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Above is the headline used in the first copy of the 1937 edition of *The Stoutonia*. It may not be politically correct, but it is darn funny. Never fear, freshman, next year you'll laugh about it too.

Spring decision is out, ROTC is in

By Lindsey Schuldt
News Editor

Despite the decision made last spring, the Reserve Officers' Training Corps (ROTC) is on the University of Wisconsin-Stout campus, at least for a trial year.

"I want to make it clear that we did not yield to external political pressure in changing this position," said Chancellor Charles Sorensen.

In the spring of 2005 UW-Stout voted against allowing the ROTC on campus due to their "Don't Ask, Don't Tell" policy regarding sexual orientation. However, there were several major factors that were unknown at the time of the decision.

"I misunderstood both the interpretation of the federal law and the fact the Board of Regents had made a decision on ROTC in 1989," said Sorensen.

The Board of Regents policy states that the ROTC will be allowed on UW campuses and the UW system would work internally with the Army to change the "Don't Ask, Don't Tell" policy. Today, the policy still stands as it was.

There is also a federal law, the Solomon Act of 1994, that states it is illegal to prohibit recruitment for the government. By not allowing ROTC on

campus, UW-Stout would be violating the Solomon Act by prohibiting their recruitment on our campus.

Violation of this federal law creates the possibility of federal grant money being taken away from UW-Stout.

"Chancellor Sorensen's intention and commitment to diversity are exemplary," said Wisconsin senator Sheila Harsdorf. "Stout can continue to

uphold its diverse and tolerant environment while not excluding the military from campus."

Not everyone agrees with her position.

"What about those lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender students (LGBT) that want to be involved in the program?" said Ashley Groshek, former president of Out at Stout, an

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Fight ends in stabbing

Six individuals are stabbed at local bar

By Lindsey Schuldt
News Editor

An altercation at a local bar this summer caused the nonfatal stabbings of six individuals, several of which were University of Wisconsin-Stout students.

On July 17 at 2:16 a.m., the Menomonie Police Department and Menomonie Fire Department were called to Off Broadway (OB), because of a fight that broke out between a group of students from Menomonie and a group of young adults from the Twin Cities.

"We never established a motive," said David Pellet, the investigator assigned to the case.

Six people had serious wounds although none of them were life-threatening. One was flown from Menomonie to Luther Hospital in Eau Claire, while another was taken by ambulance to Luther. Another victim was

taken by ambulance to Sacred Heart Hospital in Eau Claire.

Out of the remaining three that were stabbed, two were treated in Menomonie at Myrtle Worth Hospital and were released the same evening, while the last individual was taken by ambulance to Regions Hospital in the Twin Cities.

No arrests were made at the scene of the crime, however Joshua W. Greer, 22, of Crystal, Minn., was charged with Disorderly Conduct for his behavior at the Menomonie hospital. He was taken to Dunn County Jail and was released later that evening.

On July 26, Menomonie Police issued a citation of arrest, charging Anthony Len Greer, 22, of Crystal Minn., with two felonies due to the stabbings.

A. Greer was charged with Substantial Battery and Recklessly Causing Injury.

Administrators step down

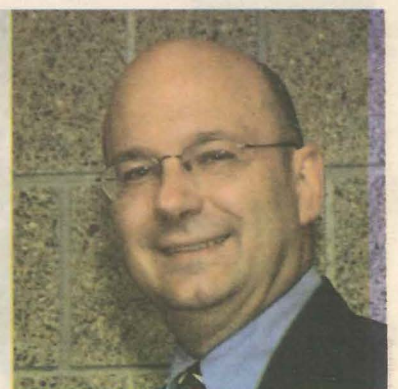
By Lindsey Schuldt
News Editor

With one retiring and the other going back to teaching, former Executive Director of University Relations John Enger and former Provost Robert Sedlak both left the current administration this fall.

"John is the senior public relations officer in the UW System," said Chancellor Charles Sorensen. "John has been dedicated, loyal and effective and we will miss his leadership."

Enger helped to do a lot of the behind the scenes research for legal issues as well as dealing with the media.

"I have worked for this institution for 36 years and I can honestly say I have had one of the best jobs I can imagine," said Enger. "It has truly been a pleasure to work with the many dedicated professionals that I have encountered in the press. Thank you for your support and confidence."



submitted photos

John Enger (left) and Robert Sedlak (right) will be missed by the UW-Stout administration.

Enger's deputy director, Ryan Wilson, will become the primary contact for questions that would have been directed towards Enger.

Sedlak, who was not only the Provost, but also the vice chancellor for academic and student affairs, wanted to step down so that he could return to being a professor.

"Bob has made many positive contributions to this institution and he will be great...

in the classroom," said Sorensen.

Sedlak has been a part of the UW-Stout faculty since 1983 and went from being tenured professor to working his way up the administration.

Taking his place will be Julie Furst-Bowe.

"Dr. Furst-Bowe is an extremely successful higher education professional who will provide strong, visionary leadership for the university," said Sorensen.

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Weather

Monday 79 / 61
Scattered T-Storms

Friday 80 / 59
PM Showers

Tuesday 64 / 50
Scattered T-Storms

Saturday 85 / 64
Isolated T-Storms

Wednesday 71 / 51
Showers

Sunday 81 / 59
Partly Cloudy

Thursday 69 / 55
Partly Cloudy



Citations for September

- 9 Citations for 1st Offense Underage Drinking (UAD)
- 1 Citation for 2nd Offense UAD
- 1 Citation for Littering
- 1 Citation for Throwing really Hard Objects
- 2 Criminal Charges- Damage to Property
- 1 Criminal Charge- Disorderly Conduct

Missed the Toilet

On Sept. 4 a student called the police to report that another student was found in his dorm in South Hall urinating on his property. The subject was intoxicated and did not know where he was. The subject did not receive any citations, but was asked to pay for the damage done to the other student's property.

Duck and Cover

At 2 a.m. on Aug. 30 an officer observed suspicious activity near the east side of Harvey Hall. He observed two white males in the bushes ducking down when he drove by. Officers checked the area but did not locate anyone.

Wiped Clean

On Aug. 26 an officer arrived at Williams Stadium for a complaint of vandalism in the 2nd floor men's restroom. Two paper towel holders were on the floor. It appeared that the holders were ripped off the wall. No suspects have been found.

Run Forrest, Run

On Aug 14 at 12:34 a.m. two officers were on foot pursuit of a subject on the run. The subject was escorted to the ground near Antrim-Froggatt Hall. The subject resisted arrest by placing his arms under his body. When asked by the officer to stop resisting arrest, the subject refused. The subject was sprayed with pepper spray in the facial area and brought to the Dunn County Jail.

Poopy Mess

On Aug. 15 an officer arrived at the Tennis courts for a report of vandalism. A grounds keeper observed at 6:30 a.m. that a portable toilet was tipped over and damaged. There are no suspects.

North campus revival

By Lindsey Schuldt
News Editor

When a guest stays in a suite, they expect much more than just an average overnight stay. At the University of Wisconsin-Stout, when a student lives in one of the new suites in Red Cedar Hall, they get exactly what they expect: more than the ordinary.

The long awaited residence halls on north campus have 75 suites that can hold up to 296 students. All of the suites have single bedrooms, a kitchenette, a living room and their own bathroom facilities.

Instead of the keys used to get into all other residence halls on campus, Red Cedar has card access for the outside door as well as the suite door. A regular key is used for the single room door and the mailbox.

Another convenience of the suites is that the bathrooms are divided into three sections, a shower room, toilet room and a prepping room so that three to four people can get ready at the same time.

The suites were taken quickly after sign-ups last winter and after seeing all of the added luxuries Red Cedar entails; it may be hard to get students to live on south campus again.



Brad Birling/Stoutonia

Red Cedar Hall, the new residence hall on north campus, has many luxuries that others halls do not provide.

ROTC / on campus

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organization designed for LGBT students.

"A rule like that makes LGBT students feel immoral, like they're doing something wrong for being who they are, it's bogus," said Groshek.

Even though there was a struggle to get the program onto the UW-Stout campus, ROTC will be here long enough to at least take a trial run.

"I'm just happy to be here," said Scott Bolstad, one of the UW-Stout recruiters for the program.

On Thursday, Sept. 8, the first two recruits will take

their oath at 3:00 p.m. in 290 Micheels Hall. There are twelve more students already entered in the program.

For information on the ROTC program, call Bolstad at 232-5629 or 232-5631. The office is located in the communications and technology building, room 140. Recruiters are there from 8 a.m. until 5 p.m.

"We did not do a very good job of looking carefully at the issues," said Sorensen. "ROTC is now here, the individuals in charge are excellent professionals and I think they will play a positive role on campus."

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Changing the college experience



The Stoutonia Staff Columnist

Well, here we are again. Getting back into the swing of things. But this year, as with any, some things are a little different.

Maybe one of the most obvious of these changes is the so-called "First Year Experience," which is supposed to enhance the academic success of first year students.

How are students supposed to experience what college is really like by participating in things such as intramural sports and study groups with only other first year students?

What about mingling with upperclassmen to find out where your classes are, where to hang out on campus or even where the good parties are? Yes, even the freshmen will party. It's college.

There are supposed to be upperclassmen around. Even

if they are just there, not even for you to ask questions to, that's just how college is.

What happens when you are walking to class but aren't sure where to go? Who are you going to ask?

Chances are you left to go to class with other members of your residence hall, and since most of south campus is composed of new students, you can't be sure that anyone else knows either.

Freshmen already travel in large groups when they don't all live together, now we are just making it easier for them to do this.

When this subject was brought up at *The Stoutonia* meeting this week, someone mentioned that diversity was one of the reasons why they chose to come to UW-Stout.

It was a place where

it was easy to meet other students who had the same interests as you, but weren't necessarily in the same year and or the same major.

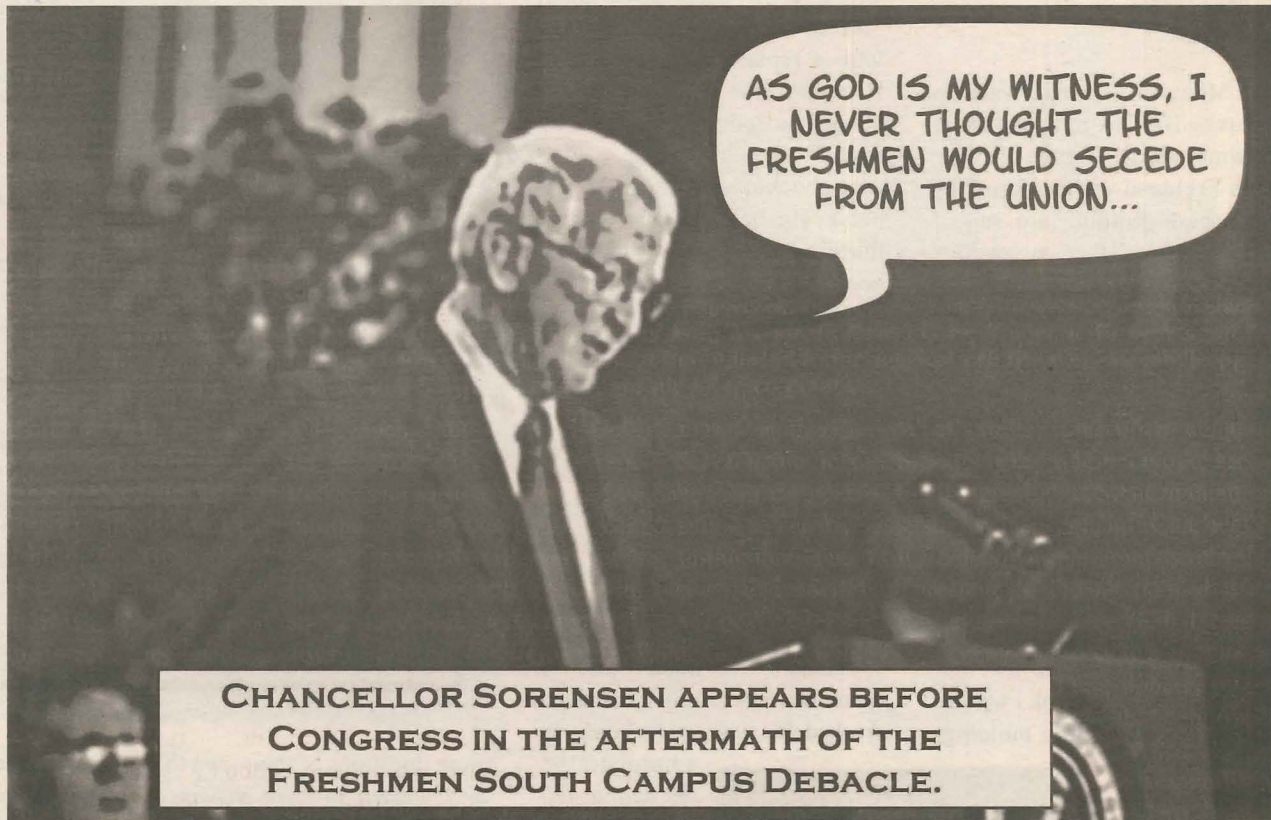
And now look where we are. What is happening to our diversity? There's rumor that in the not-too-distant future incoming students will be grouped in the dorms by their major. How is this

a good idea? Sure you will have someone right there if you need help with something from a class within your major, but how hard is it to ask someone when you are in class?

It's already hard enough meeting people on campus outside your major. A lot of the classes we go to are classes needed for our major

anyway. So who wants to only see people from their major almost all the time?

Most of us want to meet some new, different people. Isn't that part of what college is all about? It's a new place where you should be experiencing different things and meeting new people. And it's okay if those people aren't just like you.



CHANCELLOR SORENSSEN APPEARS BEFORE CONGRESS IN THE AFTERMATH OF THE FRESHMEN SOUTH CAMPUS DEBACLE.

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Some tips for freshmen



Steve Tietz Columnist

This week marks the start of the 2005-2006 school year and mine has been marred with many disappointments including the arrival of fall. Sure the foliage is captivating and it's a welcomed break from the heat and humidity (well not just yet) but to steal the words of the great comedian Lewis Black, f**k fall.

However, fall does share one other thing in common with school, they are both an enigma. Nobody can explain why fall torments us with the possibility of cool weather and then in the same day hits us with sweat drenching humidity; it would appear that there is no proper dress code for fall, as that nothing can prepare you for its relentless button hooking. For many, school may appear to have the same qualities.

The freshman class has arrived and we might as well have tattooed their foreheads with "I'm new here," because they're easily spotted just about anywhere they go by their laptop backpacks, cell

phones with home on speed dial and their inability to do anything without their entire floor holding their hand.

Although, this is not much to say as the rest of us can probably fondly recall our first days on campus with the same awkwardness and disillusionment in mind. With this thought in tow I will attempt to offer some pointers to our new classmates and future leaders of chaos.

1. Lose the backpack and the keys around the neck. Be the first to strike out as an individual because individuality is the only thing that is going to carry you through this place.

2. Remember school is an enigma, we can't explain it and we can't understand it, but we know where it might lead us.

3. Stick to what you know to be you and leave no room for corruption.

4. Parties will come and go but the opportunity to succeed and be great is usually bestowed upon us only once.

5. Forget about what you don't have and remember what you do have.

School affords us the opportunity to succeed, but that chance at greatness can easily be blinded by the prospects of unbridled fun and freedom. I may or may not have made any sense in this article but then again, do I have to?



Mari Rose Columnist

This summer, I went on a weeklong camping trip that left me with a huge sunburn on my back and poison ivy all over my body. I'm still dealing with the aftereffects of the trip, but I take those as a reminder of the fun I had.

While I'm still trying to figure out how I got the poison ivy, I'm also proud of how active I was while I was there. To be honest I'm kind of surprised I'm not worse off than I am. I came through the experience feeling stronger and more sure of myself than I did before.

As I get back to college, I can't help but think about what people do for fun around here. Sure, the University of Wisconsin-Stout tends to be known as a drinking and party college, but let's face it, any college tends to be known as that.

My only experience with getting completely smashed was when my older brother forced me to go out with him and his friends around my 21st birthday. I can't say I really enjoyed it that much. I prefer having my

fun and remembering it too.

When I look at those who only speak of having fun by getting completely smashed via alcohol and drugs, my main emotion is pity. Do they have nothing else within their daily life that brings them happiness or pride? Anyone has the ability to make their own happiness, no drugs required. To me the answer lies within one simple word: hobbies.

At least by following a hobby there's something to show for it. A sport hobby lets you gain strength and endurance and lets you socialize within a team. Craft hobbies let you create a physical object that you can feel pride in finishing. Then there are activity hobbies that range from reading a book series to watching movies with friends.

The point of a hobby is to give you something you can actively pursue on your own or with others to make yourself happy. There are dozens of clubs and organizations here at Stout anyone can get involved with.

I challenge everyone reading this article to pursue a hobby this year. It can be anything. Join a club. Be active. Find ways to make your homework assignments (gasp) fun. Start to look into an activity that looks interesting to you.

The sky is the limit. Reach for it.

Do hobbies, not drugs

Campus names

By Katie Triphan
Columnist

Many of you may walk up "Harvey Hill" to go to classes in Bowman Hall, Harvey Hall or even Frykland without knowing who these buildings are named after. Besides the university's founder, James Huff Stout, the name Harvey is probably the most touted name on campus. Then there are all those dorm names like Fleming, Wigen and Milnes. Who is Micheels, Jarvis, Johnson or Merle Price?

With it being freshman move-in week, I will give new students a bit of information about the buildings that will house them and in which they will be educated for the next four or five years. This week I will introduce the academic buildings and next week the dorms.

The first academic building that needs mention is the infamous Harvey Hall. I think it's basically impossible to attend Stout and graduate without attending at the very least a class or two in Harvey Hall.

Lorenzo Dow Harvey came to Stout to head the school in 1903, back when Stout was a manual training school. He was the school's very first president (now called Chancellor). Though he had a reputation for being a disciplinarian, Harvey was very respected and was hand-picked by Mr. Stout himself. Harvey gave up higher paying jobs to head Stout's young manual training school and remained at Stout until his death in 1922.

Then there is the oldest structure on campus: Bowman Hall. The clock tower building is named for Clyde A. Bowman who came to Stout in 1919 and was an administrator of the industrial education division.

Upon Harvey's death, Bowman served as temporary president until a replacement was found. Bowman was well known for being exceptionally organized (except for his office which was chockfull of stacks of papers). He believed that everything a person does should be accomplished through the use of charts, a concept which was deemed "Bowmanology" by his students. Bowman retired in 1953 as dean emeritus.

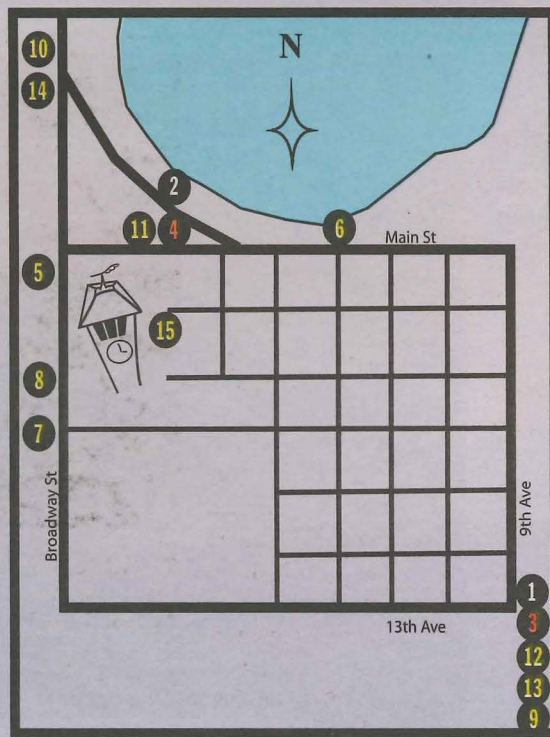
Just south of Bowman and Harvey we have Frykland Hall, which is named for the strict Lieutenant Colonel and former president of Stout, Verne C. Frykland. Though he was appointed as President in 1945, Frykland's life wasn't just a quick success. Before Frkyland worked his way up to being an

administrator, he had a terrible speech impediment and disciplined himself to overcome the impediment without any coaching. While he was a student at the Stout Institute he also had to overcome

a serious illness and financial problems that almost forced him to withdraw. As president, Frykland led Stout through a tough transitional period as veterans returned home from World War II and enrollment dramatically increased.

Micheels Hall is also named after a former university president. William J. Micheels became president in 1961 during a period of radical change. Micheels introduced many extreme ideas including eliminating final examination week, which proved quite successful. Another idea he introduced didn't experience the same success: "human encounter week." Students were given the week off from classes to ex-

Places within walking distance from campus



Groceries

1. Lammer's
6am-Midnight Daily
2. Menomonie Market Co-op
M-F: 9am-8pm/Sa: 9am-7pm
Su: 10am-7pm

Pharmacies

3. Erikson's Family Pharmacy
M-F: 9am-8pm
Sa 9am-5:30pm*
Su 10am-5pm**
Pharmacy hours: *3pm, **1pm
4. Medicine Shoppe
M-F: 8am-6pm/Sa: 9am-1pm

Restaurants

5. Acoustic Cafe
M-Th: 8am-9pm
F: 8am-10pm/Sa: 9am-10pm
Su: 9am-9pm
6. Burger King
Su-Th: 6am-11pm
F-Sa: 6am-1am
7. Dairy Queen
10:30am-9:30pm Daily

8. Domino's Pizza
Su-W: 11am-2pm
Th-Sa: 11am-3am
9. El Patio
M-Th: 11am-9pm
F: 11am-10pm
Sa: Noon-10pm
Su: Noon-9pm
10. Fortune Cookie
M-Sa: 11am-9pm
Su: 4pm-9pm
11. Jeff & Jim's Pizza
Su-T: 10:30am-Midnight
W-Th: 10:30am-2am
F-Sa: 10:30am-3am
12. Kingdom Buffet
M-Sa: 10:30am-10pm
Su: 11am-9:30pm
13. Papa Murphy's Pizza
Su-Th: 11am-9pm
F-Sa: 11am-9:30pm
14. Subway
9am-11pm Daily
15. That Mexican Place
T-F: 7am-9pm/Sa: Noon-9pm

Illustration by Renee Currington

plore questions of their own that they wished to have answered. Though some students did use this time for what was intended; as you can guess, many students abused this opportunity and used it to party all week, likely exploring such questions as "where is the keg at?" As a result, this program had to be abandoned.

Jarvis Hall is named after John A. Jarvis who came to Stout as an assistant professor of electricity and mathematics. He eventually went on to replace Clyde Bowman as dean of industrial education in 1952. While Micheels was incapacitated due to illness, Jarvis served as acting president. He was considered a national leader in industrial and vocational education and published many books and articles on the subjects. He retired in 1973 as vice president for academic affairs and professor emeritus.

McCalmont Hall, located

across the street from the Memorial Student Center is the namesake of Mary McCalmont who taught at Stout for forty years in the science and chemistry departments. McCalmont began teaching at Stout in 1912 and retired in 1952. While at Stout, she was an advisor to the YWCA and the science club, and gave academic and social council to countless students. She remained actively involved at Stout many years after her retirement.

The Merle M. Price Commons had me curious, as I hadn't even a vague idea of who Mr. Price was. This is unfortunate because it turns out that during his service to Stout, Merle Price was one of those rare people whose service affected the lives of students significantly. He joined the faculty in 1929 and later became the dean of students. He was largely involved in forming Stout's modern student government known as the SSA, and served

as advisor of the government for many years. He is also credited with opening the first student center on campus. He was very conscientious about students needs and worked to develop a good relationship with them. In fact, he could often be found in the student center playing pinochle with students and loved to tell stories. After 42 years of service, Price retired.

Last but not least, Ray C. Johnson is for whom the Johnson Fieldhouse is named. Johnson held several positions during his service to Stout including physical education instructor and athletic director. When demonstrating swimming ability was a prerequisite for graduation from Stout, Johnson often bragged, "No Stout graduate has ever drowned." Johnson retired in 1969 as professor emeritus.

Now when you walk around campus searching for classrooms in various buildings you can think things like, "Oh, the Price Commons, Merle Price was the guy who started the SSA," or "Micheels Hall, William Micheels was the guy who abolished final exam week." Hey, by the way, whatever happened to that?



Verne C. Frykland



Merle M. Price

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The 411

September 8
to September 15

Thursday, Sept. 8

>The Hangups and Friends Like These, Pawn Patio, 8 p.m., Free
>Pat McGurdy and C. Gibbs, Stones Throw, 10 p.m., \$7.
>Poetry Slam, Higher Grounds Coffee House, 7:30 p.m., Free.
>Singer/Songwriter Night: Jon Sunde and Ian Jacoby, House of Rock, 9 p.m., Free.

Friday, Sept. 9

>Euforquestra + Bulldogs, Stones Throw, 10 p.m., \$3.
>Babycorn + The Space Rangers, House of Rock, 10 p.m., \$4

Saturday, Sept. 10

>2nd Annual Menomonie Idol Contest, Pioneer Grill & Saloon, check-in 1 p.m., singing 3 p.m., Registration Fee \$25.
>Yeshuapolooza, Wilson Park Band Shell, 12 p.m., Free.

Sunday, Sept. 11

>Plaid Goat + The Jim Pullman Band + Insidious Rays, The Stones Throw, 10 p.m., free.

Monday, Sept. 12

>Recycled Percussion, Great Hall, 8 p.m., \$6 for students, \$8 for staff, \$10 for public.

Tuesday, Sept. 13

>Maggi, Pierce, and EJ + Jeff White, House of Rock, 9 p.m., \$5.

Wednesday, Sept. 14

>No events scheduled.

Thursday, Sept. 15

>Comedy: Dan Adhoot, Pawn Patio, 8 p.m., Free.

Have anything to add to the Campus Calendar?
Send suggestions to

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E3 showcases new games



Ami Kriho
Entertainment Writer

The E3 conference, hailed as the ultimate event for all segments of the interactive industry, takes place over three days every spring.

This year's conference holds special meaning for me since I was able to experience it firsthand for the first time. Aside from being able to play a lot of cutting-edge video and computer games, I didn't quite know what to expect.

Before E3 actually began, Microsoft, Nintendo and Sony—the "big three"—held press conferences. I was only able to attend Nintendo's, as Microsoft and Sony were a bit stricter with the people they let in.

Nintendo's press conference was disappointing. I was expecting news on the Revolution, Nintendo's upcoming platform, but there was little said concerning it. For Nintendo, this seems to be the year of the DS. That's not a bad thing, but it was obvious by the audience's reaction that they were expecting more.

When E3 finally opened the next day it was overwhelming, even chaotic.

Big screens and bright lights vied for attention with all the new games. And there were plenty of new games there, more than humanly possible to play in the three day conference.

Even being there from open to close all three days, I still

couldn't see everything.

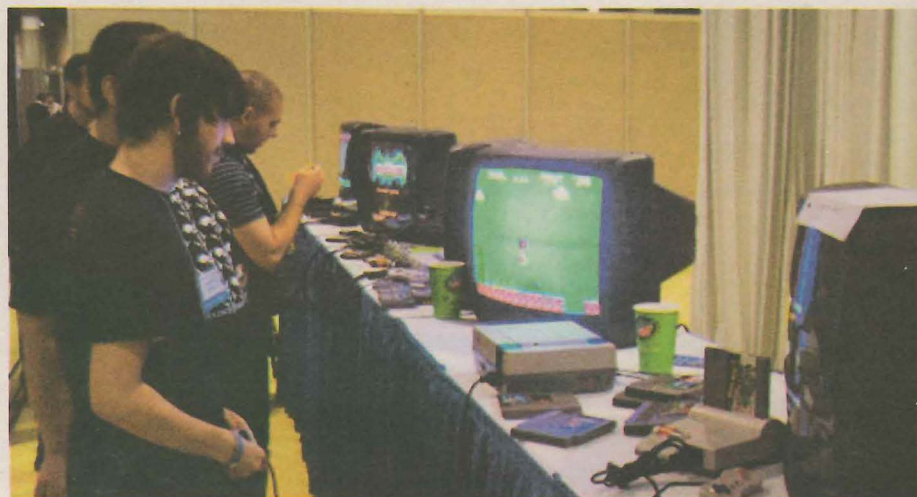
The first thing I hit was the Nintendo booth. To parallel with their press conference, Nintendo's booth housed mostly DS games, with "Nintendogs" and "Mario Kart DS" being the most popular games.

There was also a demo download station where gamers could download and play demos of the games "Electroplank-ton," "Meteos," "Polarium" and a "Zelda" trailer and gallery.

But the most popular station in the Nintendo booth (and probably all of E3) was "The Legend of Zelda: Twilight Princess." The latest installment in the beloved "Zelda" series adopts a creepier, more realistic mood. Even getting there an hour before E3 opened and literally charging to the line, I still had to wait 45 minutes before I could play it. And yes, it was worth it.

The Sony booth was adjacent to Nintendo's, but nothing there really impressed me. Of course the most popular showing was a theater presentation of the PS3. The PS3 showcased environments that were too good to be true, literally. As I later discovered, the PS3 wasn't displaying the demos on its own chip or hardware.

I didn't spend much time at the Microsoft booth, but like Sony's, the main focus was on their new platform, the Xbox 360. Nothing else stood out. Microsoft's booth,



The History of Gaming booth enabled E3 patrons to experience electronic entertainment from the early days of gaming. Featured classic platforms included the original NES and the Magnavox Odyssey.

like Sony's, concentrated mostly on its next generation system, which tries hard to tighten the gap between computers and consoles.

Theater presentations are another part of E3. They take place behind closed doors or in separate buildings all together, and some of them forbid cameras. These games are usually the ones still in their beta form and aren't playable. The two I saw, "Alan Wake" and "The Witcher," were nothing short of gorgeous and are definitely worth looking in to when they are released next year.

Aside from games, there were other booths that housed small developers, tournaments and gaming accessories. One booth that I particularly enjoyed was the Ultimate Gaming Chair booth. At first it seemed a little odd to play "Halo 2" with two chair-arm joysticks instead of a controller, but after leaning back in the chair it felt almost as natural.

There was also a History of Gaming booth, showcasing the evolution of gaming since the

Magnavox Odyssey. Even if you haven't played a system from the 80s or prior, just looking at them will make you appreciate what games have become over the years.

Aside from "Alan Wake," "Twilight Princess" and "The Witcher," other games that I saw or played that are worthy of note include: "The New Super Mario Bros.," "Nintendogs," "DDR Mario Mix," "Soul Caliber III," "Sigma Star Saga," "Heroes of Might and Magic V," "Myst V: End of Ages," "We Love Katamari," "Mu," "Wizard of Funk" and "Hellgate." Of course, these games are only a sampling of what was there.

Other than that, the experience of E3 can't really be summarized in this space. If you wish to go to next year's conference, which is already scheduled for May 10 through 12, bring your gaming face, pack very lightly (you'll be getting a lot of free stuff) and be prepared to walk around a lot.

And of course, have fun playing and previewing games that won't be out for another few months.

Yeshuapolooza returns to Menomonie



Kyle Kingston
Entertainment Editor

Yeshuapolooza, the live outdoor Jesus College-Rock Festival, returns to Menomonie for its eighth year.

The festival will consist of six bands and a guest speaker. In addition, there will be a food table furnished by The Blind Munchies Coffeehouse, including a "Pit - Grill" where a hog will be roasting.

Other events include dirtbag circles, live video and radio, caricatures and henna tattoos.

Funds generated at the show will go directly to benefit Source of Light Ministries in India.

A Yeshuapolooza first-timer,

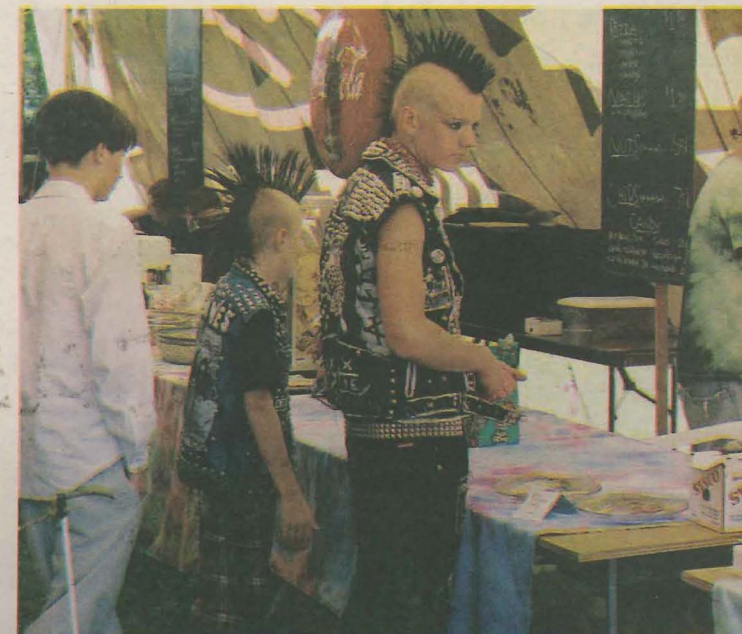
Flatfoot 56 are being touted as an "instant crowd favorite."

Venturing where few punk bands dare to go, they incorporate bagpipes and mandolin with a "raw" punk sound. The resulting music is unique.

Festival goers are advised to bring a rubber sword and brush up on their pirate accents.

Taking stage for the first time in Menomonie is the posh rock group, Fabrik. Also scheduled to appear singer/songwriter Mitch McVicker and his band, Brad Layer and Cobra Joe. Mitch has been recording for ten years and has grown into an accomplished and nationally known artist. Mitch and his band put on a show full of variety, including harmonica and percussion done on pots and pans.

Other bands appearing at Yeshuapolooza this year include metal group EverReady, pop/alternative quintet Cofield and



Patrons of last year's Yeshuapolooza Festival helped enable the building of a church in India.

contemplative sounding No Small Wonder.

The event is set for Sept. 10 in Wilson Park and will run from

noon to 10 p.m.

For further information call (715) 235-9300 or e-mail mail_jfb@yahoo.com.



Chicks
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Both Wonka movies worthy of praise



Katie Triphan
Entertainment Writer

Who couldn't love Gene Wilder's performance in the 1970s classic "Willy Wonka & the Chocolate Factory"?

Like many people, I grew up a huge fan of the movie and I'll admit I was a little worried when I heard that a remake was in the works.

Remakes seemed to be the fad of this summer, "Bewitched," "Dukes of Hazzard" and "Herbie: Full Loaded" being a few examples.

If Roald Dahl's classic was to be remade, it might as well have been this summer.

Fortunately, it was Tim Burton who happened to take an interest in the project, which eased my fears a little bit.

Although the film did turn out to be a box office hit, which to me usually suggests quantity over quality, the movie still managed to be about more than making money.

The biggest question everyone had about Tim Burton's "Charlie & the Chocolate Factory" is two-part. First, could the remake be better than the original? Second, was a remake necessary?

The answer to both questions is no. However, I would say that moviegoers aren't worse off for having Tim Burton's adaptation. Though the original did not beg for a remodeling, Tim Burton's "Charlie and the Chocolate Factory" in no way replaces the original. Instead, it is inventive enough so that there is room on the shelf to keep both of these movies side by side, each having earned its own separate success.

Both movies picked the best possible actor for Willy Wonka available for their day—who could imagine Mel Stuart's 1971 version without Gene Wilder? He is illusive and then on the flipside chipper just like the overall feel of the movie.

The same goes for the present-day selection of Johnny Depp. I had heard that Marilyn Manson was the first choice, but had to decline due to schedule conflicts.

While Manson would have added a lot of scary freak potential to the role of Wonka, Johnny Depp has the mysteriousness, unpredictability

and weirdness that the character needs.

I appreciate the fact that Burton decided to adhere more strictly to the book, such as keeping the origins of the Oompa Loompas and the squirrel scene with Veruca (both of which were changed in the 1970s film). He kept the story a bit on the dark side instead of just tailoring it to be a movie for little kids.

However, I did not much care for the added bit of Wonka's paranoia of parents and his discomfort with families.

This seemed awkward and lamely worked into the story in spots. It was unnecessary and added nothing to the film. It also took away from Wonka's credibility.

Understandably, Wonka is supposed to come across as sheltered, but he is still supposed to be this amazing candy maker that children and adults alike look up to.

Giving him complexes, though they help make him more human, takes a bit of the magic out of his character.

Mel Stuart's version has its



<http://www.noelheikinen.com>

The quirky Willy Wonka in both his incarnations. Gene Wilder (left) brings wit, charm and just a little bit of creepiness to the magical candymaker. Johnny Depp (right) mainly brings a great deal of creepiness.



<http://www.thefilmasyllum.com>

merits and demerits as well. Stuart's movie did a better job at maintaining Wonka's magical status. Wonka is so witty throughout the film that you can't wait to hear what he will say next.

Gene Wilder's Wonka evades questions when he is wrong or contradicts himself, making it obvious that he isn't a superhuman genius, yet this is not overdone.

The special effects, of course, are primitive compared to what Burton was able to pull off.

What's more, some of the songs Stuart worked into his movie are totally forgettable. Some of them, such as "Cheery up Charlie," were downright unbearable. That part of the movie is best forgotten. In the end, all I can conclude is that the two movies really shouldn't be compared but should be enjoyed separately for their different strengths.

And remember Wonka's words of wisdom, "Invention, my dear friends, is 93% perspiration, 6% electricity, 4% evaporation and 2% butterscotch ripple."

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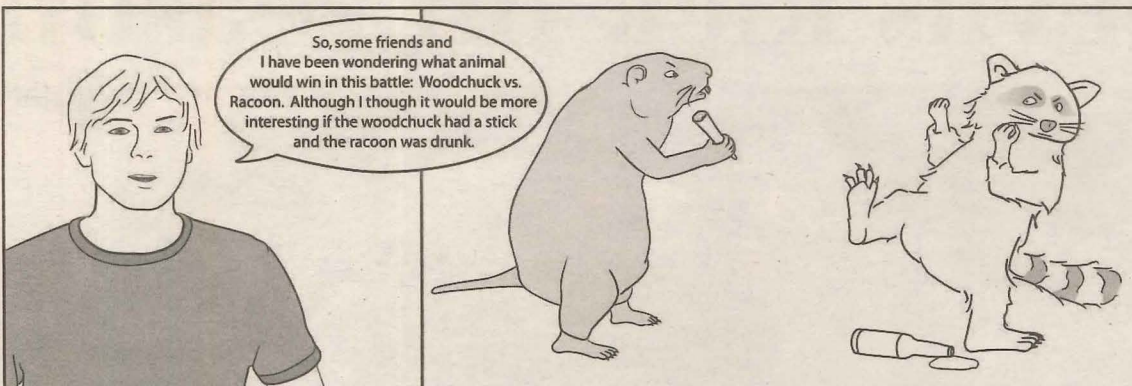
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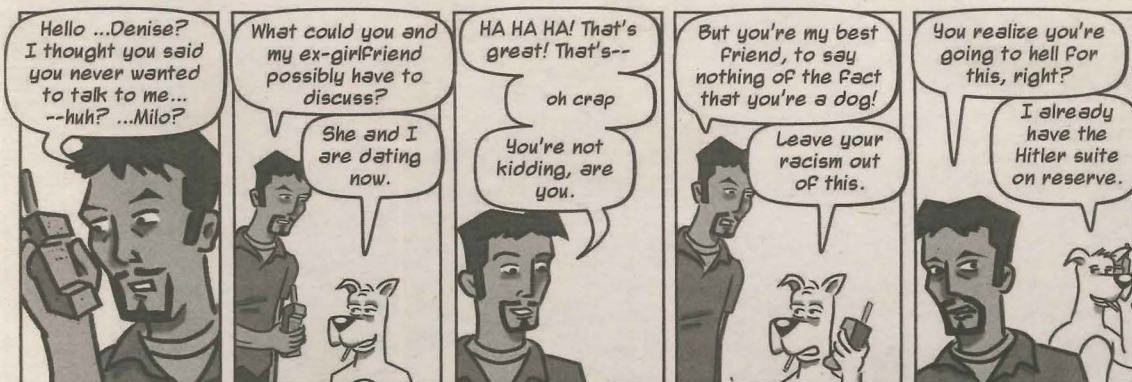
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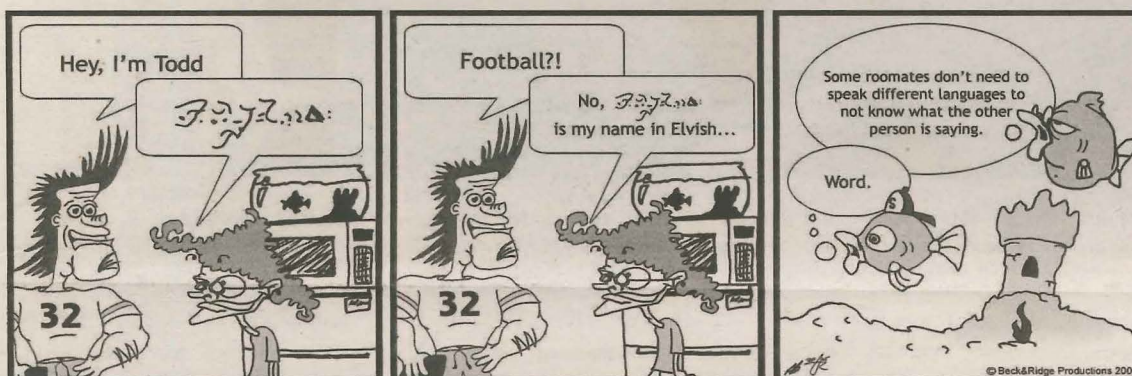
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The Stoutonia staff would like to recognize all faculty and staff for the awards they have won.

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The Reinhold and Borghild Eng Dahlgren Professorships were awarded to:

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and

Dr. Martin Ondrus, College of Arts and Sciences

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Dr. Steven Deckelman, College of Arts and Sciences

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Mr. Kenneth Neuburg, College of Technology, Engineering and Management

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Dr. Katherine Lui, College of Technology, Engineering and Management

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The Merle Price Academic Staff Award of Excellence was awarded to:

Dr. Robert Zeidel, College of Arts and Sciences

The Merle Price Faculty Award of Excellence was awarded to:
Dr. Charles Bomar, College of Arts and Sciences

Outstanding Teaching and Service Awards

The Outstanding Teaching Awards were awarded to:

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The Outstanding Service Office Award was awarded to:
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The Outstanding Graduate Faculty Award was awarded to:
Dr. Julia Champe, College of Human Development

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The Outstanding Researcher Award was awarded to:
Dr. Robert Zeidel, College of Arts and Sciences

The Nelva G. Runnalls Research Support Recognition Award was awarded to:
The College of Arts and Sciences

BLUE DEVIL
SCOREBOARDFOOTBALL (1-0)
49-14 FINAL

The Blue Devils trounced Upper Iowa 49-14 in the season opener on Sept. 3.

Next Game:
Sept. 10 UW-Platteville at Menomonie



CROSS COUNTRY

Both teams competed at the UW-Stout Jamie Block Alumni/Intra-squad Meet on Saturday Sept. 3.

TENNIS
(2-0)

Stout 8, Edgewood 1
Stout 7, Beloit College 2

The Blue Devils earned two wins at the Edgewood College Triangular Saturday Sept. 3.

SOCCER (1-0-1)
3-1 FINAL

Kelly Stolarczyk scored a goal and two assists as the Blue Devils topped Concordia 3-1 on Saturday.

VOLLEYBALL (12-3)
3-2 FINAL

Bethel University defeated the Blue Devils 3-2 Tuesday in St. Paul, Minnesota.

Next Match:
Sept. 9-10
Augsburg Tournament



Blue Devils kick off season

By Bryan Horwath
Sports Writer

For the 2005 version of the UW-Stout football team, the question will be whether the Blue Devils can maneuver some addition by subtraction.

Subtraction: the loss of one of the most productive and explosive UW-Stout quarterbacks ever in four-year starter and All-American Nick Ohman.

Addition: what the team hopes will be a bump in the win column for a squad that was unsatisfied after finishing 5-4 overall and 3-4 in the Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Conference a year ago.

After one game, things are looking up in Blue Devil country as UW-Stout handled Upper Iowa University, an NCAA Division II school, with ease in a 49-14 victory last Saturday at Williams Stadium to open the season.

To continue its winning ways, coach Todd Strop knows his team must find some consistent playmakers on both sides of the ball to compete in one of the toughest Division III conferences in the nation.

The Blue Devils no longer can count on Ohman giving opposing defenses fits and while Strop has been asked the question a million times, let's make it one more, coach: how do you replace a guy like Ohman?

"I don't think you do replace him," Strop said. "What you have to do is make sure you have some darn good football players around [the quarterback position]. I think we have those people in place."

One player who may go a long way in deciding UW-Stout's fate this year is new signal-caller Keldric Stokes, a transfer from the since-closed Si Tanka University in Huron, S.D. The 6-foot, 225 pound senior from Michigan opened his Stout career with a bang, completing 11-of-17 passes for 182 yards and four touchdowns.

Strop also said sophomore Tanner Kattre will get snaps this



Photo Courtesy of Layne Pitt

Quarterback Keldric Stokes completed 11-of-17 passes for 182 yards Saturday September 3, as the Blue Devils dealt Upper Iowa University a 49-14 loss at Williams Stadium to kickoff the 2005 season.

year with the regular offense.

"Keldric is a guy who has some experience and he looked good in our first game," Strop said.

If the Blue Devils can find someone to get them the ball – and it looks like they just might have – the receiving crew is full of talent led by juniors John Henry Freeman (St. Louis, Mo.) and Jesse Wendt (New Auburn/Chetek).

Wendt was on the receiving end of three of Stokes' touchdown passes against Upper Iowa, while Freeman caught 4 passes for 55-yards and the speedster is expected to be UW-Stout's big-game deep threat.

The running game will be anchored by a veteran offensive line and will showcase junior Ryan Englebert (Sturgeon Bay/Southern Door) and sophomore

Andy Reese (Lodi).

Defensively, UW-Stout returns a number of players that saw extensive action last year, including linebacker Steve Schils. After recording 32 tackles in 2004, the sophomore, a product of high school power Ashwaubenon, had nine tackles against Upper Iowa.

Strop says the goal at UW-Stout is to win championships and 2005 should be no different.

"We want to win conference titles here," Strop said. "That's the goal every year. That's the bar that we have set for our program. Last year we did have some big wins, but we were too inconsistent. We want to change that this year."

Strop's first year at the helm saw wins against eventual con-

ference champion La Crosse and archrival Eau Claire, a feat that hadn't been accomplished in the same year since Stout's WIAC title year of 2000. It was also, a year of disappointments with bad losses to River Falls and White-water.

This year, the Blue Devils travel to Eau Claire, La Crosse and Stevens Point, which are all tough places to play, but with luck, it is conceivable that Strop's bunch could be playing for more than just bragging rights Oct. 29 at Memorial Stadium in La Crosse.

As Strop would be quick to point out, let's not get ahead of ourselves. First order of business is Saturday as UW-Stout hosts UW-Platteville with kickoff at 4 p.m.

A comeback is likely for Armstrong



Rachel Wick
Sports Editor

I have recently come to the crashing conclusion that it is impossible for any American sports hero to stay in the confines of retirement. Seven-time Tour de France winner Lance Armstrong appears to be the latest sports legend to step out of retirement and back into the spotlight.

The way I see it, retirement is a decision that should be given considerable thought, and once a

person has made that choice they should stick to their guns.

Lance Armstrong has far surpassed the world's expectations of victory in the face of incredible challenges. What can the man possibly feel that he has left to prove?

Armstrong hung up his bicycle this past July, after winning the Tour by a significant amount. He finished the race 4 minutes, 40 seconds ahead of Italy's Ivan Basso.

According to the Associated Press, the team's director, Johan Bruyneel, didn't choose a new team leader upon Armstrong's departure, this led many to believe that he was keeping the door open for a possible return

by Armstrong.

Although Armstrong turns 34 later this month, many cycling enthusiasts believe that he is capable of a seven-peat at next year's Tour de France. While there is little doubt that Armstrong still has what it takes to rack up additional Tour de France wins, there is one dark cloud that is following Armstrong's probable return.

On August 23, a French daily newspaper entitled L'Equipe, (which is owned by the Tour organizer), reported evidence that six of Armstrong's urine samples from his 1999 race had tested positive for a blood booster called EPO. Although the substance was banned back in

1999, there weren't any reliable tests for the booster at that time. The media has reported that one of Armstrong's motivations for returning to cycling would be to spite the French media.

I can understand that Armstrong feels the need to defend his capabilities as an athlete after the accusations, but it shouldn't play a key role in his return to racing. If Armstrong makes the decision to return he will be forced to face intense media scrutiny and will not exactly receive a positive reception from French citizens.

Attention Lance Armstrong: the love of the sport should be the only motivation to bring an athlete out of retirement.

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MISSED SIGN-UPS? BE AN ATHLETIC SUPPORTER

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Student, juvenile arrested for theft

By Lindsey Schuldt
News Editor

The University of Wisconsin-Stout had never recovered any of the laptops reported stolen: until now.

"We had someone under our

radar as a suspect, but we were unable to locate him until now," said Chad Mroczski, an investigator with the Menomonie Police Department.

On Thursday, Aug. 18, the Menomonie Police Department responded to a call that a juve-

nile may have had possession of a stolen laptop.

A UW-Stout student, who was a victim of an apartment burglary, noticed a juvenile walking through his apartment complex on Frykland Drive, with a computer that looked like the one

that had been stolen from him.

Along with his laptop that had been stolen, the student also had a game system, several games and DVD's removed from his apartment.

After seeing the juvenile with what the student believed to be stolen property, he alerted the police and asked them to come check the apartment that the juvenile had entered.

"After the burglary, the victim started to get suspicious of others in his apartment," said Mroczski.

Upon being allowed to search the juvenile's apartment, the police and investigators located the student's stolen property along with three other laptops and a digital camera. None of these items belonged to the juvenile.

The student's personal belongings were given back to him and the remaining items

were taken to the police station for further investigation.

The other laptops were checked against police records that were filed and it was found that all of the other merchandise was also stolen property. The laptops were actually UW-Stout loaner laptops that had disappeared from a separate house that was also burglarized.

These items were taken on June 18 from a student rental house in the 1300 block of Second Street West.

The juvenile along with an older UW-Stout student, had been suspects in the prior burglary. Since they were thought to be accomplices for the first burglary, police investigated further into the UW-Stout student's part in the crimes.

Additional evidence supported their theory of the two suspects working together and eventually they were both linked to the June 18 burglary.

"The case had a lot of odd turns," said Mroczski.

Both suspects were arrested and the property was taken into custody and returned to its rightful owners.

"I was very excited to hear that they found the laptops," said Sasha King, a UW-Stout staff member who works with students who have lost their laptops.

King said that out of all the laptops that have been stolen these four have been the only to be recovered.

Ice Cream Smiles



Chancellor Charles Sorensen and new Provost Julie Furst-Bowe dish up free ice cream at the Chancellor's annual Ice Cream Social. Sorensen's favorite? Vanilla ice cream with chocolate and strawberries.

Lindsey Schuldt/Stoutonia

Hurricane Relief

By Lindsey Schuldt
News Editor

In the past week Wisconsin has taken in 200 victims effected by Hurricane Katrina.

Governor Doyle has used the Wisconsin Emergency Management to arrange for over 1,000 victims affected to come to Wisconsin until they are able to go back to their homes.

Many local businesses are donating their time and talents to bring in money for other victims who have nothing.

The second annual Texas Hold 'Em tournament, sponsored by the Involvement and Leadership Center, is donating all \$5 buy-ins to the Red Cross to help with the relief efforts.

Sandy Meinsen, the community development coordinator of the University of Wisconsin-Stout will be coordinating events throughout the year to help relief efforts for victims.

Located in room 141 of the Memorial Student Center, she can assist anyone who wants to donate their time or money.

Student to speak nationally in D.C.

Amy Siegel gives a presentation on body image at Georgetown

By Kristi Wilson
News Writer

"My first boyfriend in seventh grade told me, 'if you weren't so big you would be the perfect girlfriend,'" said Amy Siegel, a senior majoring in psychology at the University of Wisconsin-Stout. "That made me think, will I ever get married? Will everyone think I'd be perfect if I wasn't so big?"

Siegel, an advocate of accepting one's self image,

was recently asked to present her music video project/speech on body image at Georgetown University in Washington D.C.

The VKP conference she will be presenting at will take place on Thursday,

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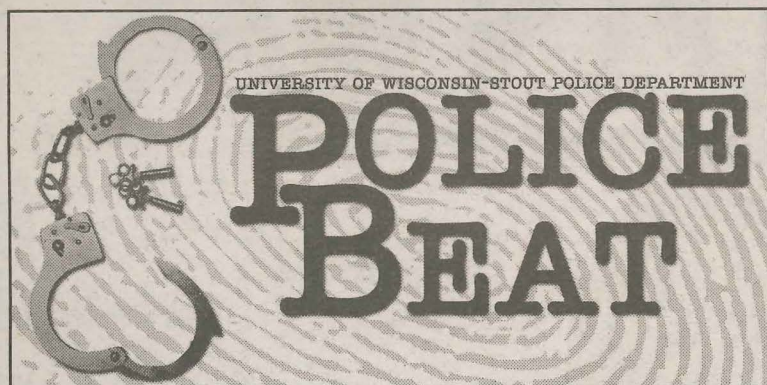
Amy Siegel wants to show youth that appearance is not everything.

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Weather

Friday 78 / 51 Mostly Sunny
Saturday 74 / 54 Partly Cloudy
Sunday 69 / 50 Scattered T-Storms
Monday 69 / 50 Partly Cloudy
Tuesday 65 / 46 Mostly Sunny
Wednesday 67 / 45 Sunny
Thursday 66 / 50 Showers



Citations for September

9 Citations for 1st Offense
Underage Drinking (UAD)
1 Citation for vandalism

Hit-and-run

On Oct. 7, a person in a car struck another car in lot 18 some time between 11 a.m. and 6 p.m. The owner of the vehicle struck does not know who would have done this to their car. There was a dent in the rear passenger side quarter panel as well as some marks on the rear bumper. The owner did not give anyone permission to damage his car.

Beer bottle shot put

On Sept. 9, an officer assisted a Dunn County officer in the M&I Bank parking lot where a male subject had been stopped after throwing a beer bottle at the M&I Bank sign. The subject was questioned as to why he threw the beer bottle.

Mysterious 911 caller

On Sept. 9, an officer was dispatched to Red Cedar Hall for a 911 hang-up from an elevator. The west elevator was on the fourth floor and the officer was unable to get it to move. The officer called the Menomonie Fire Department (MFD) to open the elevator. Upon arrival, the MFD opened the elevator and found no one inside. The officer asked the R.A. to put an out-of-service sign on the door.

Fight outside pizza place

On Sept. 9, an officer assisted MPD with a possible fight at Jeff & Jim's Pizza. One male subject was bleeding from a cut on his nose. The subject was given an ice pack and a Band-Aid from the first aid kit. Subject refused an ambulance several times during the conversation with the officer.

Screen stolen

On Sept. 9, it was reported that the blue mesh screening that was around the top of the fence in the baseball field was missing. It was taken between Sept. 2 and Sept. 6. No one had permission to take the mesh screening.

Creepy voyeur

On Sept. 10, officers responded to a report of a suspicious male at Red Cedar Hall. An anonymous caller stated that the male subject was standing near the building and pointing a finger at her when she looked out the window. The caller could not give any description of the male. The officers searched around and walked through the building. They did not locate anyone suspicious. It is unknown who the male is at this time.

Just a drunken fight

On Sept. 11, an MPD lieutenant responded to a report of a disorderly subject at the rear entrance of Off Broadway. Upon her arrival, she witnessed a fight in progress. Another officer responded to the scene to assist her. Citations were issued.

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Speaker /body

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Sept. 15 through Saturday, Sept. 17.

"Miss Siegel is just fantastic," said Anne Cross, a former professor at UW-Stout who recommended Siegel for the conference. "She's smart, she's funny and she's done great work in my classes--especially with presentations."

Along with many UW-Stout students, Siegel had to make a music video project. The project was designed to make subject matters more appealing to students. Instead of doing a term paper, classes were asked to create a video.

The video focuses on how others view one's body image and is done in a rapping style. Siegel's was one of the few chosen out of many different video submissions.

"The point of the music video project is to connect

academic work with students' interests outside the classroom--in this case, music and pop culture," said Cross.

Almost all of the presenters will be professors and faculty. Siegel will be one of the only student presenters, and Georgetown will be covering all of her costs for the round trip.

"The conference will celebrate the culmination of this five year project, which has been an important exploration in the scholarship of teaching and learning in the humanities and other disciplines," said Mattheius Oppermann, the coordinator of the conference.

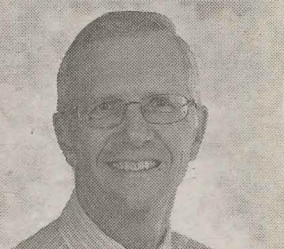
Siegel is very excited to present this weekend and hopefully to get a start on her motivational speaking career.

"I feel now, more than ever, that I need to share my story," said Siegel.

The real John Enger



The real Marty Ondrus



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Whoops: In the Sept. 8 issue of *The Stoutonia*, the picture of John Enger was incorrect; it was actually Prof. Marty Ondrus.

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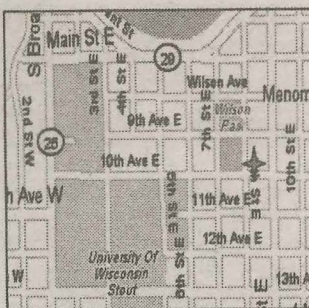
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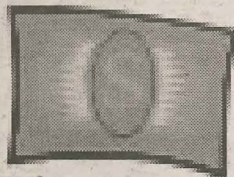
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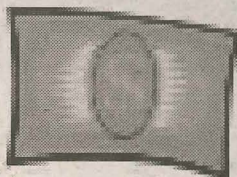


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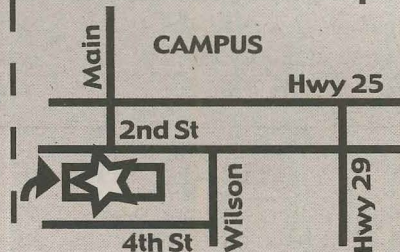
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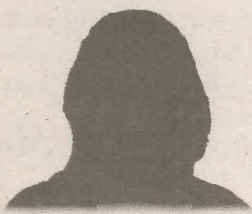
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Not so technologically advanced



Staff Editorial
The Stoutonia Staff

Does anyone remember the time when the University of Wisconsin-Stout didn't have any technology problems? It was before they had computers.

With all that technology has to offer, you wonder just how much of it is being utilized at UW-Stout. Chances are, many students had troubles with their computers today. Chances are, professors had even more problems.

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school of the 21st century, is technology enhancing our education, or hurting it? If professors don't fully understand the programs they want students to use, then how can they expect students to be able to use them?

According to the evolving UW Mission for online learning, found at www.uwsa.edu, three to five years ago, the main focus was on saving money. Then, one to three years ago, the focus switched to making money. Today, the focus is on online access and online education quality.

So, now that we have the money for the programs, the UW system is trying to make sure that we are able to use them and get the most out of them. What is being done to make sure that this goal is achieved?

Several years ago, we used Blackboard as our online learning tool to communicate with our professors about classes. Then, e-scholar was introduced, and students were supposed to use that. Now, faculty wants us to use Learn@UW-Stout.

All of these programs are similar, but how does administration expect us to get the best quality out of our education when they can't even find one quality program that gives us easy access to our classes?

The constant indecisiveness defeats the entire purpose of the UW system's



focus on online learning. This leaves us to wonder what our purpose for online learning actually is.

The way the budget is, UW-Stout is lucky to have the technology we have, along with the staff to maintain it. The problem is that not all of the faculty is able to maintain it in the classroom, which diverts from quality education.

If less time was spent fixing the problems during class, and more time is spent educating the students, then technology would not be a problem. But, until there are faculty that can either maintain the technology in class, or not use it at all, UW-Stout students are not obtaining a quality education.

It has been mentioned that there is a new computer lab in the Applied Arts build-

ing where many students are unable to log in to the computers. How much money was spent on these computers that can't even be used right now?

There is also a new lab in the English department where about half of the computers are not working. When maintenance was called to fix these computers, they asked if it was a priority.

Shouldn't it be a priority for all of the computers on campus to be working for any students that may need them? What good are these computers doing if they don't work?

Most students now have laptops so they may not need to use a computer lab. But, how many of us have experienced issues with these also? Probably most of us. How often are there problems accessing Learn@UW-Stout or e-scholar?

Many professors prepare for these possible problems by handing things out in class, even if they are posted online. Most commonly, their syllabus.

Aren't we supposed to be saving paper by using computers? It certainly doesn't seem like that is the case. It has been mentioned multiple times that professors are either handing out and posting papers online, or asking for papers to be put in a drop box and also handed in in a hard copy form.

Is this really necessary? If we can't and don't trust the computers, then why are there so many of them? Why must every new student have one? Sure, they can help make some things much easier and faster, but sometimes they're nothing more than an inconvenience.

Derrick Jensen on "industrial" education



Brian Legg
Columnist

School sucks. We've all thought this at one point or another, and yet we are all here voluntarily and are paying for it too. Why is that?

I recently read a book entitled "Walking on Water: Reading Writing and Revolution" by Derrick Jensen, which takes on that very question and poses some pretty compelling answers. In his book, Jensen lays into what he calls "industrial" education and offers his experience both as a teacher and student as evidence of its effects.

The concept of industrial

education is basically this: students are a product to be shaped and molded into obedient citizens, hard workers and active consumers.

One of Jensen's best observations from his past was sitting in school watching the second hand and praying for it to move faster. This idea of constantly looking forward to the final bell carries with us into adulthood.

Think about it.

You look forward to graduation, then to winter/summer break, then to the weekends, to pay day and finally to retirement. All the while, you are too busy to do the things you want to do, let alone question the very system that perpetuates this mindset.

This is not just some conspiracy theory void of any hard evidence. Jensen cites several

texts including congressional hearings on education. The 1888 Senate Committee on Education reported, "We believe that education is one of the principal causes of discontent of late years manifesting itself among the laboring classes."

John Dewey, an early industrial education advocate, stated, "Every teacher should realize he is a social servant set apart for the maintenance of the proper social order and the securing of the right social growth."

The Rockefeller Education board echoed this as reason for backing the compulsory education movement saying, "In our dreams...people yield themselves with perfect docility to our molding hands. The present educational conventions fade from our minds, and unhampered by tradition we work our

own good on a grateful and responsive folk."

I recommend that everyone read this book. It offers a grim assessment, but also hopeful possibilities for future systems of education. All too often we assess the current educational problems in terms of lack of funding, low test scores and so on. Perhaps we have been missing what we knew to be true as kids: that school actually sucks.

Education should not be about producing a slave working class, no matter how skilled. It should be about helping people discover who they are and develop critical thinking skills. Granted, many of us have come here to get a degree and eventually a higher paying job. However, obtaining these goals shouldn't have to come at the expense of our souls.



Letters to the Editor

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Stop Birth Control Ban

The UW Birth Control Ban will do a major disservice to the women in the UW system. It would ban health care on all UW campuses from prescribing and dispensing birth control to adult college students.

This greatly limits women's ability to access the health care services that they want and need. By banning birth control, this bill will be putting college women at risk of unintended pregnancy, and the possible

need for abortion. I thank Attorney General Lautenschlager for her opinion clearly finding this bill unconstitutional. And I am shocked this outrageous and unconstitutional bill passed the Assembly.

I urge everyone, especially those part of the UW system, to fight to stop this bill from advancing, bringing Wisconsin back to the Dark Ages.

Krista Ostrom Cozine
Madison, WI

The evolution of dating



Lindsey Schuldtt
News Editor

I'm not going to lie to you, college was originally designed to give students an education, but has evolved into an education of the opposite sex.

Going into my fourth year at the University of Wisconsin-Stout, I consider myself almost an expert on the dos and don'ts of the relationship world.

I've discovered several things you may find valuable. They include, but are not limited to, how the first date began, the evolution of rejection, the evolution of boredom and the evolution of the first date good bye.

First dates never get less awkward. Most first dates originate from the sexual tension in the air. You know what I mean.

She looks at you with those flirty eyes when you pass her, he wears an excess amount of your favorite cologne when he sits right next to you in class, naturally the hormones are raging and aren't quite sure which way they should be going. This is how the first date began.

Now you're on the date and you're feeling good. If you're a woman you've spent

the past two hours trying on every piece of clothing you own and having your friends and roommates help with your hair and make up.

If you're a man you probably just got done playing a video game, took a bath in your favorite cologne and threw on some kind of a polo shirt with khaki pants or shorts.

The man, naturally, should be picking the girl up, and if he isn't, this is how the first date ends.

So he picks you up and you do something really original, like going to a dinner. I hear Perkins is really nice this time of year.

Maybe it's not the five-star restaurant the woman got all ready for, but it's nice enough that if the man doesn't like her, he didn't spend too much money, and if the woman doesn't like him, she can tell him he's too cheap. This is how rejection evolved.

So you're seated and then it happens. Do you hear it? Nope, you don't, because no one is talking. Complete and utter silence. Crickets.

Someone at your booth has to be outgoing, and if it's not the person across from you, hopefully it's you, because your wait staff isn't going to help release all of that sexual tension you still feel.

The food comes, finally, something you can actually put in your mouth. You've probably talked about your family by now, what you're majoring in, what you like to do in your spare time,

where you're from, and, of course, all of the common friends you may share.

The checklist may go on, I'm only supplying a few ideas. Anyway, this particular point in the date, is how boredom evolved.

So the food is gone. Who pays?

There should never be any question about who pays on the first date. Here's a hint men, yes, we women, as independent creatures, do enjoy the liberty of paying for our half every now and again.

Maybe we will even pay for you, but let me remind you where you are: you're on a first date, a date which requires a second for you to get lucky, or if you're a romanticist, for you to fall in love.

Money may not buy love, but washing dishes at the end of the meal because you forgot your wallet isn't going to buy anything.

Now it's time for the end. So the man brings the woman home. At this point, many things could be happening and because of my PG rating, I'm going to choose the simplistic kiss on the cheek good-bye, or door in the face good night. These two items have created the evolution of the end of the first date.

I've just walked you through everything you already have, or will experience on a first date. So good luck, and happy hunting for that sexual tension that ultimately will help you to evolve your next first date.

Responsible president

President Bush admits lacking in funding



Michael Graney
Columnist

September 13, 2005, will go down in history as the day President George W. Bush said the buck stops here. That's correct; he finally took responsibility for an action of neptitude which has plagued his administration (bad energy policy, the whole Teri Shiavo incident, the Iraq war, the Afghanistan rebuilding effort, etc...).

He took the courageous step of admitting that the federal government's response to the recent hurricane which has devastated New Orleans could be found lacking.

However, besides the point that he has taken responsibility for something, what is really fascinating to me is how he did it. He did it during a joint press conference.

A joint press conference you say? Did he bring the now disgraced former head of FEMA in to help burden the responsibility? No.

Did he bring in local government officials? They probably have too much work to do there, unfortunately.

Well, he must have flown in the Governor of Louisiana or Mississippi? Sorry, try again.

Well, then he had the joint conference with a representative or senator from the affected regions? Wrong again.

Give up? This was a joint press conference with the Iraq president Jalal Talabani.

Now, this is the first time he has taken responsibility for

anything. A probable cause for this lack of response could be his having placed political cronies into positions which require an expertise in the area, or a degree of experience in the field.

Cronies have then ignored recommendations while having created politically guided results to fit in with their agenda. All of which have caused an exodus of experts who were leaving, frustrated at their findings being misused and altered.

This has in turn created a lack of expertise (the Environmental Protection Agency, Treasury and FEMA are some of the more prominent examples). I feel one can safely assume Karl Rove had this statement planned out, including the when, where, how and with who. Nothing is left to chance.

My only question is this: why was the President of Iraq there? Are they trying to make a link with Katrina and the war on terrorism? Did Saddam cause this?

If anybody believes either of those two statements to even be remotely plausible, I ask them to please retake a basic seventh grade science course.

Or if they know of Cobra: the ruthless terrorist organization which has a goal to take over the world and which succeeded in making the Weather Dominator featured in the second G.I. Joe miniseries over 20 years ago.

When the head of state of whatever country I'm a citizen of takes responsibility for a bad action, I would rather him do it by himself, with someone who actually is in the organization involved or by a fellow policy maker. Having the President of Iraq there made no sense to me.

Online learning? Not so much.



Steve Tietz
Columnist

This is the start of my third year here at Stout and during this time I have often pondered one serious question: Why is it that every band that comes to Stout sucks?

I'm sitting in my dorm room listening to the band Stout has chosen for the outdoor cook-out and I can't help but think that a guy banging on a garbage can, yelling gibberish would be more entertaining than this.

Granted Stout has been known to offer its students a few notable acts, such as Morgan Spurlock; however, it has been my contention that Stout should at least find a band that sings somewhat in tune, given the ridiculous amount of money we are contributing to this institution of higher learning.

Moreover, the theory of higher education has begun to plague my thoughts, and I have arrived at one conclusion: it's B.S.

Higher education is just an excuse for people in positions of power to suck more money out of the little people. I wonder if I'm the only person to realize that higher education has lately been coming up short on its delivery. Every year it appears that the courses taught teach us less and less while the system demands more and more of our money.

Education is supposed to be providing us with a well-rounded cultured education but to me it's an overpriced box wrapped in the daily edition.

We can't entirely blame college administrations and the government for the lack of providing a quality education to its middle class youth, but we can certainly try.

I believe the blame resides with the invention of fast food, which is derived from our culture's impatience. If fast food, the internet and call-ahead delivery services hadn't been invented might we actually be sitting in class learning from a professor; learning from the person whose salary is paid by us.

I think it is absolutely absurd that we have online classes offered to us and the

fact that professors actually willingly use them as an equal trade off to actual lectures is equally, if not, more absurd.

I came to an institution of higher learning with the intent to sit through mind numbing lectures (there are exceptions) with the knowledge that the individual presenting information to me was aiding me with the growth of my intellect.

Apparently I was wrong, because with the invention of online courses, now all I have to do is log onto the net, grab my book and plug the answers in. Ingenious.

I may be the only one who would rather sit in a classroom and soak in the knowledge of another human rather than simply plug an answer into an online course. Many of us wonder why our jobs are going overseas or to foreigners, but have we taken a moment to consider the reasons why?

Maybe our "don't give a sh*t attitude" has lead us to believe that sitting in front of a computer plugging answers into an online test is better than waking up to flip burgers. Then again at least we might get a half-priced meal out of flipping burgers.

My disclaimer for the year



Diane Wichern
Columnist

I don't know how many of you have actually figured this out, but change is the one constant in our lives, and I am no exception.

I'm writing an opinion column, and I am opinionated, but like so many things in this pseudo politically correct world, my opinions can change at the drop of a hat.

For a while I thought this should exclude me from being able to bottle, market and sell my opinions to the masses, but now I'm starting to believe it's just the opposite.

I think one of the most important things you can learn in this life is to accept that nothing will stay the way you leave it. Whether it's your car, your lover, your knowledge or your bedroom at your parent's house, everything changes. The important thing is to decide, every day, that this change will be in a positive direction.

I had a little flashback about a week ago, and while I was looking through old issues of *The Stoutonia* that featured my own version of ingenuity I realized something incredibly depressing about my articles. In almost every single article I put a disclaimer on my opinion while I was giving it. Needless to say, that bothered me, so I've decided to start this year out on the right foot.

I make mistakes, I do stupid things, I write stupid things and, inevitably, I will stick my foot in my mouth and offend someone I care about (not to mention the few people I'm sure I'll offend that I don't care about). If I'm lucky, maybe some of you will understand that I can be offensive and enjoy my opinions regardless.

So, to keep this all in perspective, there are a couple of things I'd like you to remember this semester while you read what I'm going to write.

First, I'm human, with all the flexibility and foibles of every other creature out there.

Second, please remember I'm a brave little soul taking steps to put myself out there. It's not easy writing about things that both mean something to me and will be read by at least half the campus.

Finally, although I reserve the right to add or subtract more at a later date, I hardly ever take anything I say 100 percent seriously. I would be delighted if you would do the same. That might be too much to ask, but I'll ask anyway. Be lenient, be nice and you never know, I just might be nice back.

I hope you like my disclaimer for the year. I'm going to do my utmost to make sure they don't make weekly cameos, but if I fail... well, deal with it.

Prices will come down



Shawn Peter
Columnist

Unless you've been hiding in a closet this past summer, you're perfectly aware that the price of gasoline is outrageously high, especially in Wisconsin.

Who would have thought we'd be paying \$3 a gallon so quickly? It's a wakeup call for most of us who rely on motor vehicles to get almost anywhere. How many times have you heard someone say, "I wish the price was \$2.50 again?" Even \$2.50 is much higher than it was a year ago.

At this time last year, the price at the pump was approximately \$1.80. Back then, many complained because of the "high" gas prices. How many would settle for that price now? It's hard to believe.

The real question is: how did it get so high? And when will it come down? I'm not an expert; very few people are when it comes to predicting future commodity prices. However, based on a number of factors, the price of gasoline will decrease.

So why are the prices so high? Most already know the devastating impact of Hurricane Katrina, but it did not only affect Louisiana, Mississippi and Alabama. The storm severely impacted shipping and oil industries. Seven major refineries, which represent at least 20 percent of U.S. refinery capacity were put offline.

Prior to the hurricane, the price was already high due to several factors such as tensions in the Middle East, Venezuela and Nigeria. A dramatic increase in Chinese demand for oil and a lack of refining capacity in the United States are significant.

Bush's energy proposal has been stalled in the senate for four years, causing the Clinton Administration's policy from the 1990s to be put in use. Adding to the mix of challenges, at least fifteen varieties of gasoline are required, most because of various regulations in different states requiring a decrease in emissions.

Has anyone mentioned that there hasn't been a new refinery built in 20 years and attempts to drill for more domestic oil are stalled? The storm simply caused a crimp in an already stressed hose. We are currently seeing all those factors meshed together when we pay for fuel.

Gasoline isn't the only commodity in which you'll see prices dramatically increase. For those who live off campus, a worst-case scenario could raise the price of heating that drafty apartment at least 30 percent.

Even the "Drunk Bus" price has gone up \$1 because of gas prices. There isn't a stone left unturned when it comes to

the importance of our energy.

Relief is in sight. Some may think I'm very optimistic, but the price of gas will come down. The peak of the summer driving season is over.

Last week the Organization of the Petroleum Exporting Countries sold crude oil for \$70. As of Monday, September 12, prices were set at \$64. Prices will go down; the trends are already set.

Also, lawmakers have pushed for a number of things. Emission standards have been temporarily waived to ease stress on the refining process, and state lawmakers are proposing a waiver of state gas tax (about 30 cents).

So what can you do? The first step is obvious; don't drive unless you have to. A friend of mine bought a new bike and rides 20 miles a day back and forth to work; he's 55. If a 55 year old can ride a bike, I think most of us can. Plus, it is good exercise as long as the weather is dry and warm.

Less demand will decrease price, but it'll take a number of people to ease off the demand for the prices to decrease dramatically. Another idea is to write Sen. Sheila Harsdorf and Representative Andy Lamb to encourage them to support the repeal of the minimum markup law and, if you accept the implications, the gas tax holiday proposal.

Even if you do none of those things, prices will come down. For those who need to drive, hopefully it's soon.

When batteries attack



Matt Schubbe
Columnist

I'm not going to take the easy way out for my first article of the year, oh no. It would be a very simple move for me to write about how all the freshmen are sequestered on South Campus, but that you won't hear about that from me.

I have something much more serious to discuss today. No cop-outs here. Well, maybe a slight cop-out, but not a total cop-out. You'll just have to read on.

I need to address all to a real danger that is plaguing computer users everywhere, or at least has potential to. Mice, as in the clicking kind, are a staple of modern computer use and an essential tool for using a computer in this day and age.

As technology has advanced over the years, new and better mice have been developed culminating in the notable creation of a wireless mouse running on batteries. Here is where the danger lies, the batteries in a wireless mouse, seemingly harmless as they may be.

A friend of mine recently noticed his wireless mouse wasn't quite working as well as it had in the past. He very quickly surmised it to be trouble with old batteries and opened

the casing to change them. Unknown to him, the batteries had been leaking acid into the inside of the mouse.

That explained why the mouse wasn't working, but it also made opening the thing up unsafe.

He removed the old batteries and shoved two new ones inside, finally putting the plate onto the back of the mouse to hold the batteries in place. It was then that the battery acid, like some kind of nuclear grapefruit, squirted directly into his left eye.

Needless to say, whether or not his mouse worked after that was of little concern to him.

So what does this mean? That technology is bad and we should all beware, for it may someday spit its proverbial acid into our collective eyes, ala the Matrix? No, that's just stupid.

Should this serve as a reminder to all who know me that if you get hurt in an entertaining way, instead of calling a hospital I'll sit down and bang out a story while you wait to go blind? Maybe, but that isn't the real issue here.

What all of you should really take away from this is that you shouldn't skimp on batteries. Get the nice ones so they don't fall apart in your mouse, walkie-talkie or whatever and shoot acid into your face.

My friend lucked out, his eye should be okay, so he won't have to change his major to piracy anytime soon.

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Housing staff contributes to the community

By Renee Currington
Campus Editor

University of Wisconsin-Stout Resident Advisors (RAs) and staff took active roles in the Menomonie community this summer, completing volunteer work for a variety of local organizations.

The type of work ranged from painting buildings and pulling weeds to managing inventory and creating posters. Some RAs also visited and interacted with aging citizens in local nursing homes.

"It was the RAs' idea," says Sandi Meinsen, Community Development Coordinator at UW-Stout. "They chose the work they wanted to do and I coordinated the projects."

A total of 104 RAs and staff members worked at six different locations in the community two weeks before school started. This was the largest group of students that have ever contributed to the community in one day.

The largest subgroup worked with the UW-Stout biology department behind the baseball field to clear the area of non-native shrubs.

"Eventually down the road, they want to turn the area back into a nice, grassy savannah area," said Katie Thiel, a technical communication junior who worked behind the baseball field. "It felt good to help out and give a little to reach the goal."

A lot of the students expressed a sense of fulfillment in helping others—even those who did more strenuous tasks.

"It was hot and tiring but the shelter was very happy for the hard work we put in," said Michael Lybarger, a sophomore in manufacturing engineering. Lybarger helped paint the out-



Courtesy of Housing & Residence Life

The largest subgroup of volunteers worked to clear non-native vegetation and a few trees from behind the baseball field. Together, they worked toward restoring the grassy savannah.

side of the Interfaith Volunteer Food Shelter building.

"A lot of people do want to give back and they enjoy it," said Nick Hansen, a junior in marketing and business education.

Hansen was one of a dozen who worked at Treasure Bay, a thrift store that donates all proceeds to The Bridge, a shelter for battered women.

The goals of the volunteer work encompassed even more than helping the community surrounding UW-Stout.

"Part of the purpose was to address stereotypes about working with different parts of the population," said Andrew Busch, a hall director in HKMC who worked with Meinsen to develop the objectives for the community service projects.

"By working at food pantries and shelters for abused

women, the RAs can come to understand different types of people and what it means to be someone who shops at a thrift store or goes to food pantries," said Busch.

Meinsen said the RAs came back from their experiences with a different mindset.

"[Volunteering] made me appreciate what I have and how lucky I am to be in the position I am today," said Lybarger.

The community service was incorporated this year as part of RA training. Some RAs also plan to promote community involvement on their floors.

"This work experience was to prepare the RAs for the service aspects of their jobs," said Meinsen. "They will be serving their residents and watching for their needs just as they did for the community."



Courtesy of Housing & Residence Life

Other groups of RAs worked food pantries, shelters for battered women and thrift stores where they organized inventory.

Renewal sessions for orgs.

By Renee Currington
Campus Editor

The UW-Stout organization renewal sessions began this week and will continue through Wednesday, Sept 21.

At least three officers of an organization are required to attend an organization renewal session in order for that organization to remain recognized by the Stout Student Association. These sessions outline the benefits, issues and concerns that go along with maintaining a club.

"Organizations that aren't recognized don't get any benefits, so they can't really do a whole lot," says Jenny Schuh who is the director of organizational affairs.

SSA offers benefits to recognized organizations that help facilitate club activities. Official organizations are allowed to receive funding, to reserve areas for meetings and events and to utilize other campus facilities and services.

With benefits such as these comes responsibility. Organizations that hold events could be held liable for problems that may arise during those events.

"Several years ago a guest was injured at a sporting event on campus," said Mary McManus, the director of involvement and leadership.

"Two years later the guest came back and filed a lawsuit against the organization for medical expenses."

This organization never signed the proper paperwork to avoid the responsibility for an injury at their event. The matter was eventually settled out of court. However, the leaders of the organization endured a lot of agony and stress as they dealt with that incident.

"The [renewal] process is necessary; at the same we feel like we don't want to do anything for fear of being sued," says Sachin Shah, who attended the renewal session as treasurer of the UW-Stout Auto Club.

"There is an inherent risk when you're driving cars; it involves all the liability [the SSA] talks about," said Shah.

The renewal session offers facts about liability for students and guests' safety during events and how to avoid lawsuits in case someone is hurt.

"Ninety-nine point nine percent of what happens on campus is fun, educational and makes people feel like they matter," said McManus. "We require organization renewal to keep it that way and to give clubs the support they need."

Organization leaders can sign up to attend a session at the SOC desk in the Memorial Student Center or e-mail soc@uwstout.edu.

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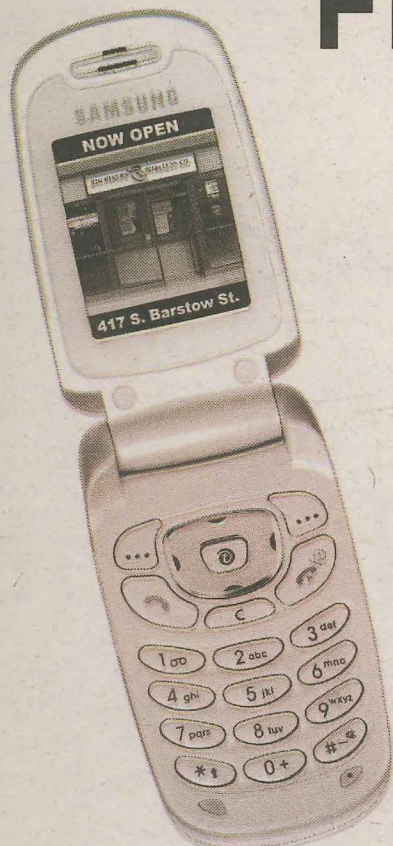
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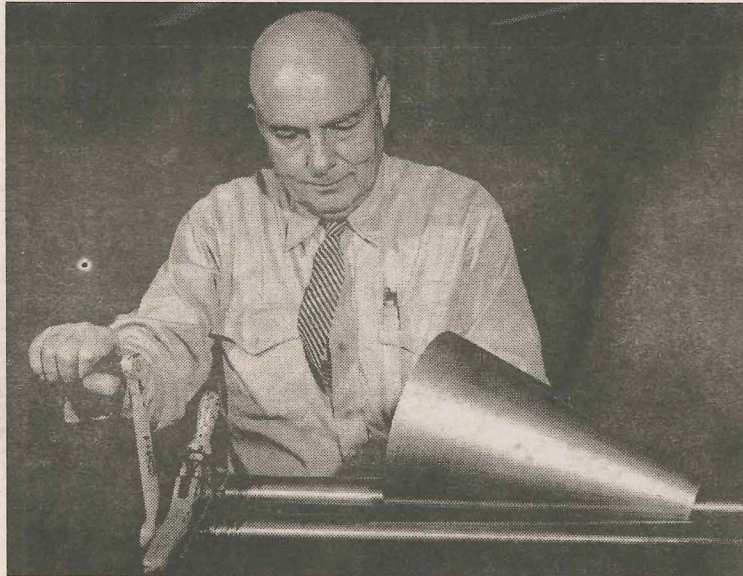
History of dormitory names

By Katie Triphan
Columnist

Many of you either live in the dorms presently or have at least lived on campus at some point. So some day, years after you graduate, you will probably drive through Menomonie and want to show someone where you once lived. "Right up there, third floor, fourth window in."

So maybe it would be cool to know who Hovlid, Milnes and Curran were before they became known simply as buildings to us. Beyond just being fun to know, it's important to remember these men and women of our history, especially those with dormitories dedicated in their honor. These are people who devoted, in many cases, decades of their lives to directly impacting, in a definite manner, the lives of countless students who came before us and improved the quality of education at Stout, one student at a time.

If you were a freshman this year or the last couple years, you likely ended up in one of the "Fresh Success" halls like HKMC. Hansen was named for Hans Hansen, a skilled crafts-



Courtesy of the Stout Historical Society
Floyd Keith, known as "Pappy," had a way of keeping students on the ball. He taught welding, sheet metal, and foundry.

man who taught woodworking, cabinetmaking and mill writing at Stout. Floyd Keith, the "K" in HKMC, was chair of the metals department and taught welding, sheet metal, foundry and general metals amongst other courses. He was referred to by the name of "Pappy." Gossip about his menacing physique and curt words insured students didn't sluff off in his class. Keith served at Stout for 38 years.

Harold "Cooper" Milnes, like Hansen and Keith, was a skilled craftsman; one of his areas of expertise was foundry. A ritual of Milnes' was "iron heat day." When the first iron melt flowed from the furnace into the receiving ladle, Milnes would run his wet index finger through the molten metal and say, "Put a little more salt in it!" Dwight Chinnock also taught in the metals department. Eventually he was appointed to supervise the industrial education teaching program. Chinnock avidly loved sports and was a faculty representative for athletics in the Wisconsin State University Conference for many years.

CKTO's Curran Hall is named after Frederick L. Curran, who earned his Bachelor of Science degree from Stout in 1921. Curran became a member of the faculty in 1908, and taught a variety of courses from Venetian ironwork to English. He gave 32 years of service to Stout before retiring. Ray F. Kranzusch served Stout for 40 years teaching such courses as electrical work, automechanics and general shop, and was known for

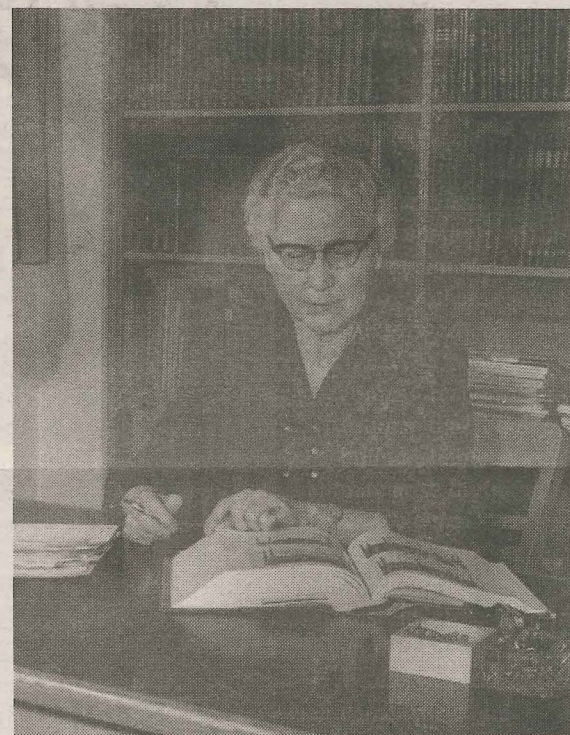
his amiable personality. Francis F. "Tusty" Tustison created the four year program in physics and mathematics at Stout. Tustison supposedly had a glass eye and colleagues enjoyed sharing the story about the origin of the rumored glass eye. It was said that when sad stories were told to "Tusty" it was his glass eye that cried, and that's how you could tell which eye was which. Erich Oetting was the first dean of the school of education. He organized and developed the curriculum and program of professional courses. He served on the faculty for 24 years.

Antrim and Froggatt bear the names of Sara Keturah "Kit" Antrim and Lillian M. Froggatt. Antrim served as director of women's physical education for nearly 30 years. She was a firm believer in Physical Education and in posture. She would take pictures of students at the beginning of the term and at the end to demonstrate the improve-

there is Hovlid, Fleming and Wigen; Hovlid being named for Leonard M. Hovlid. He grew up in Menomonie and attended the Stout Institute (name of UW-Stout before it became a college in the University of Wisconsin system). Upon his death he left a generous legacy to the university. Thomas Fleming was an English teacher at Stout who went on to become the chair of the English Department, and then later director of public relations. He was an articulate speechmaker and had a quick wit. At the age of 36 Fleming was killed in a car accident. He had been a faculty member for 16 years. Ray Wigen achieved recognition of Stout's graduate college, and was appointed dean of the graduate college and held this position for 20 years. He had many friends among the graduate students, and was known for his dry humor. People often found his strange laugh funnier than his jokes.

Across from Broadway there is JTC, which is rumored will be torn down after this year. Lillian Jeter was a supervisor of student teachers in clothing, textiles and home economics and served in that position for 34 years before retiring. Tainter is located on what used to be the lumber tycoon Andrew Tainter's estate. Tainter's wife Bertha inherited his estate and sold it to James Huff Stout so that he could build women's dormitories. The original two dormitories were torn down to make room when JTC was built. Lastly, Gertrude Callahan was a dignified lady who served as chair of the English Department. She had a genuine interest in literature and writing. She retired in 1961 after 33 years of service.

As you probably could have guessed North and South Hall aren't named for anybody. It's a shame because those are two of the three dorms I lived in while I was on campus. Guess I'll have to come up with something else to say when I show somebody where I lived someday, huh?



Courtesy of the Stout Historical Society
Lillian Froggatt, who looked like a typical librarian, maintained peace and quiet in the library. She was UW-Stout's head librarian for 32 years.

ments made in students' posture through the semester. Lillian Froggatt was Stout's head librarian for 32 years. True to form she had the strict appearance of a stereotypical librarian which served well in maintaining a quiet environment in the library.

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Atmosphere coming to campus



Mike Ryan

Entertainment Writer

In recent years, the words "Twin Cities" have become almost synonymous with a constantly growing, nationally acclaimed underground hip-hop scene. Such emphasis is placed on the emerging artists of this genre that one may easily forget that there is a thriving alternative music scene in Minneapolis-St. Paul, as well.

Perhaps best representing both styles of Twin Cities music are Atmosphere, a well-known and nationally respected hip-hop duo, and Vox Vermillion, a highly regarded alternative music group.

What do these two artists have in common, besides their hometown? Both acts will be playing at UW-Stout on Sept. 22 and 23, and both are only a sampling of an event that will bring some of the best bands of the Midwest (and in the opinion of certain biased fans, the nation) to campus.

On Sept. 22, the music will begin in the Memorial Student Center's Rec. Center at 8:00 p.m., with the Violettes opening for Vox Vermillion. The Violettes, hailing from Minneapolis, represent a sound truly their own.

Describing themselves

as "not a band, but a small orchestra," the Violettes utilize a wide range of instruments from cellos to sitars. This Minneapolis alternative rock group will be sure to impress and mesmerize the crowd with their experimental sound.

After the Violettes, Vox Vermillion will take the stage. Boasting vocal stylings that have been compared to Bjork and Kim Deal of The Breeders, Vox Vermillion brings an impressive array of sounds to the stage.

If you're a fan of their music, you'll want to be there. Even if you're not, it's worth coming to the show to support the city music scene.

The receptiveness and open minds of Minneapolis-St. Paul's alternative and indie scene is what allowed Atmosphere to become so embraced in its hometown, and Vox Vermillion and The Violettes have even been known to open for them.

Fronted by Slug (who raps) and produced by Ant, Atmosphere's lyricism has earned them the respect of a very tough crowd.

They have defied odds and become the ambassador of an underground hip hop scene that is widely regarded as the nation's finest.

Atmosphere will be performing tracks off of their new album, "You Can't Imagine How Much Fun We're Having."

Atmosphere's "Pour Me Another" tour features the likes



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Hailing from the Twin Cities, Atmosphere will be performing tracks from their new album, "You Can't Imagine How Much Fun We're Having," when they hit Stout next week, Sept. 22 through 23.

of P.O.S. (Promise of Stress) and Turbo Nemesis, both representing the most reputable crew in Twin Cities hip-hop, Doomtree.

Although the reputation of Atmosphere may have a tendency to overshadow the

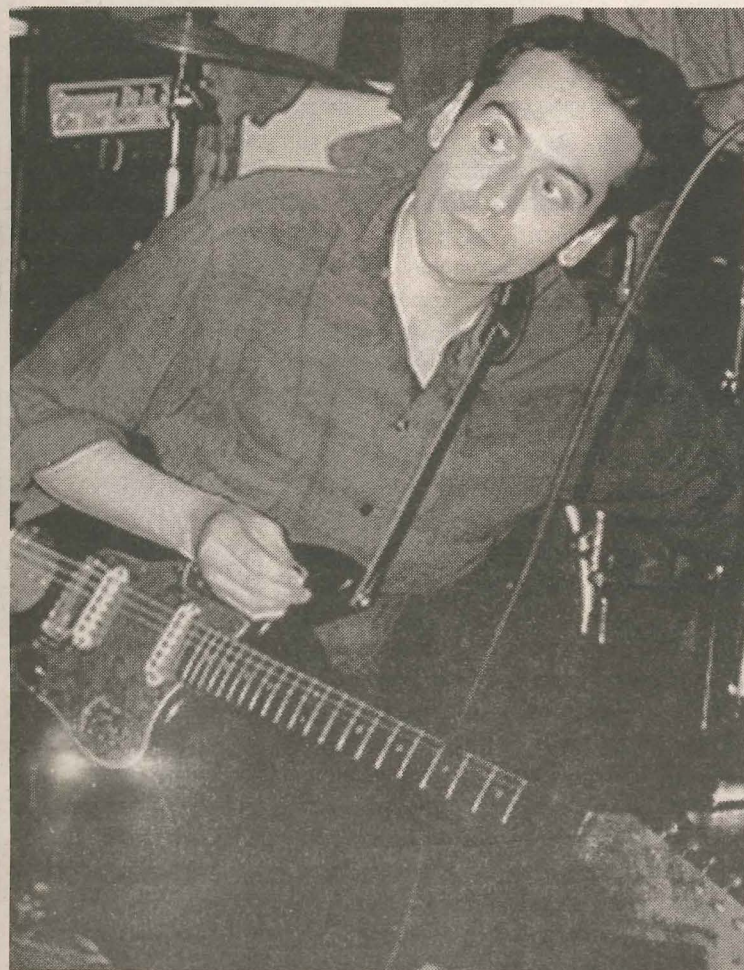
opening act, P.O.S., don't let the popularity fool you. P.O.S., though not so widely known, was recently voted as the Twin Cities' best musical act, ahead of Atmosphere, Brother Ali and the legendary Prince.

If you pay ten dollars for a

ticket and choose not to watch P.O.S., you're cheating yourself. Their live show is unbeatable and their style cannot be imitated.

It'll be a show to remember. So come down to the Great Hall and watch the best in the business do what they do best.

Hang-Ups, Friends Like These rock Stout



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John Crozier of the Hang-Ups is part of a twangy-psychadelia-infused folk/pop sound that has been compared to Neil Young, among others.



Justin Emry

Entertainment Writer

This past Thursday, Sept. 8, The Blue Devil Lounge presented the musical talents of The Hang Ups with special guest, Friends Like These.

Both bands could be generally described as Alternative Rock/Pop—a term broad enough to span the musical spectrum—however, each band brought with them their own unique sound which greatly contrasted and complimented each other's style.

Despite numerous technical difficulties, Friends Like These played a passionate and undeniably energetic set, one that left its listeners as eager as they were temporarily deaf.

Singer and guitarist John Solomon's Mick Jagger-esque swaggering combined with Matt O'Laughlin's dynamic

drumming created a very loud, animated and entertaining stage presence. Their Ringy guitar hooks served as a backdrop to the sharply obtrusive yet catchy drum and bass.

Listeners may associate their sound with other, more popular pop/rock routines such as The Strokes or even Weezer, but those similarities do little but describe the raw force of their performance and the general direction of their music. Friends Like These succeeded admirably in warming up the audience for the main event.

The second half of the evening found The Hang Ups taking the stage. The Hang Ups consist of five members, including three guitarists, and are led by singer/songwriter/guitarist Brian Tighe.

As they assembled onstage, it became quite clear that they had an entirely different kind of sound in store for the audience.

True to their design, the following songs drew heavily upon the sound of their lush interwoven guitar presence.

Tightly composed songs, such as "Little Blue" and "It's

All True," showcased Brian Tighe's thoughtful lyrics and inviting vocals.

At times, this focus gave way to their other trademark musical elements. Tracks such as "Annie Walks," shifted the spotlight to the dreamy guitar parts reminiscent of classic Neil Young and contemporary artists Built To Spill.

Fans of "Pet Sounds" era Beach Boys were delighted to find similarities in the harmonizing vocals of songs such as the fan favorite, "Caroline."

The Hang Ups draw upon a wide array of influences and sounds.

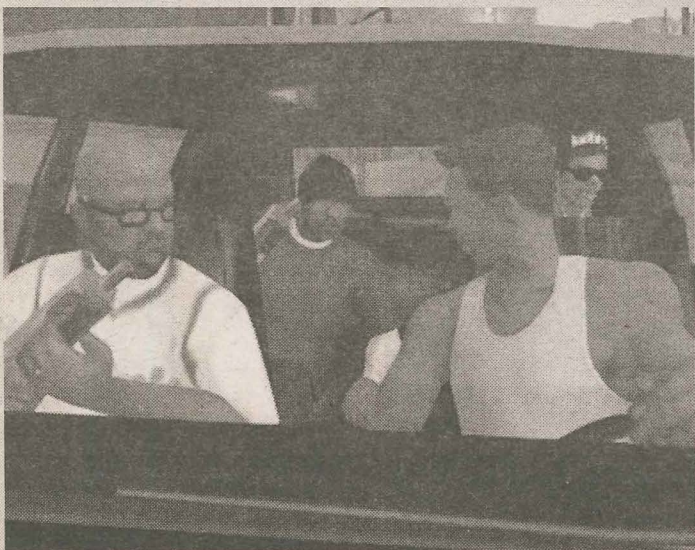
According to the band, they have been perhaps most inspired by performers such as The Kinks, Neil Young, Nick Drake, The Beach Boys and Big Star.

The Hang Ups have the rare talent of taking a wide variety of sounds and crafting them into a cohesive, no-frills, intelligent piece of pop music perfection.

And for one exciting and energetic evening, they brought that to Stout.

Free speech took a hit

"Grand Theft Auto" causes fresh scandal



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"GTA: San Andreas" has since its release sparked controversy for its violence. Its latest scandal, however, involves sex.



Ami Kriho

Entertainment Writer

This past summer, one of the biggest video game controversies reported in years arose: the discovery of a hidden sex scene in the number-one selling game of 2004, "Grand Theft Auto: San Andreas."

The sex scene was unlocked by a hacker who had found extra content in the asset files of the game that weren't being used. Once the scene (named the "Hot Coffee" mod) was unlocked and accessible, it was on sites on the Internet for other gamers to hack into their own copies of the game.

At first, the game's developer, Rockstar, denied that the scenes were in the game, and accused the hacker of making them.

Later, they admitted that they were part of the original design of the game, but never meant to be found.

This was still enough to spark a political controversy against the company.

Sen. Hilary Clinton (D-NY) was first to respond to the issue. Clinton, a stern critic against violence and sex in the media, sent a letter to the Federal Trade Commission's chairwoman Deborah Platt Majoras urging them to take some sort of action.

She also held a press conference to discuss solutions on how to keep such games out of the hands of children.

One idea was making it a federal crime to sell them to minors and a \$5,000 fine if the law is violated.

"We need to do everything we can to make sure that parents have a line of defense against graphic and violent video games, and other content that goes against the values they're trying to instill in their children," Clinton said.

The Entertainment Software Association (ESA) warns against Clinton's actions.

"The legislation proposed by Senator Clinton is unconstitutional on its face as it amounts to government enacted restrictions on creative and artistic expression protected by the First Amendment," said Doug Lowenstein, president of the ESA. "While we understand Senator Clinton's motivation, in the end her solution will never pass constitutional muster and thus will do nothing to help parents raise their kids."

Patricia Vance, president of the Entertainment Software Ratings Board (ESRB), supports Lowenstein.

"We urge all parties not to rush to judgment until all of the relevant facts, some of which are highly technical and complicated, have been established," said Vance.

Another figure on the case is the hard-hitting Miami lawyer, Jack Thompson. Thompson has previously been known for his over-the-top stone-cold stance against violent video games. He sent an e-mail to both the press and the members of the ESA expressing his opinion on the "scandal."

His primary target in this case is Lowenstein. Thompson claims the ESA president is responsible for giving the game a deceiving rating.

This despite the fact Rockstar never informed the ESRB of the hidden sex content.

One of Thompson's main goals, both before, during and after the GTA case, is to get Lowenstein out of office.

The result of all this was a ratings change for "Grand Theft Auto: San Andreas" from M (Mature) to AO (Adults Only).

The change in rating caused retailers such as Wal-Mart, Target and Best Buy to discontinue selling the blockbuster game.

A "decaf" version of "Grand Theft Auto: San Andreas" is due out Sept. 19.

The game will be rated M and will no longer have any of the previously troublesome sex scenes.

Celebrities take on "reality"



Matt Schubbe
Entertainment Writer

Not too long ago, I was approached to write a column for the Entertainment section of *The Stoutonia*.

Initially, I wasn't sure what to write about. Would I have to interview anyone? Would I have to include actual facts in the article, with checked sources?

Thankfully, my fears were unfounded because I was informed that the column was to be anything I thought pertinent to talk about in pop-culture. Now, that I can do. I guess this column is kind of like my own "Best Week Ever," only with fewer topics, less actual comedy and more attempted comedy. But otherwise, it's pretty much the same.

I decided that this first piece could concern my first love and third parent: TV. Lately, I've noticed a trend in the recent crop of reality shows. Fewer are contests or competitions, and many more of them

deal with the delicious messes that are washed-up celebrities. Now that I think about it, nearly all of these shows happen to be on VH1. It's almost as if VH1 took their hit show, "The Surreal Life," and spread it out over several shows as filler.

First, there is VH1's "Celebrity Fit Club," which mashes together such falling (or fallen) stars as Gary Busey, Willie Ames and even the former Warrant front man, Jani Lane. This show falls into the aforementioned category of a competition show, but there are many other celebrity shows that don't. These fall into two categories: "Fish Out of Water" and "Watch How I Live My Life."

In the former category, there can be found such shows as VH1's "Gene Simmons' Rock School" and NBC's "Tommy Lee Goes to College," both of which feature rockers who "hate the man" and are forced to work within the system.

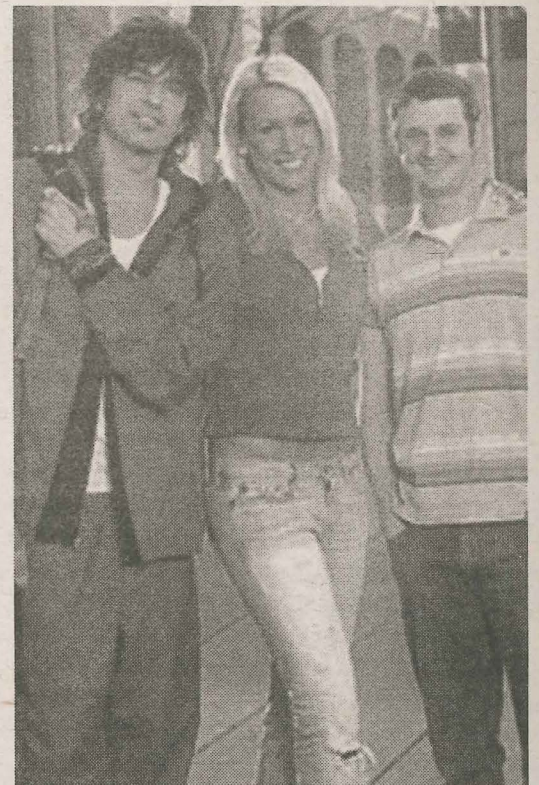
Gene Simmons goes to boarding school in a kind of real life "School of Rock," while Tommy Lee tries not to fail out of school in Nebraska.

These are interesting ideas, but I always find myself wondering how much of the situations are staged. The writers of these shows are probably not credited for a reason. Still, authentic or not, they do offer some mild entertainment.

In the "Watch How I Live My Life" category, we have quite a cornucopia of B- and C-list glory.

There's "Breaking Bonaduce," in which former "Partridge Family" star Danny Bonaduce supposedly works through his laundry list of personal demons with a therapist, one of which I'm sure is co-hosting "The Other Half" with Mario Lopez and Dick Clark.

"Breaking Bonaduce" hasn't aired, but I find it hard to believe that Bonaduce needs that much breaking.



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Tommy Lee (far left) and friends enjoy wacky "real-life" college adventures on NBC.

There's also "My Fair Brady," which chronicles the supposedly factual romance between "Brady Bunch" alum Christopher Knight and "America's Next Top Model" winner Adrienne Curry.

Large portions of it could very well be staged, and since this show hasn't started yet, either, time can only tell if it will be any good or not.

In closing, I'd like to mention my favorite new pseudo-celeb reality show: "Hogan Knows Best."

Maybe it's because I watched him wrestle when I was a kid, or the fact that I respect a good handlebar mustache, but something about Terry "Hulk" Hogan as a family man really warms my heart. He's so protective and mischievous, and a terrible softy.

This show gets my personal recommendation for anyone born in the 80s.



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Chicks dig
my ride.



New Series! Collect Them All!

Transporter series takes detour



Jarrod Burns
Entertainment Writer

It's hard to go into a movie without expectations (especially a sequel), but I try my best to see every movie without prejudging it in anyway.

I am a fan of the original "Transporter" and also a fan of the mind behind the film, producer Luc Besson, and I eagerly awaited the release of "Transporter 2."

If you haven't seen the original "Transporter," what you are missing out on is the story of Frank, an ex-marine who transports people or cargo for people who are not always on the right side of the law.

His fighting skills are as fast and improvisational as his driving

skills and make for a very entertaining 90 minutes.

I tried to stay away from the hype for "Transporter 2," especially the trailers.

What I did see before the film was the poster, which unfortunately did not please me.

It depicted an anorexic, sleep-deprived female pointing two blazing silenced machine guns at the title character, played by Jason Statham. I want to see the Transporter fighting a never-ending army of foot soldiers, not a skinny woman with too much eyeliner.

Fortunately, the film succeeded in showing both. The film is full of physics-defying action and improbable (if not impossible) stunts. I would use the analogy that it is like watching a live action comic book.



Ex-marine Frank, a.k.a. the "Transporter" (Jason Statham) is a hard-bitten anti-hero who frequently finds himself working on the wrong side of the law.

The over-the-top action (used in all Besson productions) is taken to the extreme in "Transporter 2."

So far to the extreme, in fact, that you may find yourself shouting at the screen, "That could never happen!" A few of the other moviegoers did this during the showing I attended.

The plot, involving the

Transporter working as a chauffeur and bodyguard for a rich man's young son, exists only to move the film on to the next action scene.

Most of the characters are flat and do little to help the already flimsy storyline.

Too many scenes end with cheesy one-liners that didn't

have the impact the screenwriters obviously probably hoped for.

What was more important than the story in the original "Transporter" was the style of filming and editing, which was interesting, somewhat original and characteristic of films directed by Luc Besson (though neither "Transporter" films are).

"Transporter 2" is missing that style, and stylistically looks no different from any other action film coming out of Hollywood right now.

Another reason for this stylistic change could be the Miami setting, which is very bright and different from the French countryside and small cities of the first film.

Despite all of the film's shortcomings, I didn't walk out on the film or ever find myself bored at any point. The film had a decent pace, and was entertaining enough to leave me satisfied.

The 411

**September 15
to September 22**

Thursday, Sept. 15

- >The Kissers, Stones Throw, 10 p.m., \$5.
- >Smack Davis + Franklin Airmen, Mousetrap, 10 p.m., Free.
- >Comedy Night, Destini Artworks, 8 to 10 p.m., Free.
- >Comedy: Dan Adhoo, Huff's, 8 p.m., Free.

Friday, Sept. 16

- >Howard Luedtke and Blue Max, House of Rock, 10 p.m., \$5.
- >Half Life, Tailgates, 9:30 p.m., \$2.

Saturday, Sept. 17

- >Irie, Mousetrap, 10 p.m., Free.
- >The Buffali, Acoustic Cafe, 8 p.m., Free.

Sunday, Sept. 18

- >No events scheduled.

Monday, Sept. 19

- >Conrad Johns & The New River City Jazz Band, Stones Throw, 6 to 8 p.m., Free.
- >The Q-tet, Stones Throw, 9 p.m., Free.

Tuesday, Sept. 20

- >The Crest + We Won, Stones Throw, 10 p.m., Free.

Wednesday, Sept. 21

- >Howard Luedtke Blues Jam, Fischer's on the Green, 7 to 10 p.m., Free.

Thursday, Sept. 22

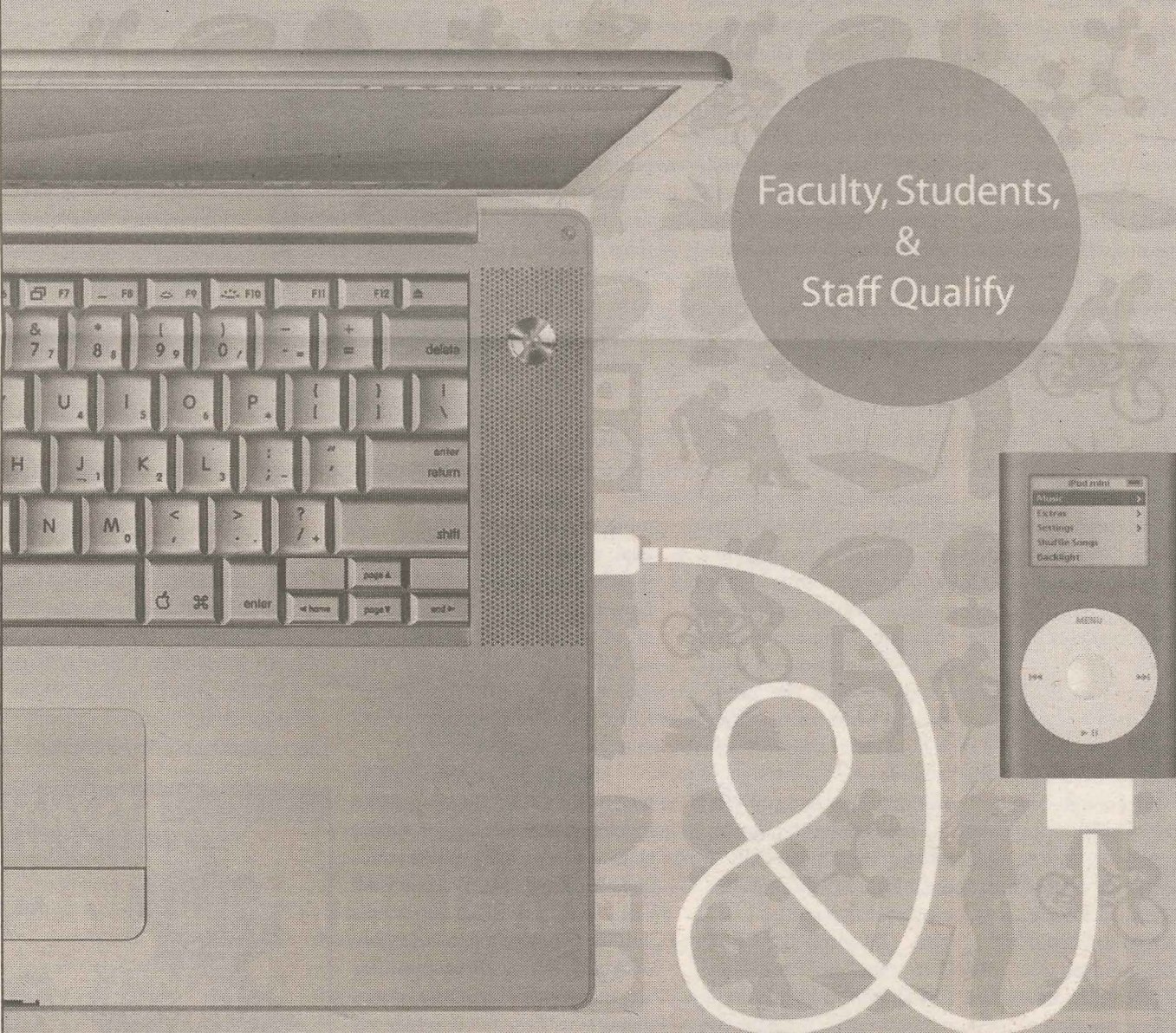
- >Hydrophonics + Inebriation, Stones Throw, 10 p.m., \$3.
- >Vox Vermillion, Rec. Center, 8 p.m., Free.
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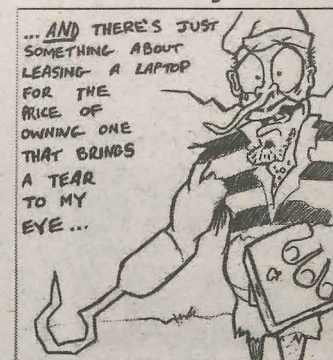
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The Blue Devils defeated UW-Platteville 24-16 in the WIAC season opener on Sept. 10.

Next Game:
Sept. 17 Springfield College in Massachusetts (away).



CROSS COUNTRY

Both teams were off last week. Next race (men and women): Sept. 17 St. Olaf Invitational



TENNIS

The Tues. Sept. 13 home match against Rockford College was cancelled.

Next match:
Sept. 17 at UW- Whitewater Triangular

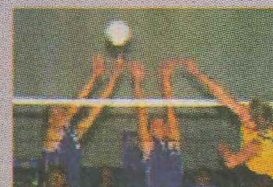
SOCCER (2-0-1)
1-0 FINAL

The Blue Devils scored the only goal in the game against St. Scholastica on Sept. 10, bringing them the win.

VOLLEYBALL (7-2)
4-0 TOURNAMENT FINAL

The Blue Devils were undefeated at the Augsburg tournament on Sept. 9-10.

Next Match:
Sept. 16 at UW-La Crosse.



NFL openers shock experts

By Bryan Horwath
Sports Writer

Just when you think you have the National Football League season figured out, they go and mess everything up by actually playing the games.

Seriously, did anyone in the world have Tampa Bay beating Minnesota, San Francisco over St. Louis and Miami besting Denver? Didn't think so.

I know what you were saying to yourself early this past week: "But I thought the guys on ESPN said that the Vikings were a Super Bowl contender and Arizona was a sleeper pick to return to the playoffs!"

If that was you, don't worry. Like Michael Jackson used to say, you are not alone. It just goes to show that the so-called experts in the world of sports journalism are anything but.

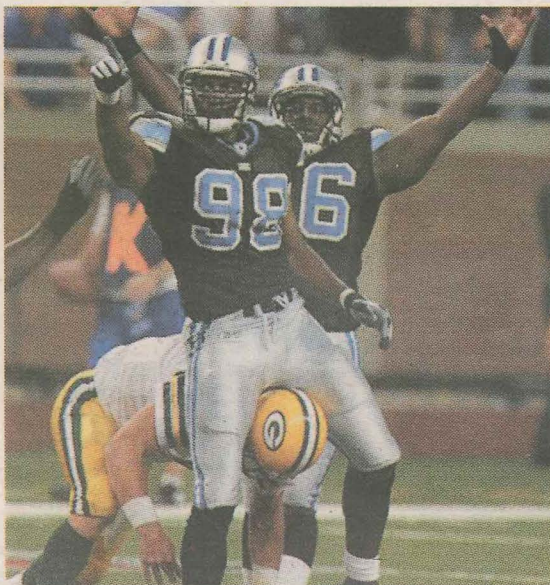
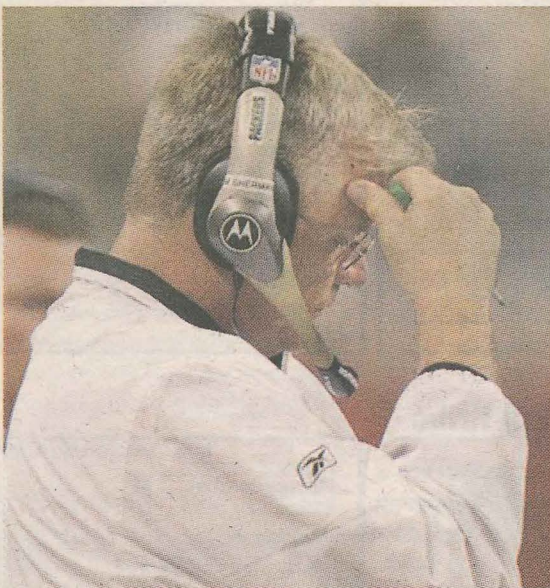
Hey, it's a nice gig if you can get it, though: sit around a television studio in Connecticut and pretend to know all about pro football when you know damn well that anything could happen (excuse the cliché) on any given Sunday.

It wasn't a complete loss on the expectation front in week one, though. After all, New England did win, and appears to be on its way to a third consecutive championship. This victory came at the expense of Randy Moss' new team: the Raiders.

Realistically, it should only count for half of a win because the Raiders' defense this year consists of Charles Woodson, Warren Sapp, a few ball boys and that guy in the stands in Oakland who always wears a Darth Vader mask.

As for Moss, I'm really worried for the guy. I mean, if the Raiders find themselves at 1-6 or so in a few weeks, it could send his fragile personality into a whirlwind of excessive pot smoking and vehicular assaults.

As for the two teams of interest in these parts, let's just say it doesn't look good. The Packers failed to score a



Both the home state team and their rival neighbor lost their first NFL season games on Sun. Sept. 11. The Green Bay Packers lost 17-3 to Detroit, while the Minnesota Vikings lost 27-13 to Tampa Bay.

touchdown in a 17-3 loss to Detroit and then learned that they lost star receiver Javon Walker for the year due to a knee injury. Ouch and double ouch.

Minnesota quarterback Daunte Culpepper played perhaps the worst game of his career in a 27-13 home loss to the Bucs. Oh, and another thing, that new and improved Minnesota defense? Let's just say it looked suspiciously like the old one: no pass rush, shaky secondary and no killer instinct.

I still think the Vikings will rebound and make the playoffs—if they continue to lose, heads will be rolling faster than bowling balls in the Twin Cities—but it

really does look like a long year in Titledown. Didn't Brett Favre look old and tired walking off the field Sunday? If Favre leads the Packers to the playoffs this year, it might be the greatest feat of his storied career.

The reason why nobody in Minnesota or Green Bay is panicking yet (although the Packers are getting close) is that the NFC North is about as challenging as a weight lifting class. The Bears lost to Washington 9-7 and Detroit is the Lindsay Lohan of the NFL: nothing but a tease.

As for all you fantasy football fiends out there, I have a couple of tips. If you drafted

Peyton Manning or LaDainian Tomlinson, you'll be just fine. If not, con one of your buddies into a trade for one of them.

Last but not least, it's my picks of the week. Since nothing else makes much sense in the NFL after one week, I'll play it safe. I'll bet the Patriots win, the Vikings will lose on the road, and Randy Moss will score a touchdown while being high and complaining about something.

For any other NFL information, tune in to ESPN. True, they won't tell you anything that will be useful or predict anything that will actually happen, but at least you might see a wiener dog race on Top Ten Plays!

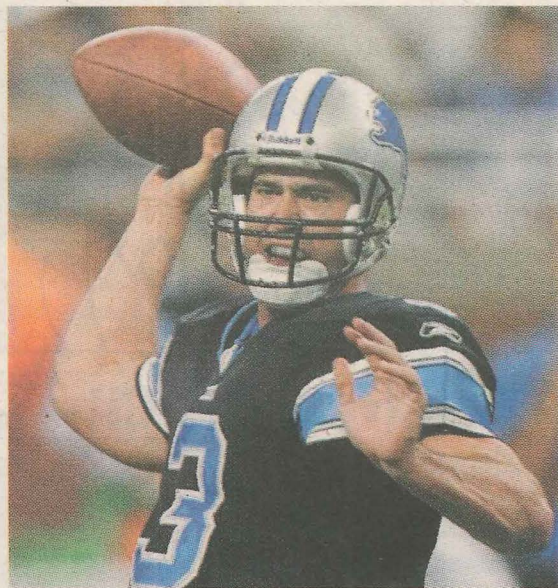


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Intramural sign-ups end, games begin

By Matt Edison
Sports Writer

If you enjoy sports but don't like the pressure of varsity teams, intramurals might be right for you. Intramural sports are team sports that are more reminiscent of childhood t-ball rather than a scene from Varsity Blues. Sign-ups for the first quarter team leagues began on Sept. 12 and ended Sept. 14. Registration for individual intramurals begins on Sept. 19 and ends on Sept. 23.

"Intramural sports are a great way to have fun and to compete with your buddies," said sophomore, Tony Zappa.

There are four team intramural sports that take place

during block one: softball, flag football, sand volleyball and bean bags. Individual sports offered this quarter are bowling, golf, pool and tennis.

A different variety of sports are offered each quarter.

"We're trying to get some new activities such as swim and disc golf meets," said Mike Messerer, one of the employees of the Rec. Department.

If you missed the chance to sign up for team intramurals this semester, here is some helpful advice for when you decide to participate.

Once you pick out what sport you want to play, you need to choose your teammates. This may appear to be an easy task,

but don't be fooled. Make sure you pick teammates that you can rely on to be at the game every week or it will cost you in the long run. If you don't have a team lined up, it is just as easy to sign up and be put on one.

Once you have your team picked out, there will be a mandatory meeting that your team captain will have to attend in order for your team to get registered and payed for.

One main question you may be asking yourself is how much does it cost? Playing an intramural sport isn't expensive at all. For example it is around \$45 for a softball team. Divided by ten people per team, each person only pays \$4.50.

The registration fee includes the majority of the equipment you will need to play the sport.

There are some rules that you will have to abide by while you participate in your sport of choice. Some of the rules might seem a little absurd, but you will have to follow them so things run smoothly. The number one priority for the Recreation Department is safety and trying to avoid major injuries.

Intramurals sports are a good way to have fun with friends and a great way to meet new friends. Sign up for individual sports this week, or be on time next quarter if you missed this quarter's deadline. Otherwise, show up to an event and be a cheerleader.

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Laptops now available for purchase

By Kristie Wilson
News Writer

University of Wisconsin-Stout students were told by administration in 2004 that they would not be able to buy their laptops from the school.

After two years, students had to return their laptop for a new one, and when they graduated, students were unable to keep their computers. Recently, all of this changed.

Starting in the spring semester of 2006, prospective graduating students will be allowed to purchase their laptops from UW-Stout.

Students will receive a "Lease Laptop Resale Pilot Program" that will give them the requirements of purchasing their laptops. It will also contain all of the contact information needed for any questions laptop buyers may have in the future.

All of the licensing restrictions and other issues have been taken care of by UW-Stout's administration and laptop staff, however, all of the programs included with the laptop will be KeyServer programs.

The plan to resell the laptops to students will be tested in the Spring to determine if it will be an option for following years.

There is no set cost for a laptop, rather, it will be determined by how much time is left on the laptop's 2-year lease and the administrative costs.

This may greatly benefit the graduating students. Not only will they have a computer that they are familiar with but they will also have a fairly updated machine to help them get started in the real world.

"When I got the e-mail saying that we might actually be able to purchase our laptops after we graduate, I was so excited," said Linda Atkinson, a junior in hotel, restaurant and tourism management (HRTM).

Other UW-Stout students weren't as excited.

"I wouldn't buy mine because my last one broke down so much, I'm worried this one will too," said Erin Schuster, a senior in HRTM.

Any questions should go to Joan Wahl, UW-Stout Business and Financial Services, 123 Admin. Bldg. (715) 232-2649.

Current Retail Prices

These are not UW-Stout prices for laptop students

12" Mac G4 Powerbook \$1,499.00

Apple Warranty \$349.00

Adobe Creative Suites Premium \$1,199.00

Microsoft Office Standard Edition 2003 \$399.00

HP Compaq Business Notebook nc6230 \$1,699.00

HP Warranty \$199.00 to \$349.00

DMV makes drastic changes to Wis. ID card

By Kristie Wilson
News Writer

Starting this week, Wisconsin residents will be receiving a new and improved driver license or ID to meet the standards approved by the American Association of Motor Vehicle Adminis-

trators (AAMVA). The Division of Motor Vehicle (DMV) staff started issuing the new cards Sept. 20.

There are three levels of security on the new card: overt, covert and forensic. Also a different security coat will prevent any other changes.

New digital imaging will help prevent against identity theft. Also to prevent identity theft, there are ID bar codes that connect the person to a specific card.

"These upgrades in design make the driver license and ID card more secure," notes WisDOT Secretary Frank Busalacchi. "They look great too."

There is an increase of font size of all the vital information which makes it easier to read, especially helpful to law enforcements or anyone who does a lot of ID-ing.

"The quality of the image and the boldness of print are greatly improved over the 1997 version, making it easier to read," said Dennis Nussbaum, Bureau Field Services Operations Manager.

Driver licenses will have a tinted pink background and ID cards will be tinted green. Regular licenses will be blue, commercial drivers license, green, occupational drivers licenses, black and probationary driver licenses, red.

Color is the most noticeable change, but other than that, there are also design changes for residents under the age of 21. Instead of a horizontal layout, people under the age or 21 will receive a vertical layout. The same goes for ID cards.

"I believe that changing the IDs is just another way of avoiding or covering up what should really be done," said Connor O'Brien, a senior in business administration.

"If men and women can go to war and vote at the age of 18, they should also be able to decide to drink. This is just another distraction from that subject that is costing taxpayers more money."

Additional information can be found at <http://www.dot.wisconsin.gov/news/2005/opa-165.htm>.



www.dot.wisconsin.gov/drivers/

These are the examples of the new Wisconsin driver's license that came out on Sept. 20. Above is an example ID for those over 21. Right is an example of anyone who is under 21.



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Prof. awaiting trial in Utah

By Emily Alwin
NewsWriter

Last year, University of Wisconsin-Stout psychology professor, Scott Orme, was taken into custody by the UW-Stout police at the request of the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

He was charged with interstate travel with intent to engage in a sexual act with a minor.

Orme, who had been teaching at UW-Stout for four years prior to his arrest, allegedly brought a 14-year-old girl across the state lines in Utah in 2000.

Directly after his arrest, Orme was put on paid administrative leave by UW-Stout. The school cited Wisconsin Statute 4.09 which is the application for relief of budget and payment.

The statute states that "If the chancellor finds that substantial harm may come to the university if a faculty member is to remain in their current position, that fac-

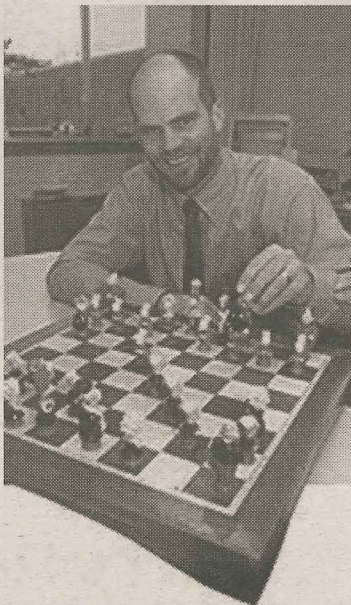
ulty member can be relieved of duties, but will continue to be paid until the board makes its decision as to dismissal."

Until Orme is convicted of the crimes he allegedly committed, UW-Stout cannot dismiss him from his position.

"By law the only option we had to get [Orme] out of the classroom was to put him on paid administrative leave," said John Enger, who was the Executive Director of Public Relations for UW-Stout at the time of Orme's arrest.

Orme was taken to Salt Lake City, where the charges against him were filed. He is currently in the pre-trial stages of his case and has pleaded not guilty.

In July of this year, Orme made a motion to repress his hearing but so far there has been no trial date set. Penalties for intent to engage in a sexual act with a minor can vary from probation to many years in prison.



submitted photograph
Scott Orme is awaiting trial in Utah for the intent to engage in a sexual act with a minor, as well as transportation of a minor across state lines.

The judge in Orme's case has sealed all of the files while the case is still underway. The charge of sexual exploitation is a felony of the second degree.

"I had him for a measurement class," said Thomas Smith, a senior majoring in psychology. "His tests were horrible but he didn't seem like a creepy guy."

Those who worked closely with Orme said it was a complete shock when the psychology professor was arrested on campus last Dec.

"[Orme] is adamant that he is not guilty of any criminal wrong-doing in this case," said attorney Chris Van Wagner.

Orme had known the juvenile since she was in fourth grade and she had babysat his children. Her mother intercepted e-mails between the two after Orme's family moved to Wisconsin and informed the authorities.

NEWS for the COLLEGE attention span

Hurricane Rita strikes

Hurricane Rita is expected to hit the central gulf coast of Texas between Corpus Christi and Galveston by the end of this week. On Wednesday, when Rita grew to a category five, with winds at 165 mph, experts predict it will devastate even more of the Gulf Coast. One million people were ordered to evacuate Texas, as well as the Louisiana coast. The government has already taken action and sent water trucks and ready-to-eat meals to the coast. Medical personnel are on standby.

New Orleans doesn't fear Rita

The threat of hurricane Rita has sent Texans running, but residents left in New Orleans hope it will pass them by. Mayor Ray Nagin's had a mandatory evacuation notice for the 400-500 people left in New Orleans. One person showed up to the Convention Center on Wednesday to board the bus out of the city. Only ten percent of city is left under water, down from the 80 percent right after Katrina. If Hurricane Rita hits New Orleans all of the efforts up until now will be lost.

Oil prices on the rise

Crude oil prices jumped \$2 on Wednesday as traders worried about Hurricane Rita. The effects that Hurricane Katrina had on oil refineries rose prices all over the country. BP PLC began closing some of its refinery operations on Wednesday.

Drug resistant germ kills

Three Chicago-area children have died due to a drug-resistant germ that causes an illness much like toxic shock syndrome. This germ is normally caught in hospitals in open wounds, but all three children caught this germ outside of the hospital. Health officials are unaware of how this staph germ causes this deadly effect, but they believe it to be rare.

North Korea paranoia

North Korea accused the United States of planning a nuclear attack on them only two days after the disarmament accord. A six country council converged to supply North Korea with economic aid and security assurances in return for giving up their nuclear weapons program. North Korea told the council it would only dismantle its nuclear weapons program if Washington would supply light-water nuclear reactors for generating electricity. The U.S. denied this proposal.

Young girl killed for honesty

A thirteen-year-old girl was found shot to death in Loveland Park, Ohio. Katelind Caudill was killed Monday in her grandmother's home. Authorities believe that it has to do with a police report filed just days earlier. Katelind reported to the police that her friend was being molested. Authorities are searching for the friend's stepfather, Melvin Keeling, 43. Keeling is also a suspect in the murder of two convenience store clerks just four hours after Katelind's body was found. Family of the victim said that the police did not do enough, even after Keeling confronted Katelind and threatened her.

Always a mistress

Amber Frey, the former mistress of Scott Peterson, hits headlines again with news that the man that pays child support for her daughter is not the real father. DNA tests proved that Anthony Flores, 29, is not the real father, but Christopher Funch is. Flores has been paying \$175 a month for four years. Frey's attorney says that her client did not know that Flores wasn't her daughter's real father.

Hybrids soon to be on market

Gas-Electric Hybrids will be offered on half of the Ford, Lincoln and Mercury models coming out in 2010. Ford Motor Company Chairman and CEO, Bill Ford, stated that 250,000 hybrids will be released in the next five years. Ford also said that the company will release vehicles that will run on fuel-efficient ethanol; the F-150 truck and Crown Victoria, Grand Marquis and Lincoln Town Car sedans.

India Floods

Heavy rains pounded India causing rivers to rise over their embankments and flood many farms and homes. Fifty-six people were killed by the rain and the strong winds and thousands were left without homes. Helicopters and boats rescued many of the stranded and brought them to shelters. Food and supplies were delivered to the shelters to accommodate the displaced victims.

Orme's Personal Background

Originally from Salt Lake City

Married with two elementary-aged children

Graduated from Utah State University with a degree in Music Therapy

Graduated from the University of Utah with a Ph. D. in Psychology

Went to South Korea on a missionary trip with his Mormon church

Moved to Wisconsin for his wife's career with the Mayo Health System

Hobbies include skiing, rock climbing and camping

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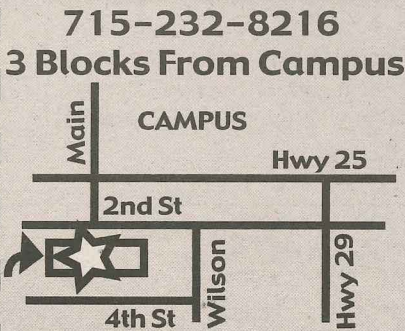
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Smoking ban expanding to county?



Staff Editorial
The Stoutonia Staff

Imagine this: you have just finished class for the day, two labs and three lectures, and now you get to go home to work on, what else, more homework.

You finally step outside and pull out your lighter to finally relieve some stress with a cigarette. You've barely taken one puff when a police officer walks up and tells you to put out the cigarette or you will be issued a citation.

Sound far-fetched? Well,

it may not be quite as far off as one might think it would be, or possibly should be.

According to the July 11, 2005 issue of the *Dunn County News*, Menomone Mayor Dennis Kropp has set up a committee to look into a county-wide smoking ban.

According to the article, the mayor "prefers a county-wide smoking ban so that those who want to smoke in public places don't leave the city to surrounding townships if the city alone enacts such a smoking ban."

Currently, 21 Wisconsin communities, including Eau Claire, have implemented a public smoking ban. This includes restaurants, bowling alleys and taverns, and in some cases, even workplaces.

When Assembly Bill 207 was signed by Governor Doyle, smoking was banned in residence halls, dormitories and within 25 feet of the buildings on all UW campuses, according to www.wisgov.state.wi.us.



So what happens if someone is standing too close to the building?

Should a police officer driving by stop and get out of his car just to ask you to step three feet in the other direction, or should they be worrying about other more important things, like which parties they are going to bust this weekend?

Or is it the responsibility of the hall directors to be sure that the residents of their hall are smoking only where they are supposed to be?

What about RAs and

other faculty or staff? Should they be the ones enforcing this? Maybe all of them should be.

How serious should this be taken? Should students be issued a citation for smoking too close to the building?

Many people may think that this is a little ridiculous. It probably is. But how else does anyone know that this is actually being enforced?

It was mentioned at *The Stoutonia* meeting this week that in order to be issued a citation, a person had to be

caught twice violating the smoking ban.

How is one person ever going to be caught twice? Unless whoever is enforcing the ban starts actually recording names of those they catch, this seems almost impossible.

As for the county-wide ban, this may or may not seem like a good idea, depending on whether or not you are a smoker.

Although it may seem a little excessive, just think of it as actually getting fresh air when you step outside.

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Michael Graney
Columnist

I was driving to and from home listening to Dropkick Murphy's CD "The Warrior Code" when track nine, "The Green Fields of France," came on. This song was such a change from the rest of the CD, a moving ballad about the death of an American Soldier in World War I.

Remembering one's history, it was the Great War, the War to End All Wars. It was the war of firsts. It was also supposed to be the last war.

The last war, got me thinking, why do we keep committing our troops around the world? I guess it is because in the 20th century the United States hasn't been attacked on its own soil during a war.

People will bring up the attack on Pearl Harbor, but remember that Hawaii wasn't yet a state, it was the last state

to join the Union and did that in 1959, within some of our parents' lifetimes.

Before that moment, Hawaii was a territory, much like the Marshall Islands or the Island of Midway. While we were attacked on a territory, I don't think it has the same effect as being fully involved in a war on one's own soil.

The Civil War was devastating and stopped American warring for 28 years. Since then, no wars have been fought on American Soil.

We haven't seen the actual devastation of constant bombardment, bodies littering the ground or innocents killed.

In fact, after WWI, the United States began to prosper. We had the least amount of casualties from that war, when it devastated countries like France, Great Britain, Germany and Russia. It has been called the lost generation, and with good reason. But, this war to end all wars didn't work out quite that way.

WWII started in 1939 with Germany's invasion of Poland; the Cold War was an interesting

series of bluffs; the Korean War started in 1950 and is technically still happening today because there was never a peace treaty, just a cease fire; Vietnam started in 1956 and lasted until 1975, including both advisory phases.

America supported Saddam Hussein and backed Iraq in the wars between Iraq and Iran in the 1980s, The Persian Gulf War was in 1991, there was reluctantly a war in Afghanistan and there is recently a war in Iraq.

The disturbing trend is that none of these have occurred on American Soil.

Democracies that have witnessed the horrors of modern warfare tend to be more hesitant to become involved in new conflicts unless it is directed at them or is an ethical crisis.

Can one imagine the reaction if a country started attacking the United States directly?

Imagine the scenes that we have seen of car bombs exploding or roadside bombs going off but, happening on U.S. soil in Chicago, New York City, Los Angeles, Seattle or your own hometown.

Then imagine what hap-

pened in New Orleans from Hurricane Katrina happening across the country, not due to nature, but due to human hands. Think of fields being mined, and mines still going off 20 years later. Think of Lambeau Field resembling the Roman Coliseum, from being bombed. Think of having had a bombing like what happened to the city of Dresden in WWII, happening to a city like Milwaukee.

Eventually, America might recover, but I think it would take some time, and I think we would thoroughly exhaust every diplomatic and peaceful option available before going in with the big stick that was advocated by Theodore Roosevelt.

Maybe we would enter situations where absolute genocide is happening, like Kosovo, or in the Sudan. Maybe then we could act faster and more appropriately to natural disasters and recovery efforts while holding off forcing regime changes.

Then we could potentially achieve peace on earth. War should only be a tool of last resort, and only a tool of the desperate.

Irony isn't always funny



Matt Schubbe
Columnist

Irony is supposed to be funny, isn't it? I can't remember if it is, and I'm too lazy to look it up, but many times irony is at its best when you can get a good laugh out of it. Case in point, a few days ago.

I live in Red Cedar hall this year, and it's great, especially the fact that we have laundry facilities on every floor.

That being said, I had to do my laundry for the first time last week on a Monday night. I knew I had to be quick and get it done early, because I worked early the next morning and had to be up by 6:30.

I heard a rumor that because these are new machines, the dryers haven't been hooked up to the card swiper yet, making them free to use.

The fact that the cost of using a washing machine has been raised to a dollar for each use only furthered my joy in finding out that, in fact, the dryers were free.

I got things washed very quickly, and began shoving my clothes into the dryers around 10:20 p.m., which gave me enough time to dry my clothes, fold and put them away, and then crawl into bed before I would have to trudge down to the Commons in a tired haze in the morning.

I waited and waited for the dryer to finish, not realizing a few key things.

One, I had a lot of cotton clothing in there, and cotton is like a sponge, meaning I should've set the dryer to high, not medium, which is what I did. The other mistake I made was in my selection of dryers.

Upon returning to my room after starting my clothes again in the same dryer, one of my roommates informed me that the dryer I was using was "the bad one." The dryers are brand new, how can there be a bad one? But apparently there is, and I had chosen it.

I went to go see if I could move my clothes to another dryer, but alas, all were in use. So, I let the dryer finish its cycle and balled up my still wet clothes into my arms and dropped them in a pile in my room.

By this time it was about 1:15 a.m. So not only had I stayed up later than I had planned on, but the "free" dryer was the cause of it. It cost me no money, but ironically ate up all of my time that evening.

My excitement was clearly misplaced. As I fell asleep, I began thinking about my article last year discussing machines and robots trying to screw over humans. Maybe this wasn't such a funny kind of irony after all.



Steve Tietz
Columnist

How far gone are we as a society that we now require a store in the largest mall in America that allows us to nap for 70 cents a minute?

Have we become so lazy that we cannot properly function through an entire day without taking a nap?

I thought they abolished nap time after kindergarten, but apparently I was wrong.

According to the *USA Today* there is going to be a store in the Mall of America called MinneNAPolis. I wish I was making this up but, sadly, I'm not.

Moreover, one could probably directly correlate our

laziness as a society to our hesitation in response time to help our fellow Americans in need in New Orleans. Of course, and this will upset some of you, I don't really care about the victims of Hurricane Katrina.

It's not that I'm unsympathetic to their cause, and I certainly wish for no harm to come to any person of any nation, but did these people need a big flashing sign saying, "Leave now before the hurricane hits?"

It's not as if these people were caught in a freak fire, or a tornado, or an earthquake; they sat in the path of a hurricane.

Hurricanes do not just rise up off the coast in a matter of minutes or hours before they strike, they start in the ocean and it generally takes a few days before they make landfall.

I know if I were living in New Orleans and the weatherman came on TV and told me there was a hurricane coming, I would have packed my be-

longings and headed inland as far as necessary.

Yet, the most baffling part of it all is that there were people unwilling to leave their homes, even after their homes were under eight feet of water. Why? What's left to protect?

However, the government is partially at fault for the deaths and injuries which occurred during this disaster, but at some point we must draw the line to divide government stupidity and human stupidity.

Furthermore, there have been allegations of racial prejudice raised against FEMA and President Bush for their lack of immediate action during the disaster. Let me end that debate now: race had no bearing on the judgment calls of the government in regards to disaster relief and rescue efforts.

It was, very sadly, a matter of economics. The government found it cheaper to allow people to die and become injured

rather than evacuate an entire coastal region, white Americans and African Americans alike.

I have only raised the issue of Hurricane Katrina because everywhere I turn it is all I hear, and it is all that is debated.

What happened to these people is horribly tragic, but shouldn't our overall efforts as a society be more concerned about the future of the world population?

Shouldn't we be more concerned with reaching the top of the bell curve of petroleum? What about our soldiers still dying in Iraq for a cause that has not diminished the worldwide terrorist threat?

There are many other issues to list but I might as well skip to the point: If the government continually acts in a manner which suggests economics are the priority, how long will it be before the entire world population finds itself in the middle of a disaster?

Our decisions lead us through life



Lindsey Schuld
News Editor

We are the decisions we make.

Sometimes life is so beautiful, so precious and uniquely ours. While other times life seems to rain more than shine, to hurt more than help. Yet, true to its form, true to all existence, the miracles along with the catastrophes are all part of an intricate design that we ourselves create.

Anger is more of a decision than an emotion. There are plenty of things that will happen

that no one can control, things that may make us upset, but it is our decision to be upset about these situations.

I don't mean to preach, merely to expand thought. How hard is it to be happy, to enjoy and embrace life? Harder than it sounds, I suppose.

Think of those situations, though, the ones that lead you to have a bad day, the ones that create the situations that aren't as positive as you want them to be. You made those decisions, right? Most of the time, we make these decisions knowing fully that they may have negative consequences.

So, step up to the plate. Acknowledge that your life, the precious state of everything you believe in and everything you've become over your years, is all due to the decisions that

you've made; the decisions that have become who you are.

Most people are more understanding of their position in life when they become more understanding of why they brought themselves there.

Some of the biggest pains for me are things I didn't do in the past. Things I had excuses for getting out of or ignoring. Responsibilities to myself and to others that I figured could be somehow made up at a later time.

It's hard to redo something that happened yesterday. It's hard to allow yourself to feel okay about opportunities that become closed doors. There is nothing stopping you from reopening those doors, yet there is no promise that when you open them, the opportunities will still be there.

Living is about taking every moment you have and sharing it with every person that you love, possibly with every person you meet. It's about making the decisions which only allow positive consequences.

I'm not perfect, but that doesn't mean I'll stop trying.

The next step doesn't have to be a leap, or even an inch in the right direction. It could be just the opposite of where I want it to take me, but I've made the conscious decision that in the end, I'm the one who's brought myself there.

I won't hang my head over regrets I don't have, or should have. I'll smile at the opportunity to have those regrets, knowing that each of them becomes one of my decisions which will create the legacy I'm trying to somehow leave.

Intelligent design: not a matter of science



Brian Legg
Columnist

The theory of intelligent design being taught in a science class is absolutely ridiculous. Whether you believe in a creator or not, you really shouldn't disagree with the previous statement.

Science is the systematic observation of events, called phenomena, for the purpose of making inferences and assumptions about the world in which we live.

Things like gravity and reactivity, which can be observed

and tested, are the subject matter for science.

Granted, there are scientific theories that are much more complex, but these are based on the data collected by observing and testing base level phenomena.

This piece is not an endorsement for Darwinian Evolutionary Theory as undeniable fact. It has been shown that there are holes in this theory that should be pointed out, but the theory itself is a scientific one because it is based on observations and tests.

Intelligent design on the other hand, examines the complexity of earthly biology and assumes that it is too complex to have occurred through the guidance of a supreme being or force.

Whether this is the case or not is of no consequence to the

matter at hand. It is impossible to observe or test, let alone prove, this theory and therefore, it is not science.

Critics of intelligent design have been labeled atheists, but consider this: what happens if proponents of intelligent design come to find that the data they collect actually disproves their initial assumption? Or, on the flipside, they prove without a doubt that a creator exists?

Either of these conclusions would be earth shattering to those who subscribe to intelligent design; who are for the most part, religious individuals.

The first would mean there is no God and the second eliminates the mystery of faith, not to mention if the creator discovered turned out to be the God of another religion.

Science is equally comfortable disproving theories as well as proving them, but when your base assumption is critical to the foundation of your entire belief system as is the case for many proponents of intelligent design, why on earth would you ever question it objectively?

Science has given us many good things: chemistry, medicine and space travel. Religion has given us good things as well: community identity, charitable acts and the Spanish Inquisition (wait... that was bad).

Both have their place in society and actually pick up quite nicely where the other leaves off. But just as the Church of Scientology is bad news, so is the science of churchology (a.k.a. intelligent design).

Faith and questioning don't mix.

The history of your college paper

By Katie Triphan
Columnist

The most important voice that students have on campus is our newspaper. If we are satisfied with something, and more often if we are dissatisfied, we have a place to voice our opinion to be heard by people in high places, giving us a chance to make a difference.

Our newspaper, the unchristened *Stoutonia*, debuted on March 17, 1915. The paper was called *The Weekly News* and cost one cent per copy. The editorial staff thought this was a boring title and placed an editorial in the paper asking for ideas for a more "proper and suitable" name.

Several titles went into consideration; *Pi and Pies*, was suggested because, at the time, Stout was primarily an industrial arts education and home economics school. Secondly, the staff chose *Stout Weekly*, which wasn't a whole lot more interesting than the current *The Weekly News*, and thirdly they simply chose *The Stoutonia*.

It was settled by the fourth issue that *The Stoutonia* was to be the official moniker of the paper. However, this was not without controversy. Apparently there was strong concern that *The Stoutonia* sounded too much like a name of a local nightclub. Yes, I know that seems ridiculous. Keep in mind this was

ninety years ago. So, despite strong opposition, *The Stoutonia* it became and *The Stoutonia* it has remained.

In the beginning, the print shop was located in the basement below the Bowman Tower. In the 1960s the print shop was located on the first floor of Bowman Hall, while *The Stoutonia* office was located in the student center (not to be confused with the current student center which was built in the late 1980s where the current *Stoutonia* office is located).

During the 1970s, students had complete control of production of the newspaper, whereas prior to then, *The Stoutonia* staff was subject to the authority of a faculty advisor. The freedom may have proved to be too much, though, based upon the Valentines issue of 1975. Back then, students submitted valentines every year that they wished to have placed on the front page

of the paper. This particular year, however, someone saw fit to submit a valentine reading, "To 2A South, F*ck You! Love, 3A South Hall," which made it into print—on the front page, without the asterisk.

A copy of that paper made it into the hands of a student's parent who in turn wrote a letter to a senator named Daniel O. Theno. Basically, an apology was asked of the newspaper, but the Editor

in Chief of the time, David M. Liska, saw things differently. Instead of an apology, he wrote a letter back to the senator saying, "I am amazed to find that a reader has become upset with a word coined by 'German Monks in the 14th or 15th century.' A simple four letter word then can and does describe quite expressively a simple, natural process."

Evidently, the senator did not think the reply cute and retorted with a rather harsh letter

to Chancellor Robert Swanson threatening not to support further funding of *The Stoutonia*, stating "If I ever get such a letter as the enclosed again, [University of Wisconsin-Stout] shouldn't complain if I don't feel compelled to listen to your problems.

What kind of institution are you running?" Luckily, that threat was never substantiated.

Another incident that caused a similar stir occurred many years prior in 1927. A basketball field trip went awry. Students felt they had been treated badly due to strict rules and poor time management of the trip, and they sought a scapegoat. A very tactless article followed in *The Stoutonia* ripping down the office of the dean of women. The dean of women at the time, Daisy Kugel, took strong offense to the article.

However, the whole incident ended up being blown out of proportion and continued to escalate even after *The Stoutonia* apologized for the article. Sadly, Kugel eventually chose to resign her position.

Now, please don't think

that all of *The Stoutonia's* past is all buried dirt. Our school's newspaper has a lot of high points as well; after all, it has survived 90 years! Throughout the decades our paper has served as a medium to make many positive changes to the UW-Stout.

It's the little growing pains of the

past, though they were hardly small issues at the time, that are always such fun to read about today. After all, growing up in general, even for a newspaper, is also just another one of those "simple, natural processes."

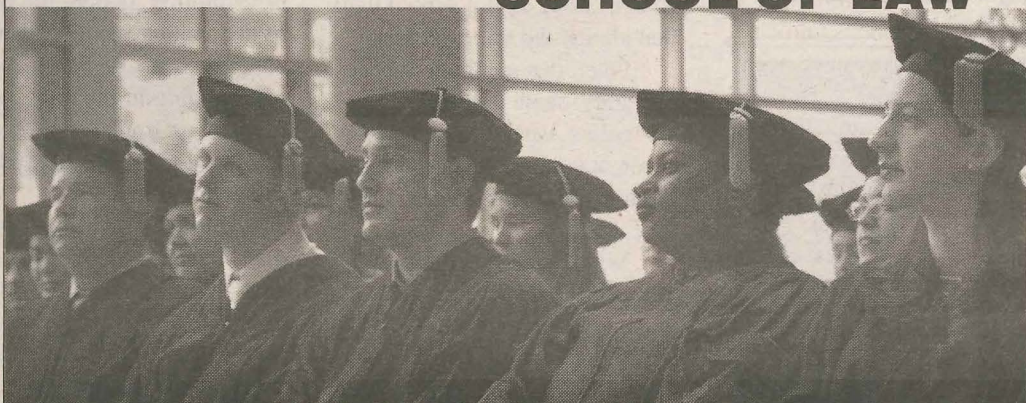


Stout Historical Society
Daisy Kugel, dean of women in 1927, took offense to an article.



Stout Historical Society
The Stoutonia was once called the Weekly News, then Stout Weekly.

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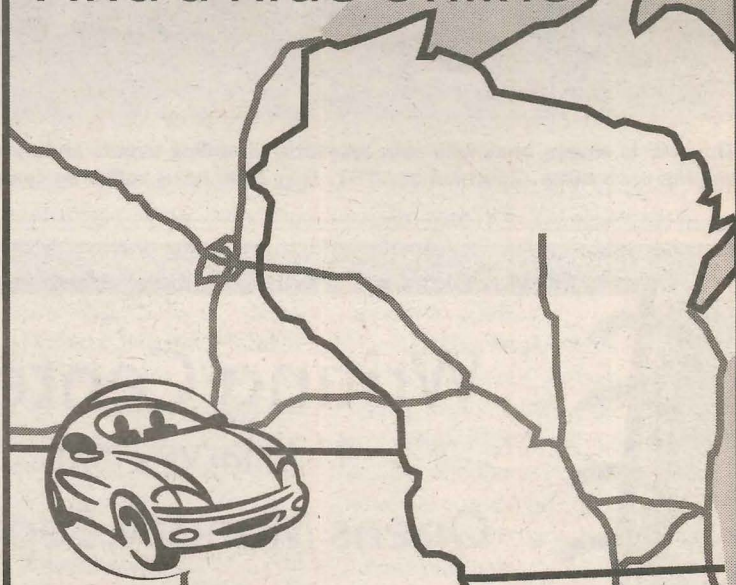
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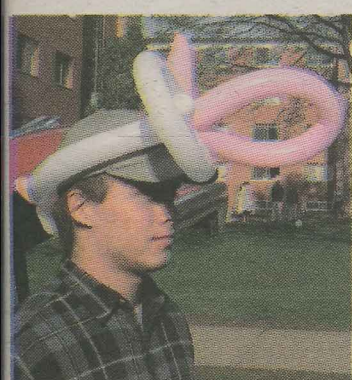
Auto Club, as much about people as cars

By Renee Currington
Campus Editor

The University of Wisconsin-Stout Auto Club is a very busy and resourceful group of cohesive students.

They have been active on campus ever since they were founded in 1967.

"We are the longest continuous chartered club at UW-Stout," said Justin Aulie, a technical education junior who is a



member of the Auto Club.

Club members love working on auto projects, going to auto shows and having fun. This weekend, members of the Auto Club plan to camp out at the 28th annual Fall Jefferson Car Show & Swap Meet in Jefferson, Wis. This event is one of the largest auto shows in the Midwest.

They have "Garage Night" every Thursday, during which the group gets together to do work of all kinds on club members' vehicles.

"We do anything automotive related—everything from the simplest to the pretty extensive," said Jeramie Rozencranz.

"I've always got projects for the club and old things to work on," says Rozencranz.

As a local business member in the community, Rozencranz helps provide the Auto Club a lot of opportunities and also en-

courages them to get involved in charitable community events.

Next weekend, on Oct. 1, the club will volunteer at the Knapp Lions Club Auto Show and Fall Festival.

With this many activities going on in the club, most people might think that running an auto club could get to be too expensive for students.

"We don't spend a lot of money," said Rozencranz. "We are completely self-sufficient."

Members of the club say they receive no funding from the SSA. Surprisingly, this organization also charges the lowest dues of clubs on campus.

They get some of their funds from corporate sponsors. Other funds come from their annual car show, which is held every spring during family weekend.

Another thing about the Auto Club that people may find



Courtesy of the Stout Auto Club

The Auto Club acquired a 1954 De Soto Firedome 330ci V8 Hemi in 1974. The club proudly shows this vehicle at their auto shows.

surprising is just how open the club is to women. For the past three years, the club has had female presidents.

Rachael Ossmann, a senior in food systems technology, serves as the Auto Club president. She joined the Auto Club last year to learn more about auto work and maintenance.

"I also joined the Auto Club for the people," said Ossmann.

"It's a lot of fun."

Members enjoy working together and helping each other.

"Our common interest is cars, but we go beyond that; we never hesitate to help other members with anything," said club treasurer Sachin Shah, who is a business senior and an industrial design sophomore.

"I'm very happy to be a part of the organization," said Shah.



Courtesy of the Stout Auto Club

The club is always busy with auto projects, attending events and making events of their own. They enjoy helping each other. Founded in 1967, they have been active on campus for longer than any other club.

Make your own choices



Renee Currington
Campus Editor

Now that the fall semester is underway, I am finally beginning to settle into my last year here at the University of Wisconsin-Stout. It is a school year that almost did not exist for me.

Over the summer, the opportunity came for me to start my career early. While on my co-op at a reputable company in Milwaukee, I was offered a full-time position.

My initial reaction to the job offer was rejection. I almost refused to give the offer any thought until I started getting into the work and making friends at the company.

As I began to toy with the idea of never leaving the company, September seemed very distant in the future. However, my supervisor didn't allow me to slip into limbo so easily. For weeks, he reminded me every day about the job offer.

An opportunity such as this job offer is the reason I've been going to college for over six years. How could I say no to the end of 14-hour days at school to move on to 40 hours per week at work? The down side is that I would have gone back to a part-time course load, which would have delayed my graduation by at least a year.

The reason I came to UW-Stout was to focus on my studies and to enjoy unique, enriching college experiences. I put extensive effort into planning my final year. I took heavy course loads

earlier on so I can enjoy a lighter course load now. I also worked hard to acquire two great jobs on campus.

The truth is, I did not want to face this decision because of the gravity of its implications on my life. I thought I could lift that burden with logic by gathering all the facts.

I spent about a month trying to find out if it was possible for me to finish my degree at another institution, hoping the results of this inquiry would narrow my choices. Instead, I found nothing standing in my way. At this point, I realized I had to make the decision by myself, based on my own intuition.

During a late week in August, I agonized over the decision. When I was at work, I didn't feel like going back to school. After work, I tended to think about all the people and places I would miss if I didn't come back to UW-Stout.

This is coming from someone who didn't really like UW-Stout at first. Almost three years ago, I moved clear across the state of Wisconsin in the dead of winter, away from everything familiar to me. I abandoned the comfort and personal space of my home to live with strangers in crowded, noisy dormitories.

Had I been offered the same job opportunity a year or two ago, I might not be here today. I now realize just how involved I am at UW-Stout and why I came here in the first place.

Many students already have been, and eventually will be, confronted with the same decision. It's never too early to start thinking about why you're here, where you're going and what you want to take with you from your college experience.

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Dan Adhoot knocks 'em dead



Natalie Rathmann
Entertainment Writer

Dan Adhoot, a comedian hailing from New York, has quite the resume. He has been a finalist on season two of NBC's "Last Comic Standing," has made appearances on Comedy Central's "Crank Yankers" and has opened for Lewis Black, Jay Mohr and Dave Chappelle.

Last Thursday, he added the Huff's stage in the Memorial Student Center to his list of prestigious appearances.

Originally, Adhoot went to Johns Hopkins University with the intention of becoming a doctor. He graduated with honors as a premed student, but discontinued his education in medicine in favor of his passion for comedy.

Adhoot is known for stretching the limits of good

taste, for hitting close to home and for his clever way of being able to relate to and connect with college students.

He opened his act by making sardonic observations about Menomonie.

For instance, he was amazed how Wal-Mart seemed to be the one-stop-shop for Menomonie, because this would never work in his native New York. He also made humorous mention of his fine dining experience at the well-known college haunt, Perkins.

Taking an edgier tone, he commented on the audience's lack of diversity and poked fun at his own Iranian descent. He somehow makes it easy to laugh along as he tells jokes of growing up with cultural barriers. His charm and wit make him lovable.

He went on to reminisce about his recent break-up with his girlfriend, which he was even able to bring humor to in spite of the unfortunate subject matter.

He joked about his college days, particularly his roommate experiences. He commented on typical roommate situations, from



Amy Magnuson/Stoutonia

Dan Adhoot is pictured here doing what he does best: comedy with a phone. During his Sept. 15 performance, he pulled audience members onstage and prank called their parents, to hilarious effect.

the one who eats all your food to the one that drinks too much.

Adhoot's act really began to grab people's attention when he made his prank calls, helping him to bond with his audience mem-

bers. During the performance, he pulled audience members up onstage and called their parents.

His prank calls, a gimmick for which he is well known, were the highlight of his performance.

Adhoot's performance was a success because of how well he related to his audience. He puts a lot of passion in his performance, and it is obvious he loves what he does.

Controllers get upgraded



Ami Kriho
Entertainment Writer

Last Thursday night, at the Tokyo Game Show, Nintendo president Satoru Iwata unveiled the new Nintendo Revolution controller.

The remote-style controller is cordless and meant to be held in one hand. Moving the remote directly controls movement on the screen through two sensors that are placed near the television and through a chip inside the remote.

There is a large "A" button on the front of the controller, which should be pushed with the thumb, and a "B" trigger button on the back for the index finger. It also has a "D-pad" on top, "Start" and "Select" buttons in the middle, "a" and "b" buttons on the bottom, and a mysterious "Home" button.

Lights on the bottom of the controller indicate which player it belongs to, and it has a built-in rumble feature. The second part of the controller is attached to a port on the base of the remote. It has an analog stick, two trigger buttons and is meant to be held in the other hand.

If you're still scared

of this new design, or think that it may not be for you, the Revolution will also have Gamecube controller ports.

So why use a new design after so many years of success with the standard design? According to Nintendo's game-design guru Shigeru Miyamoto, it is to amplify one of Nintendo's open-water goals of reaching a new audience with its simple structure while at the same time keeping in touch with traditional gamers.

Several crude games were available at the Tokyo Game Show for demonstration. Of the people who actually used the controller in the demos, there were virtually no negative reactions.

Even Matt Casamassina, an

IGN editor who is best known for his criticism of Nintendo, is raving about it and left its demonstration no less than impressed. Software developers are excited about it as well.

"While our portfolio represents a full array of titles across all genres, I think our sports titles might be the first to immediately take advantage of what this novel freehand type of control has to offer," said John Schappart, Senior Vice President and general manager of Electronic Arts in Canada.

"It's a system that's designed with an eye on enticing new players to the video game industry, and that's something we firmly support," confirmed Chuck Huebner, Head of Worldwide Studios, a division of Activision.

"We're excited about the new controller and are looking forward to taking advantage of its innovative aspects," said Serge Hascoet, Chief Creative Officer of Ubisoft.

If you're shunning this as a grave for Nintendo without ever having tried the thing, think about this: Nintendo is responsible for nearly every design aspect of the modern-day controller.

After the news of the Revolution's release, Sony claimed that their boomerang-shaped controller was now a "conceptual design," despite having proudly displayed it for four months.



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The Nintendo Revolution controller is cordless and meant to be held in one hand. Moving the remote directly controls movement on the screen.

Asking "The Question"

Emery's latest album rises to the occasion

Andrew Ridgeway
Entertainment Writer

Like many, I asked the obvious question: "What is the 'Question' Emery is referring to on their new CD?" After doing some simple research, the answer became quite clear.

The question is stated inside the CD case: "Where were you when I was...?" The ellipses at the end of the question can be filled in by the titles of each song, and the answers to each individual question are hidden in the lyrics of each song.

After successfully answering that first question, another question arose to my attention. Will "The Question" live up to the quality of Emery's previous album, "The Weak's End?"

Fortunately, "The Question" rises to the occasion and extends the band's growing reputation of complex and meaningful lyrics, intense screams, dynamic keys and harsh, ferocious guitars.

The most popular song off the new album is "Studying Politics." It is bound to catch the attention of anyone who is into any subgenre of the rock scene. This song is melodic, catchy and lyrically intense. In fact, the lyrics alone comprise a poetic masterpiece, full of brutal themes.

"A mark beneath the chin, I've caught you once again,"

is one example. There is also great use of metaphors, such as, "It's like a pencil with erasers at both ends / I want it all but we're dealing in percents."

The album is full of catchy tunes that will satisfy anyone's dancing shoes, but there is one fault that could be improved upon.

In "The Weak's End," the vocals lean more towards half singing and half screaming.

While there is still screaming in "The Question," it does not even come close to the vocal balance of their previous album that helped create such a strong bond between Emery and their fans.

Some of these fans, especially the early ones who bonded so tightly with Emery's unique music style, may consider this a betrayal.

To others, it may seem like the band simply matured into a more intellectual and dynamic sound.

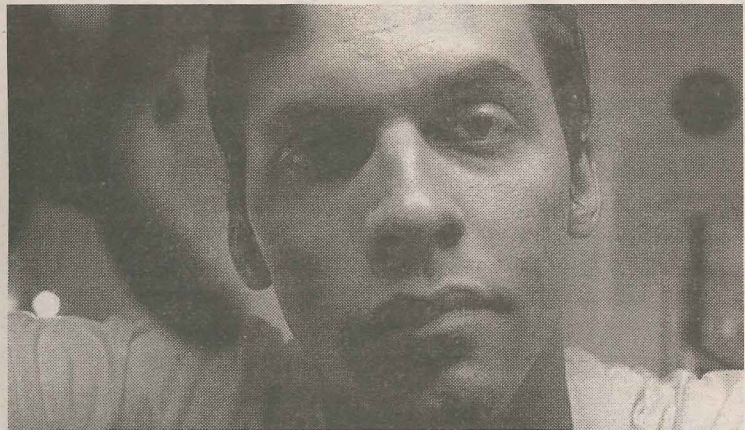
It's easy to see both sides of this argument, and to me this controversy is the only subject of concern in Emery's sophomore release.

Overall, "The Question" receives 4 out of 5 stars. It is an extremely dynamic and lyrically intense album that has something to give to anyone who is willing to just reach out and take it.

I highly recommend this album to anyone who listens to any genre of the rock scene.

A sit-down with Slug

Front-man for Atmosphere shares insights



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Slug, the vocalist for the legendary underground group Atmosphere, is expressive and unafraid in his lyricism. He performs Sept. 23 at the Great Hall in the Memorial Student Center.



Mike Ryan

Entertainment Writer

My first encounter with Atmosphere frontman Slug had apparently begun on the wrong foot when he told me to call back in two minutes. I cursed myself for calling early and shook uncontrollably for the ensuing two minutes, during which Slug (as he later explained to me) ordered a hotdog from a corner vender. Eventually, though, I was able to speak with the prominent lyricist.

His show this Friday at the University of Wisconsin-Stout marks a return to the Midwest for Atmosphere, as they continue their national "Pour Me Another" tour. Slug is enjoying this year's tour, promoting his new "You Can't Imagine How Much Fun We're Having" album as they hit cities from coast to coast.

On the upcoming release, Slug credits influences and themes that are rarely cited. Such influences include the seasons of the year, certain states of mind and the name Christina.

He finds that as his career progresses, his issues of concern change, as do his influences.

"When it comes to influences," said Slug, "anything I do is a part of it. My life and everything that I do are what influence me. It's like I reach out into the world and grab certain things and pull them in with the tentacles of the octopus that is me."

Slug feels that his new album is more relevant and is more socially aware than his previous works, commenting that, "As I got older and less insecure, I didn't feel the need to write about so much insecurity, and I can focus now on what matters."

As stated earlier, his inspirations vary greatly, but he feels it is important to speak his mind.

"If I want to write a song about having sex with Christina Ricci, I'll write one. If I hate sit-ups, I'll write a song about that too. On the other hand, sometimes I feel strongly about politics or society, and I can write about those things, as well."

Certainly, Slug is expressive and unafraid in his lyricism, and as his career continues, his fans continue to expect the same level of honesty in his lyrics.

Slug's carefree yet professional attitude is no doubt what continues to propel him in the music industry.

Overall, Slug appreciates his fans' support just as much as fans appreciate his music, and his sole intention is to introduce himself to the listener through his lyrics.

"The music is always, and always will be, a gateway to who I am," said Slug. "I'm never going to be the dopest MC in the world, but if I can expose me as a person, I'll be accomplishing something."

His show at UW-Stout will no doubt be one to remember, so come out and support Slug and Atmosphere at the Great Hall on Sept. 23 at 8:00 p.m.

Slug even agreed to try to give *The Stoutonia* a shout-out during his show, though he couldn't promise anything, stating, "There are still lots of beers until then."

Serial storytelling abused



Matt Schubbe

Entertainment Writer

Ah, TV, the wonderful electronic IV that runs my heart.

One of my favorite things about it is the concept of continuing storylines.

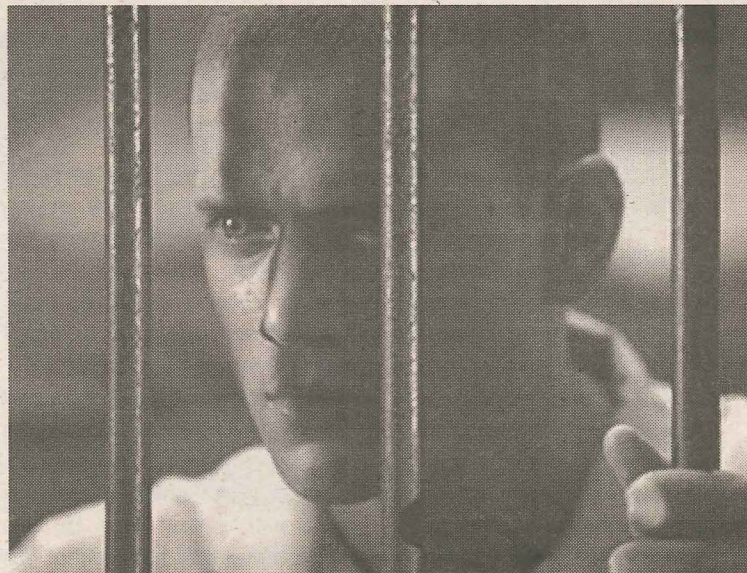
You get to follow your favorite characters week after week as they get into and out of relationships, problematic situations and bed (sometimes all three at the same time).

Unfortunately, there seems to be a recurring trend in the new crop of series being developed for major networks: trying to make a series out of a very short-term concept.

Why is it that networks, particularly FOX, are taking concepts that would work better as TV movies or miniseries and trying to create full-fledged multiple season shows out of them?

I can't begin to rattle off the dozens of shows that were set up this way. The most recent example is the upcoming FOX show, "Prison Break."

This show is about a man who wants to break his wrongfully convicted brother out of prison by staging a bank robbery so he can become



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Above: Michael Scofield, played by Wentworth Miller, is one of the scheming inmates in FOX's upcoming "Prison Break." Below: the cast of "24" returns for another season.

an inmate at the same jail as his brother. All this so he can eventually break his brother out.

If I remember correctly, the show's main character is also very familiar with the inner workings of the prison he will be sent to because he was one of the engineers that helped build the place.



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The show's plot, even though it's kind of scatterbrained, might pass if it wasn't an episodic, season-to-season show.

"Prison Break" has a two-hour premiere coming up.

Couldn't they somehow just cover the series' entire plot in that amount of time?

It seems shortsighted

to have the plot so focused and then drag the series out, stretching each episode so they can make another.

Is it going to be like "Hogan's Heroes," with fresh storylines each week about the main characters getting thwarted as they try to escape?

Not likely.

And speaking of long, drawn-out premieres, let's talk about "24."

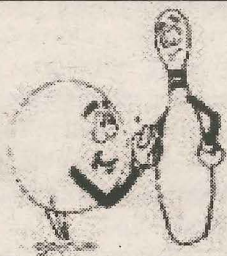
I know many of my friends love this show, so I won't be too harsh, but I just read that this show is having a four-hour season premiere over two nights. I will repeat this, because it bears repeating: a four-hour season premiere.

Are they covering four whole hours out of the twenty-four?

Well, if that changes the episode airdates I guess they can always show reruns, or should I say "encores," of other episodes if the season wraps early.

It's "24," so no matter what happens, people will watch.

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>Jerry Way, Higher Grounds Coffee House, 6 p.m., Free.

Friday, Sept. 23

>Monroe Crossing, Mabel Tainter Theater, 8 p.m., \$14/12.
>Atmosphere, Great Hall, 8 p.m., 10 students, \$15 public.
>Green Mountain Rebels + Jim Pullman Band, Stones Throw, 10 p.m., \$3.
>Travis and Jonny, Acoustic Cafe, Free.

Saturday, Sept. 24

>Chamber Orchestra, Mabel Tainter Theater, 8 p.m., \$14/12.
>Bulldogs, Mousetrap, 10 p.m., Free.
>Jeff Ray, Acoustic Cafe, Free.
>Black Flood diesel + No Loving Place + Niobium, House of Rock, 10 p.m., \$5.

Sunday, Sept. 25

>Acousticats, Wissota View, 4-8 p.m., Free.

Monday, Sept. 26

>Conrad Johns & The New River City Jazz Band, Stones Throw, 6 to 8 p.m., Free.
>The Q-tet, Stones Throw, 9 p.m., Free.

Tuesday, Sept. 27

>No events scheduled.

Wednesday, Sept. 28

>Audio Adrenaline, UWEC's Zorn Arena, 7 p.m., \$19
>opened, \$21 door.
>Open Stage, house band, Stones Throw, 9:45 p.m., Free.
>The Run Off Band, Klassix, 7 p.m., Free.

Thursday, Sept. 29

>Open Mic, Acoustic Cafe, 8 p.m., Free.
>The Runoff, Mousetrap, 10 p.m., Free.
>Freshwater Collins + The Space Rangers, House of Rock, 10 p.m., \$4.

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Cage globally up in arms



Jarrod Burns and
William Butchee

Entertainment Writers

Yuri Orlov (Nicolas Cage) is the world's most notorious arms dealer at the peak of his career. "Lord of War" chronicles Yuri's rise from obscurity to his morally ambiguous profession.

Yuri and his family were Ukrainian immigrants living in one of New York's roughest neighborhoods. Yuri and his brother (Jared Leto) worked in their parent's restaurant. When Yuri witnessed a mob hit one day, he was started on a path that eventually led him to realize the lucrative marketing potential of firearms.

He knows that his is a less than honorable business, but his natural business savvy and salesmanship enable him to justify his work—to himself, to his family and, through first-person narration, to the audience.

JB: The film surprisingly turned out to be a sort of docudrama with darkly comic moments.

WB: The movie was well done, but as I left the theater, I had the feeling that I had seen it before.

JB: I felt myself thinking the same thing. I can't help but compare "Lord of War" to



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Yuri Orlov, played by Nicolas Cage, is an international arms dealer at the height of his career, though his soul may be plumbing the depths. Moral ambiguity abounds in this darkly comic, thoughtful docudrama.

"Blow," due to its similar story and gritty realistic style. It's inevitable that people will say "Lord of War" is the same as the movie "Blow," but with guns instead of drugs. Personally, though, I wouldn't go that far.

WB: I have not seen "Blow," but "Lord of War" does remind me of "Goodfellas." This doesn't have to affect "Lord of War" negatively, though. The photography, editing and setting make it stand out from the films that share similar stories.

JB: I thought the photography was one of the best parts of the movie. The angles and framing were original and made the film stand out. What was particularly interesting, I felt, was a time-lapse scene that shows twenty-four hours in about a minute.

WB: The opening scene alone made this movie awesome. The point of view of a bullet being

manufactured, shipped and fired was the backdrop for the opening credits. This scene sets up the film's subjects of not only the people firing the guns, but where the guns come from and how they get into the hands of the people who fire them.

JB: The main character, Yuri, is well played by Nicolas Cage. Very convincing.

WB: Jared Leto and Ethan Hawke both play competent supporting roles, but it's actually Eamonn Walker as Andre Baptiste Sr., the self appointed Liberian president, and Bridget Moynahan as Yuri's wife, Ava, who steal the show as the two largest influences on Yuri's character.

JB: All of the actors played their roles so well that while watching the movie I never even found myself thinking about the acting. The realistic

nature of the story, which drew from historical events, kept me enthralled from start to finish. It didn't even feel like I was watching a work of fiction.

WB: The story behind "Lord of War" parallels world events while inserting Yuri Orlov into them, in the same way that the title character of "Forrest Gump" was inserted into historical events. "Lord of War," while showing the horrors of war, never gets preachy with any pro- or anti-gun messages. It remains a story of fiction, presented as non-fiction, and leaves the judgments about guns up to the viewer to make.

What's it worth?

Jarrod

Worth the price of admission.

William

Definitely worth the price of a ticket.

Prihoda performance a mixed bag



Mike Ryan

Entertainment Writer

An enthusiastic crowd packed comfortably into the Acoustic Cafe on Sept. 15 to hear Prihoda, a band known for their variety of instruments and upbeat sound.

For approximately twenty minutes, a string of technical difficulties resulted in perhaps

the longest sound check in the history of coffeshop concerts.

During this time, I couldn't help but wonder how many times the lead singer, a diva in her own right, had watched Mariah Carey's "Glitter." I also wondered what in the world one of their members was doing with a saxophone.

Though my first question went mysteriously unanswered throughout the set (although various audience members agreed the answer was at least nine), my second question was answered as soon as the saxophonist, apparently a local teacher known simply as "Special

K," began captivating the crowd with brilliant improvisation.

While this happened, catcalls and cheers came from what appeared to be a portion of the Menomonie eighth grade class, probably seeking As in Mr. Special K's course (I noted some of them even went so far as to buy Prihoda's CD). Aside from Special K's saxophone, Prihoda's array of instruments included a flute, a violin, guitar, drums and a six-stringed bass.

Like most in the crowd, I found myself impatient as they muddled through bland and unclear verses drowned out by the violin, which went amazingly unchecked during their extensive finagling with the P.A. system.

This was until they began the second half of their songlist, which featured some very good

solos done on the jazz flute, bass and sax.

Don't get me wrong, Prihoda exhibited some great talent in their set, but their true musical prowess was only on display when their Dave Mathews-like verses ended and their jazzy improvisation took over.

It was evident from the post-concert attitude of the non-eighth grade audience members that the audience would have liked to hear the band deviate more from the sound normally heard from the stereos of college freshmen.

Overall, the audience consensus seemed to be that the concert was entertaining, but far from ground-breaking.

As summed up by one smirking but disgruntled fan, "It was everything that I've come to expect from a Chippewa Valley jam band."

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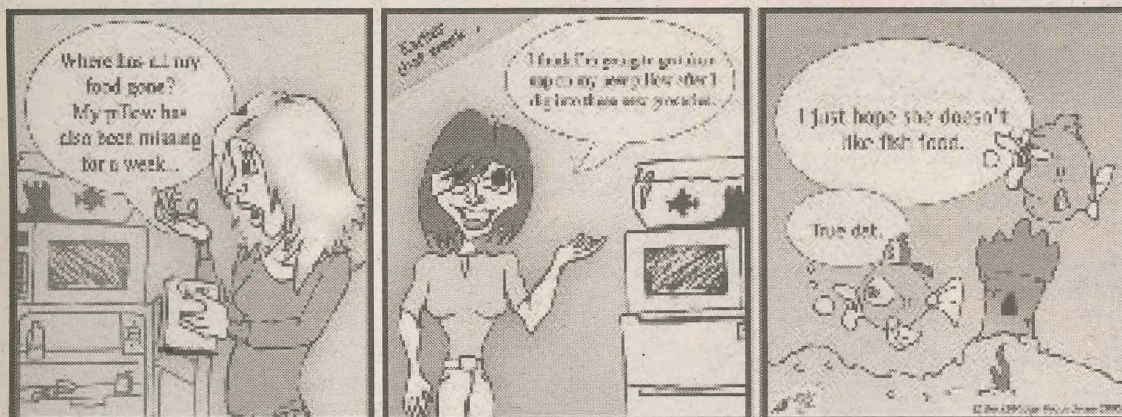
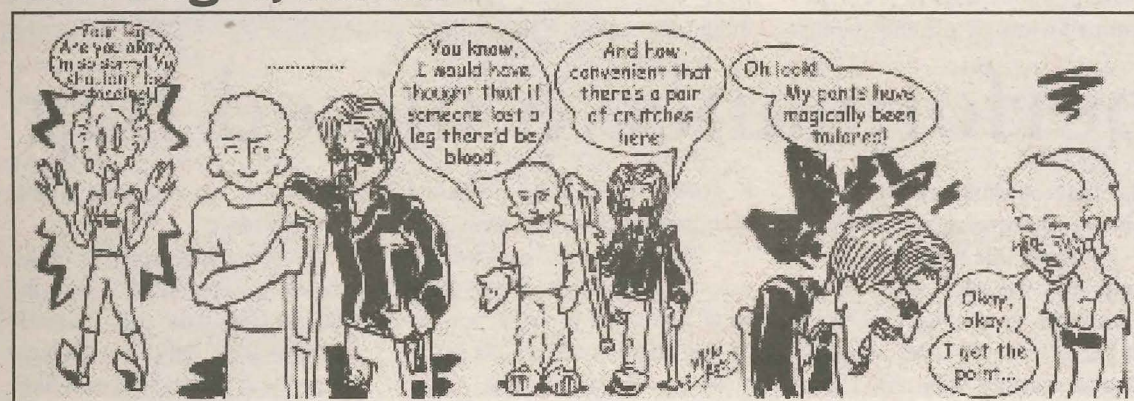
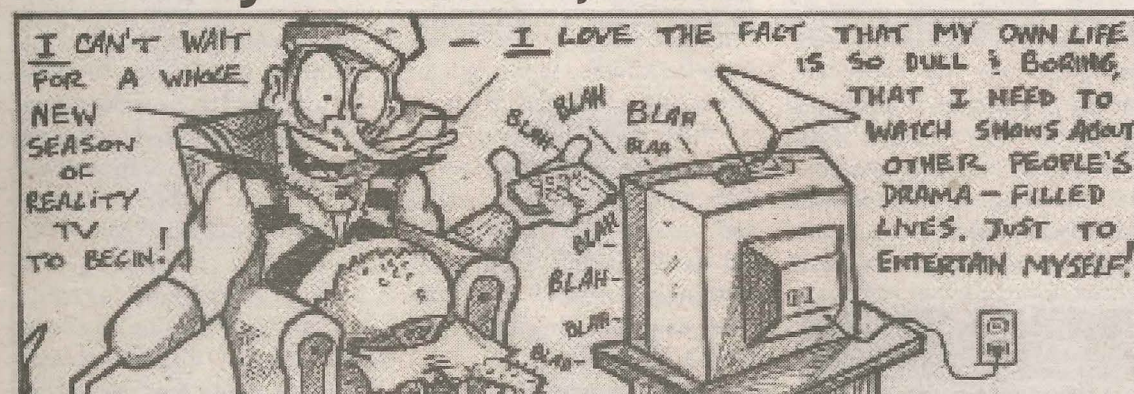
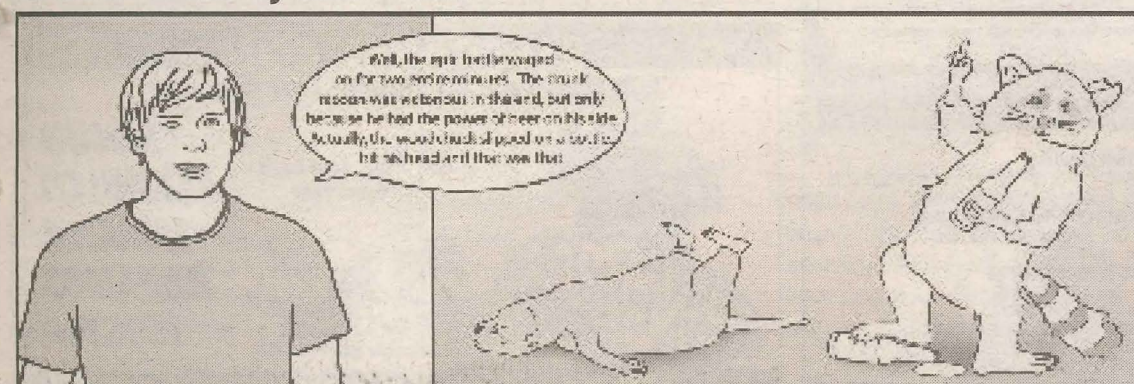
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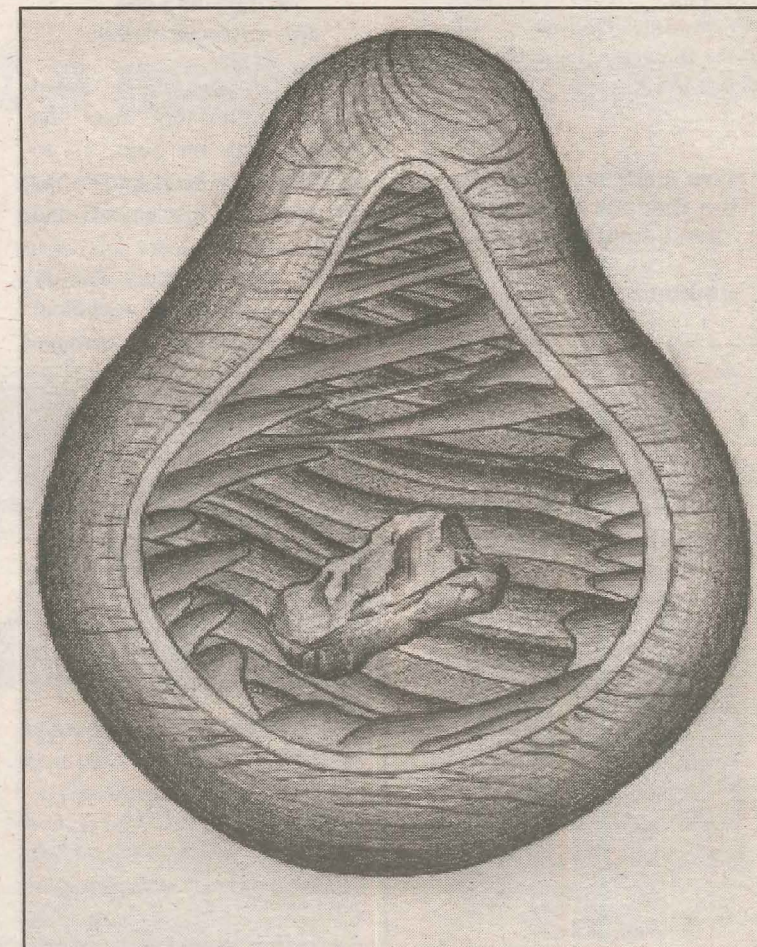
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Volleyball team restructures

By Rachel Wick
Sports Editor

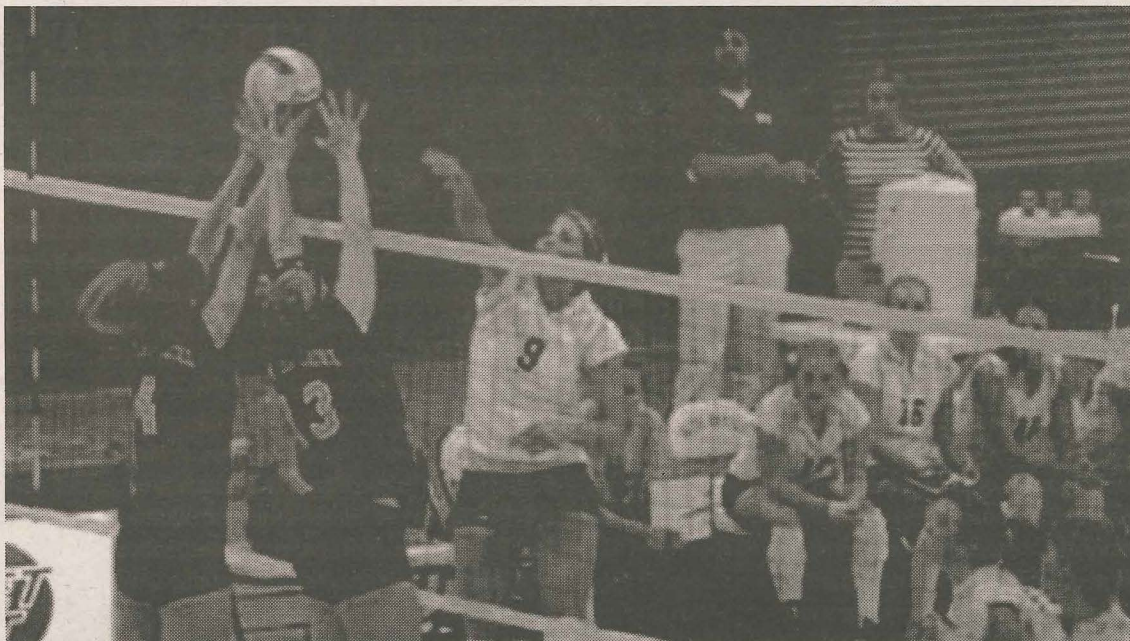
The University of Wisconsin-Stout women's volleyball team returns this season in the wake of last year's phenomenal season, which saw the Blue Devils finish 31-5 overall, clinch the Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Conference Championship and competed in the NCAA Division III playoffs.

This season, there is a major difference, well, make that three differences in the absence of three star players that the team graduated in All-Americans Tanille Hartwig and Brooke Viegut; in addition to Erin Heger who led UW-Stout in assists. The Blue Devils also lost four-year veteran players Scooter Aspen and Lindsey Mensik.

Such a hit would leave most coaches discouraged at the least, but not Jill Joliff who steps into her 13th season as head coach. Instead, Joliff is using the opportunity to build a new team with the assistance of senior libero Rachel Linbo and junior outside hitter Jenny McDermid.

"It was not a bad restructuring, but a refreshing restructuring type thing," Joliff said. Myself and my assistant just have to remind ourselves that we have to go back to basics and sometimes after being at that level the last two years it's hard to say okay, we have to go back to this, but we've adjusted to it and the players have adjusted to it. We just need to spend a little bit more time on basic skills knowing that next year and the following year it all will be beneficial, we just have to run with it."

Joliff's optimism could be due to a combination of things: a solid crop of freshman, a number of seasoned transfer students, ten returning players and the fact that the Blue Devils presently hold a record of (9-3, 2-1) and are tied with the University of Wisconsin-Platteville for first



Contributed by Layne Pitt
The returning Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Conference champion UW-Stout women's volleyball is off to a strong start and are currently posting a 9-3 overall record and 2-1 in the WIAC.

place in the WIAC. Despite the strong start, UW-Stout isn't making any assumptions regarding the level of play that the team is up against in a tough WIAC conference. According to Joliff, all the teams in the conference pose a potential threat for the Blue Devils.

"I think that everybody that has been typically strong is strong," said Joliff. Superior has started off well, Stevens Point has a decent record, Oshkosh beat River Falls and where we are sitting at right now I view everyone in the WIAC as a threat just based on our youthfulness and our ups and downs. This conference is so competitive on a regular basis; you just can't count anyone out."

While the Blue Devils should by no means be counted out as a contender for the WIAC title, Joliff is the first to admit that this will not be an easy feat for her team.

"Not that I don't want to win it, but I would be happy with a top four finish with this group that I have," said Joliff. Winning it, we're going to have to bring our A-game every match."

According to Joliff, the team's process of developing as a unit and the learning process differs from recent years.

"I don't think that we're

rebuilding, I think that we're still going to be very competitive and it's just that this year we're going to have to learn a lot on the fly," said Joliff. In matches, a situation will come up that we haven't been able to go over in practice, there is a lot more teaching in matches this year than there has been in the last two years. The joy of this group is watching the light bulbs come on in those younger players, when all of a sudden they go, so if I do that then I'm blocking better and hitting better."

Linbo brings three years of experience to the court as the lone returning senior and was second for the Blue Devils in digs last season with an average of 4.24 per game.

"She is just a natural leader, said Joliff. "She's our hustler on the court, I mean everybody hustles, but she talks the most and digs balls galore and I think her hustle, everyone feeds off that so she leads very well off and on the court."

McDermid returns as UW-Stout's leading hitter and blocker and averaged 1.71 kills per game last season.

"She's been playing well and she brings a lot of blocking to the game, so because of the group that we have, every-

body throws her two cents worth at every practice and at every game. It's a complete team effort with this group," said Joliff.

Joliff also spotlights some potential talent in freshman outside hitter Lacey Bunkelman and Shannon Lentz. Joliff says that Bunkelman has started off really strong because no one was aware of her skill and that Lentz has made some major improvements on the right side.

"Those two are going to be two key young players to watch out for," said Joliff.

September 23-24 the Blue Devils will face the University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire, the University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point, the University of Wisconsin-River Falls and Millikin University at the UW-Eau Claire Tournament.

Soccer/returns

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"Hey, it's a long season and we're only six games into it," Morris said. "We just had two tough league games and there will be more. I would say that the winner of Saturday's game will a bit of a leg up early in the season."

Joining Gegare as 2005 captains are fellow seniors: Gail Bobholz, Heidi Schulz and Kelly Stolarczyk. Schulz—a hard-nosed midfielder—earned WIAC defensive player of the week honors last week.

Morris was quick to praise the River Falls native.

"I think Heidi Schulz is the most underrated player in the nation," Morris said. "She's the kind of athlete that makes women's athletics so exciting. She has the whole package. She's one of our leaders, and just a tremendous influence on our program."

If you haven't been out to Nelson Field to watch a game yet this fall, Morris says you shouldn't have any excuses.

"If you want to watch some of the highest level soccer in Division III, you should come out and watch us play," Morris said. "Soccer has everything—speed, contact, passion, gamesmanship—and we have some really good athletes running around. I think it's the best ticket in town."

The Blue Devils take on the Pointers at 2 p.m. Saturday at Nelson Field, as UW-Stevens Point tries to become the first team to score a goal against UW-Stout goalkeeping in weeks.

STOUTONIA'S Athlete OF THE Week

UW-Stout midfielder Heidi Schultz assisted the Blue Devil defense in tallying a 361 minute three game shutout streak.

The Blue Devils have not allowed a goal since Sept. 3 and will host UW-Stevens Point Sept. 24 at 2 p.m.

Schultz has accumulated 16 shots so far this season as the Blue Devils have posted an 4-0-2 overall record and a 1-

0-1 record in the WIAC.

Last season Schultz started in 20 games for UW-Stout, tallied 70 shots, ten goals and 20 assists.

During the 2004 season Schultz, a senior graphic design major hailing from River Falls made key goals against Beloit and UW-River Falls and was named Academic All-Region.

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Blue Devil midfielder Heidi Schultz, assisted the team in a three game shutout week to earn Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Conference honors.



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Next Game:
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CROSS COUNTRY

St. Olaf Invitational
Men: 7th Women: 7th
Next Meet:
Oct. 1 at the Beloit Old English Invitational



TENNIS (2-3)

5-4 FINAL

The team dropped a 7-2 loss to the UW-Eau Claire Sept. 20
Next Match:
Hosts UW-Stout Triangular
Saturday Sept. 24



SOCCER (6-0-2)

0-0 FINAL

The Blue Devils ended the Sept. 17 contest against UW-Oshkosh in a tie.
Next Game: Sept. 24 hosts UW-Stevens Point



VOLLEYBALL

(9-4, 2-2) 3-0 FINAL

The volleyball team dropped a 3-0 loss to UW-River Falls on Wednesday.
Next Match: Sept. 23 at UW-Eau Claire Invitational



Soccer remains undefeated

By Bryan Horwath
Sports Writer

Coming off one of the most successful soccer seasons in the University of Wisconsin-Stout's history, the Blue Devil soccer team has shown little interest in letting up so far in 2005.

the season with a tough 2-2 tied against St. Olaf College.

One of the things that head coach Dave Morris is most pleased with is the way his players have performed on the defensive end. UW-Stout is currently in the midst of a 361-minute scoreless streak.

[the goalkeeping] position and I think Charla Buxbaum is really emerging as a leader."

Since the women's team was upgraded to varsity in 1995, the Blue Devils had never finished a season higher than fifth in the WIAC. That all changed last year as Stout came out of

the league felt that [UW-Stout's success in 2004] was kind of a flash in the pan," Morris said. "That's fine, everyone has their thing, but we also feel like we can compete with every team we play. We have no choice but to compete and see where we stand."

UW-Stout will have a golden opportunity on Saturday as UW-Stevens Point, picked again as preseason favorites to capture the WIAC title, travels to Menomonie, for what is potentially a statement making game for the team.

Senior midfielder, Tanya Gegare, thinks UW-Stout is up to the challenge.

"We had a good year last year, and we expected to have another good one," Gegare said. "We have a lot of freshmen this year and we lost some good players [to graduation], but we think we can compete with anybody. I think we're ready for Stevens Point, and it should be a great game."

The fact that the Blue Devils lost 2004 all-region players Carrie Schrank and Melissa Ballweg, and is still talking about competing for championships appears to speak to the progress of Morris' program.

When asked, however, if this might be one of the biggest soccer games in UW-Stout's history on Saturday, Morris was quick to put things into perspective.

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Photo Courtesy of Layne Pitt

The Blue Devil women's soccer team is off to a roaring start this season posting an overall record of 6-0-2 while going 1-0-1 in the Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Conference.

After six games this fall, UW-Stout is sporting a 6-0-2 overall record and a 1-0-1 mark in Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Conference play.

The Blue Devils have defeated the University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire, played to a scoreless tie with the University of Wisconsin-Oshkosh, and have non-conference victories over Concordia University, the University of St. Scholastica and the Milwaukee School of Engineering. UW-Stout opened

In fact, Morris' three-headed goalkeeping monster of Charla Buxbaum, Katie Thompson and Anna Peterson has not allowed an opponent to score since Concordia netted a goal September 3.

"I thought we were going to be strong defensively," Morris said. "We were very strong a year ago, but we lost some very good players. The question was goalkeeping and, so far, we look pretty good. Everyone we've played has been good at

nowhere to post a 15-3-2, 6-1-1 mark and a second-place finish to powerhouse the University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point.

Since coming to UW-Stout from the East Coast, Coach Morris has not been shy about his desire to compete for national championships at UW-Stout. Although his program may not be to that level quite yet, a solid 2004, followed up by another good year could vault the Devils into uncharted territory.

"I think some people around

Blue Devils striding into the season

By Matt Edison
Sports Writer

The race is off this season for the University of Wisconsin-Stout men's and women's cross country teams, and it's a race to the finish.

Starting the race, the Blue Devil men's cross country team, which is led by its five team captains: seniors Mark Kempen, Brett Heimstead, John Maresh; junior Nate Haeny and sophomore Dave Schonscheck.

Coach Josh Buchholz has returned for a third season as the UW-Stout men's cross country coach.

"This season, we have a lot of potential as a team and we are ahead of the game this year," said Buchholz.

There are also three rookies that will have to step up in order for them to keep pace with the wild pack.

"I am very pleased with Matt Kennedy in that last meet he ran," said Buchholz.

The extensive time that was spent practicing during the summer, and all the hours logged in the weight room, should pay off for the team this season.

During the summer, the

team ran up to 100 miles each week in order for them to stay on top of their game.

"We have a strong team this season, all the underclassmen who have all matured this year should help out," coach Buchholz said.

The team is equipped with a roster of 25 runners this season, a number which Buchholz likes to be at.

"This year so far has been the easiest for me because all the captains are taking charge and they know what to do," said Buchholz. "To have a team that is easy to work with is always a plus to have while being a coach."

Last weekend in Minnesota, at the University of St. Olaf, the UW-Stout men's team placed seventh out of 15 teams. According to Buchholz, as in previous years, the University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire, the University of Wisconsin-Whitewater and the University of Wisconsin-River Falls are all going to be fierce competition for the Blue Devils this season.

The UW-Stout women's cross country team also returns a solid team this year.

"With many top notch run-



Contributed by Layne Pitt

Junior Carly Mann and freshman Rachel Richardson keep pace with one another at the St. Olaf Invitational Saturday Sept. 17.

ners returning this season, we should be at the top of our game," said the head coach Joe Harlan.

The veterans that have returned to the race for UW-Stout are sophomores Bridgette Crozier and Abbey Ring; juniors Carly Mann and Stephanie Nichols and seniors Christine Enger and Laura Eysnogle.

There are also six rookies that joined the team this season, and Coach Harlan is optimistic regarding their contributions.

"Two of our rookies have potential to be in the top seven," said Coach Harlan.

On Saturday, Sept. 17, the Blue Devils kicked off the season at the 20-team St. Olaf Invitational, and had three runners finish in the top 40, to pace the team to a seventh overall finish. Local rivals, UW-Eau Claire took third overall, and the Blugolds are expected to be tough competition for UW-Stout this year.

"Overall, I truly think that as a whole the team has really blossomed over the past couple of years," said Harlan.

Both teams will compete at the Beloit Old English Style on October 1.

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Employers line up to hire students

By Kristie Wilson
News Writer

The 27th annual Career Conference is coming up Wednesday, Oct. 12 and Thursday, Oct. 13 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. in the Great Hall and Ballrooms in the Memorial Student Center. There will be more than 200 employers and 360 employer representatives attending.

The Career Conference is free and not just for juniors and seniors. Everyone is invited to have the opportunity to meet with a wide variety of companies. Freshman and sophomores are encouraged to come and get their foot in the door and start talking to companies they might be interested in. Bring a guest, too; their goal this year is to have 4,000 guests attend.

"Use it as a career expo to learn about companies and what they provide," said Ray Rivera, Career Conference coordinator and University of Wisconsin-Stout counselor, on younger classes going to the conference.

The Career Conference committee tried their best to incorporate all majors at the career conference. Don't be discouraged to go up to a company and ask if they offer positions in your major. The companies have to narrow down what majors they are looking for when they come to the

conference, but it doesn't mean they don't have others available.

"We probably have the most employers attending our conference in the Midwest," said Rivera.

Some tips to keep in mind: be very active to make the most of the experience. Keep your eyes and ears open. Do not interrupt. Hand your resume to someone, do not just drop it off. If you discover a company you're interested in, find out how to set up an interview. Also, if you are going to try to get an interview, dress nicely, you will make a better impression.

Each company evaluates the conference and one thing they want students to keep in mind is how they dress. They feel that students are not properly dressed. Another complaint is that there is not enough faculty and staff attending. Employers commented that they like to talk to faculty to learn more about the programs and skills offered to students.

"It brings recognition to the university because of the quality of the event, it enhances our reputation," said Rivera.

It is also a good idea to register on the Student Stout Career Link, where you can turn in your resume and set up interviews online.

If you have any other questions visit the Career Services website.



Kristie Wilson/Stoutonia

The banner above was 30 feet long and suspended on the top of two light poles. Though a prank for the thief or thieves, the loss of the banners cost Career Services too much money to replace.

Conference banners stolen

By Lindsey Schultdt
News Editor

Three banners, advertising the Career Conference that is coming to the University of Wisconsin-Stout on Oct. 12 and 13, were stolen from their placed locations on Sept. 22 and Sept. 27.

"It is extremely frustrating," said Dr. LaMont Meinen, the director of Career Services. "We invested over \$700 in these three new banners, in hopes we could use them year after year by simply changing the dates."

There were two banners stolen on Sept. 22 and a larger one was stolen on Sept. 27.

The first two banners that were stolen only cost several hundred dollars combined, so Career Services was not as concerned when they disappeared. Then, a 30 foot banner was stolen from atop of two light poles outside of Bowman Hall, and faculty were incredibly surprised.

"A person would need a step ladder... to get up the pole and get at that banner," said Meinen. "With the on-going budget re-

ductions, we can't afford these kinds of losses.

"The sad part is, if we stop advertising the career conference, we will once again have students miss it because they didn't know it was taking place."

Since UW-Stout's career conference is one of the biggest in the Midwest, and career services cannot afford new banners, they are hoping that someone will willingly return the stolen merchandise.

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Student gets vice chair

FCS major gains a national position

By Emily Alwin
News Writer

Kimberly Hart, a senior at the University of Wisconsin-Stout majoring in family and consumer sciences, was inducted as the first vice chair of the preprofessional/graduate student division of the American Association of Family and Consumer Sciences (AAFCS).

This title makes Hart the first UW-Stout student to ever be inducted into the AAFCS. She is also the first to ever hold a vice chair position in the preprofessional/graduate level.

Hart was a local officer in the Stout Association of Family and Consumer Sciences, and held the same position at the state level in the Wisconsin Association of Family and Consumer Sciences.

AAFCS is a non-profit organization. Members are educators at elementary, secondary and post-secondary levels. The main goal of AAFCS is to teach and provide practical knowledge about life skills, financial literacy, child care and parenting responsibility.

No faking sick for faculty

By Kristie Wilson
News Writer

The University of Wisconsin System Administration must develop a revised sick leave policy by Oct. 1, 2005. Currently, there is no written policy for the use of sick leave for faculty; it doesn't say anywhere that they are required to get a health professional certification.

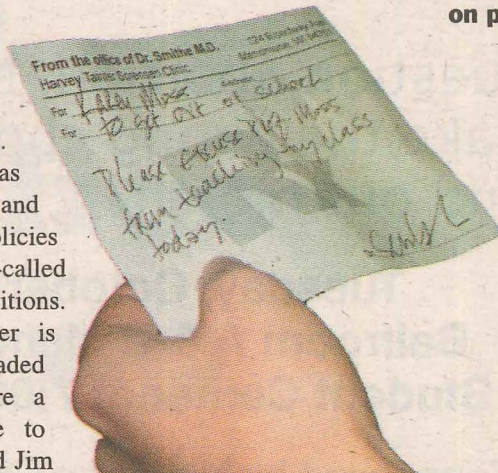
It is recommended that all the UW institutions require a written certification from a health care provider. It must say why they need the use of the sick leave for absences of more than 10 consecutive full working days.

"This report tells us what has been obvious for many months: bad decisions were made and sloppy procedures were followed. Sick leave should not be used to handle difficult personal matters. This episode has revealed lax and excessive policies related to so-called 'backup' positions. Now the matter is apparently headed to court, where a jury will have to sort it out," said Jim

Doyle, Wisconsin Governor.

There is an exception, when the use of the sick leave

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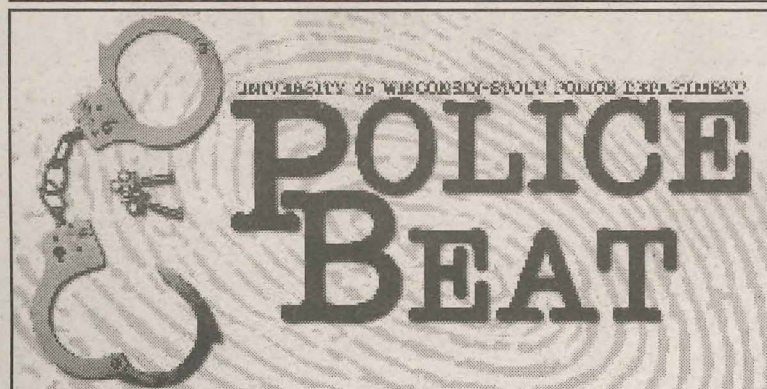


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Friday 9-30 72° / 49° Partly Cloudy
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Wednesday 10-05 70° / 43° Showers
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For the weeks of 9/15 and 9/22
13 citations for UAD 1st Offense
3 citations for UAD 2nd Offense
1 citation for Open Container
2 citations for Disorderly Conduct
1 citation for Poss. of Marijuana
1 citation for Disorderly Conduct
1 citation for Littering

Lot 29 is not a campground

A male subject was found sleeping in a truck in parking lot 29. An officer made contact with the subject to tell him he could not camp out in the lot, the subject explained to the officer that he was a student who lived in Ellsworth, Wis., but didn't have enough gas to make it home that night. The officer recommended a hotel or the east bound rest area for the night. The subject complied and left the area.

A ghost or someone very bored

There were five more reported incidences of false elevator alarms in the Red Cedar Hall. On each occasion the elevator was checked but no one was found.

All who wander are lost

A white male was observed to be walking behind the Fire Department. The subject had on only boxer shorts. The subject appeared to be very intoxicated. An officer asked the subject where his clothes were and he

replied he didn't know. The subject was advised to move along, which he did.

Vandals on a rampage

Members of the Grounds Department reported a number of senseless acts of vandalism and criminal damage that occurred overnight.

A fire extinguisher was taken from somewhere on campus and discharged all over the tennis courts on 18th Ave.

Several new decorative ashtrays were thrown about.

Picnic tables were overturned in many locations.

Equipment located in the area of the Grounds Maintenance garage was rummaged through and tampered with.

The above appears to reflect an elevated level of activity which was evident from the number of incidences that the patrol officers were involved with overnight due largely to irresponsible (drinking) behavior.

Woman seizing

Menomonie EMS and an officer were called to Wigen Hall for a female that was having an epileptic seizure. The female went to her R.A. and told him she was having a seizure attack. The R.A. called the EMS, and the female was transported to the Menomo-

nie ER for further evaluation.

A prank, or just plain mean

A student in JTC reported that while he was asleep, an unknown person(s) entered his room and removed items. A UW-Stout backpack, containing class notes and a graphing calculator, CDs in a case (one of which ended up in a toilet down the hall), his room chair and a nonregulation stop sign. The complainant thinks it may have been a prank, but no one had permission to take anything from his room.

Mirror mirror

A female found her vehicle in lot 22 damaged. It appeared her right side mirror had been broken. It seemed as though someone had punched it.

Maybe they wanted a tire swing

A female student reported that her vehicle had been jacked-up and one of her tires and rims were missing.

Drunk driver gets caught

A complaint of disorderly conduct/trespassing evolved into a high speed chase throughout Menomonie and ended on Hwy. 25, near I-94. The driver was intoxicated and transported to the hospital. The complainant and a witness were transported to the hospital to positively identify the vehicle and driver.

Elevator traps two

Menomonie Fire Department was dispatched to the Red Cedar Hall for two females trapped in elevator two. When an officer arrived, MFD had gotten the females out. When the MFD tested the elevators, they seemed to work fine.

SICK / new policy

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is authorized in advance to the Wisconsin or Federal Family and Medical Leave Acts. Another exception would be an emergency where you are unable to communicate. In that case, the written verification would be required at a later time.

An instance in which the sick leave is allowed would be temporary medical care of ill or injured persons of immediate family, for a limited time. This sick leave is limited to five workdays for any illness.

As always, there are certain circumstances where the leave may be extended.

"I hope that this whole saga will serve as a wake-up call to the University, that it must demonstrate to taxpayers that it is a responsible steward of public dollars," said Doyle "The Board of Regents has taken some initial steps in the right direction to reform the University's employment practices and personnel policies, but much more needs to be done."

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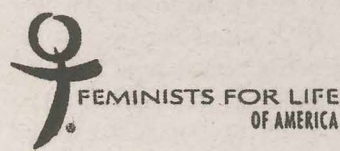
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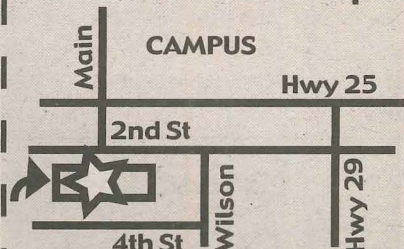
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3 Blocks From Campus



MIA /big cost

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"If someone 'finds' the banners in their house, they can return them to us or drop them off at our office without any charge," said Lisa Walters, the chief of UW-Stout police. "[However], if they are found at a residence, the residents can get

stolen, there are several banners that will not be able to be stolen.

On the days of the career conference, five different companies are paying for an airplane to circle UW-Stout with a big banner following the plane, that has mention of the conference.

Each company will have a

"It is extremely frustrating. We invested over \$700 in these three new banners, in hopes we could use them year after year by simply changing the dates."

~Dr. LaMont Meinen

Director of Career Services

charged with possession of stolen property and criminal damage to property."

The charges that will be brought if the police catch someone with the banners that did not willingly turn them in, is classified as a Class A Misdemeanor.

The consequences of this charge can be up to \$10,000 in fines, nine months in jail or both. The police station and Career Services only want the banners returned, due to the amount of money that was spent on them.

"When we put them up, we were thinking there is no way anyone could take it," said Meinen.

Despite the banners being

banner with their name on it for an hour each. Meinen does not believe this banner will be stolen at any point in time.

"The sad part is that we can't afford to buy more of these banners next year," said Meinen.

Walters also wanted to remind students that if they see the banners, they can go online and give an anonymous tip as to where the banners are located.

"I understand it was meant to be a prank, but it is really upsetting that they can't be replaced," said Meinen. "There are two weeks left until the conference and we have no way of advertising it anymore."

Hartung convicted felon

By Tiffany Laschinger
News Writer

Laura Hartung has been convicted of two felonies and one misdemeanor in the case of the 2001 Atrim-Froggatt bomb and fire disturbances.

Hartung was the lead suspect in the multiple false fire alarms, bomb threats and arsons that terrorized the residents of AF in fall 2001. She was charged with four counts of Intentionally Give False Alarm, four counts of Second Degree Reckless Endangering,

two counts of Arson and two counts of Bomb Scares.

On April 11, 2005, Hartung appeared at her final sentence hearing where she plead No Contest and was convicted of three of those charges. In addition, Hartung was charged with Bail Jumping, which is another felony. The rest of the charges were dropped in a plea agreement.

The campus police advised the courts to sentence Hartung to ten years probation and a year in jail, along with restitution paid for the damage she had caused.

In the end, Hartung was

sentenced to five years of probation and six months in jail, to be served in the first year of her probation. Hartung will also be paying \$10,495.34 in restitution to cover the fire department cost and to pay for the damage caused by the fires.

The conditions of Hartung's probation are to complete 200 hours of community service, receive psychiatric treatment, maintain employment, and to share counseling records with probation and provide releases if a victim wishes to make contact with Hartung.

Convictions and Sentencing:

2 counts 2nd Degree Reckless Endangering Safety

Plea: No Contest

Severity: Felony E

Sentence: Probation 5 years to be served concurrently

1 count Bomb Scare

Plea: No Contest

Severity: Felony E

Sentence: Probation 5 years to be served concurrently

1 count Intentionally Give False Alarm

Plea: No Contest

Severity: Misdemeanor A

Sentence: Probation 3 years to be served concurrently

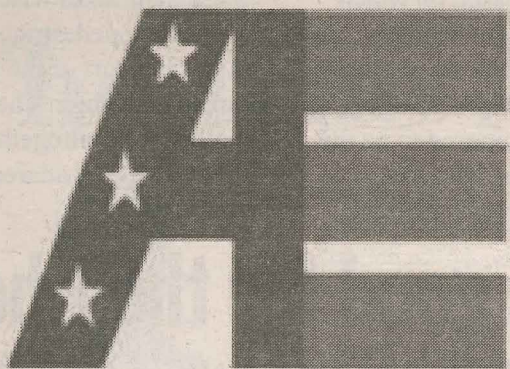
1 count Bail Jumping

Plea: No Contest

Severity: Felony H

Sentence: Probation 5 years to be served concurrently

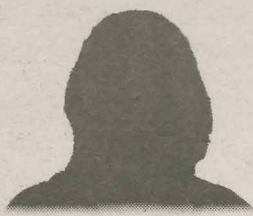
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Bikes save students time and money



Staff Editorial
The Stoutonia Staff

Walking, biking, driving: there are multiple ways to get to class. Of course, which of these you choose may depend on how close to or far from campus you live.

Perhaps the easiest and cheapest of these, if you live a little farther away, would be to bike.

Students that ride their bikes rather than drive don't have to pay for a parking meter or pass, so these can be saved for those that live

even farther away or commute.

If the university encouraged more people to ride bikes, it may save them from needing a parking pass, which in turn could save money.

There are also other advantages to biking: it's a good way to get in some quick exercise on your way to class.

Many already see these advantages and do bike to class.

Just walking around south campus, the bike racks seem to be packed with bikes. Why are

there so many more this year? This didn't seem to be a problem last year, or at least not as big of a problem.

Those that are riding bikes to class may notice the lack of bike racks available. Longer bikes that allow for a more stretched out position seem to be becoming more popular, but these only take up more space, adding to this problem. Not to mention the bike rack near the Applied Arts building loading dock that is missing.

Regardless of this, many

continue to ride their bikes. It's hard not to notice this when a biker flies by out of nowhere, practically knocking someone over.

But when students walk in large groups anywhere they go, what is the person on the bike supposed to do?

Should the students be jumping out of the way or should the biker have to go around them?

It seems more logical for the biker to go around the students. It's just easier for them to move more quickly so as not to run anyone over.

If students used the sidewalk properly, this problem may not even exist. Ever notice the sign above the sidewalk leading between Harvey Hall and Bowman Hall?

The sidewalk is split in half; one side is for walkers and the other is for bikers. It seems, however, like it is used more based on which way people are headed.

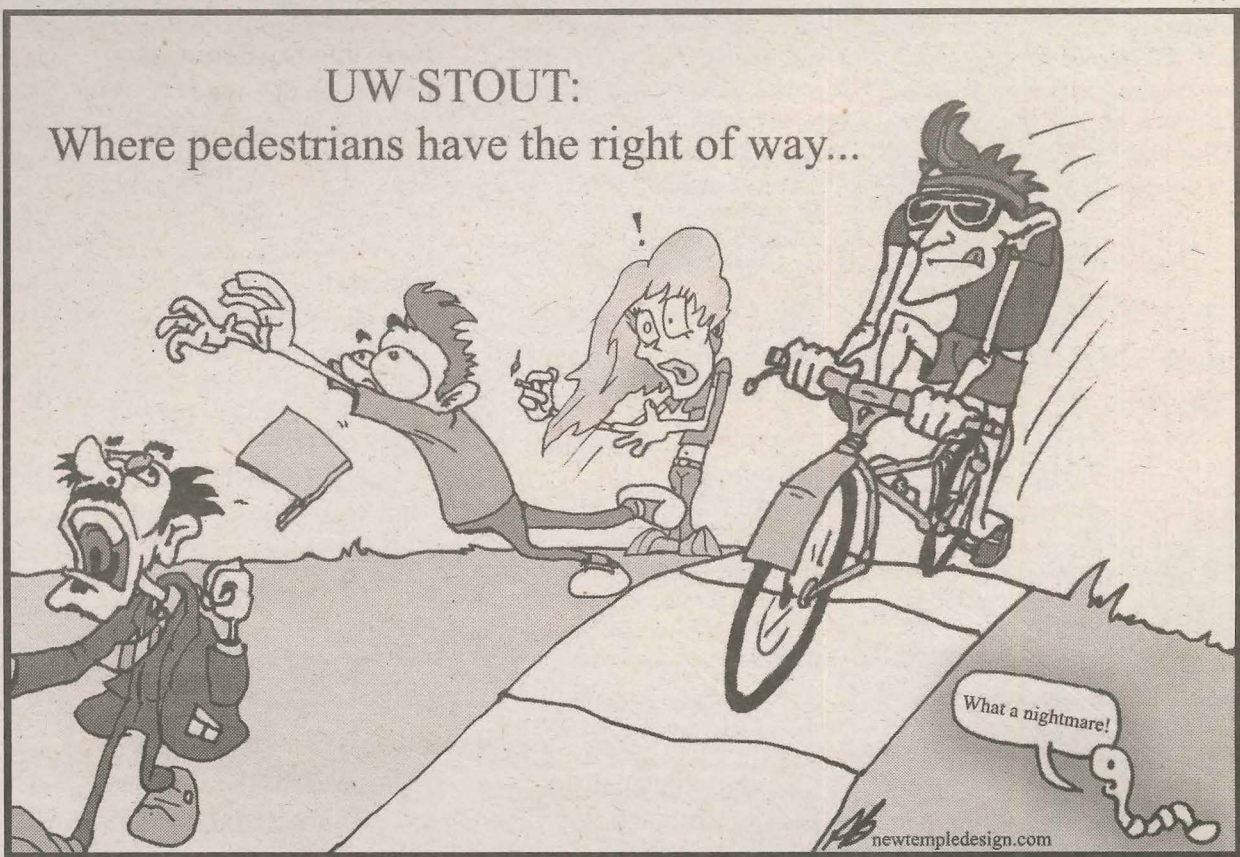
The streets are another story. The traffic laws for bikes are supposed to be the same as those for cars.

It sure seems like the

laws aren't always followed or enforced. There are many times when a biker rides right through a stop sign or fails to yield for pedestrians.

So how can we fix this? Maybe there should be some kind of bike registration, if there isn't already, limiting the number of bikes on campus and forcing students to use their bikes wisely.

Maybe pedestrians are as much a part of the problem as bikers are. That's another story altogether, but that will be addressed next week.



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We must unite, decide what is good for the whole

Smokers and non-smokers alike must come to agreement and take a stand for freedom



Steve Tietz
Columnist

The last time I checked we lived in a country that was founded on one simple principle: the right to be free.

Occasionally, that right is encroached upon by our leaders and occasionally we must rise up in unison to shout out against the injustices created by tyrant leaders. I think the time has arrived for us to rise as one and tell the leaders of our nation where to shove it.

There has been a bill proposed and now awaits the signature of California Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger. The bill states that insurers would now have to cover the costs of treatment for smokers trying to quit.

Let me remind you that Governor Schwarzenegger has a smoking tent outside of his

non-smoking offices because he is a cigar aficionado, but maybe it should be said that if this law is passed in California it will not be long before other states begin to pass similar laws.

Many of you are probably still wondering why I bother to mention a potential law being passed in a state where we do not live, but it should be recognized that California has been on the political forefront of health-based laws.

When California passed its no smoking in the workplace law, it took less than a year before most states in the union passed similar laws.

California has also passed an anti-obesity law which has removed soda and junk food from all public schools.

Along with passing a law that has removed tobacco from prisons, and being on the cutting edge of emissions laws that have impacted all states, it is not hard to imagine that if this law is passed it will not take long for it to resonate through the entire union. This, however,

is where government has encroached upon our freedom and this is where we must unite.

As students, we need not look far to realize the encroachment of government on our civil liberties.

For instance, there are no longer smoking floors anywhere on campus, and smokers must now stand a minimum of 25 feet from all buildings while smoking. These ordinances have all been enacted during my time here at the University of Wisconsin-Stout, which has only been since 2003. Although I am only an occasional smoker, I find these ordinances to be ludicrous.

I support the rights of the non-smoker; they should not have to breathe in something they do not wish to, but what about the rights of the smoker, the person choosing to do harm to their bodies?

I believe the laws being passed in California, which will impact our lives eventually, are a sign of the government moving in a direction to control our

free will. It has been my contention that tobacco is the beer drinker's best friend, but according to the government, we can no longer smoke in bars in many cities across the country such as Appleton, Oshkosh and Eau Claire, to name a few cities in Wisconsin.

Whether you are a smoker or a non-smoker; whether you believe in gun control or not; and whether abortion is right or wrong; sooner or later we must decide what is good for the whole.

Minorities will always be stepped on in the political realm, but if we unite under one common goal stating that we all have the right to choose what is best for us as an individual, we will become the majority.

I believe it's our right to choose between smoking and not smoking; it's the woman's right to choose between abortion or not; and it's my right to choose what is best for me, not the government's. In the absence of free will we have no democracy, only a dictatorship.



Letters to the Editor

If you wish to submit a Letter to the Editor, letters can be sent to stoutonia@uwstout.edu. Letters must be no longer than 250 words and must be submitted by 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday in order to run in that week's issue.

Ignorance not needed

This letter is in response to Mr. Tietz's article in the opinion column last week.

Mr. Tietz, not only have you shown your rear by insulting those who cannot defend themselves in New Orleans, but you have also shown your complete lack of intelligence in the issue at hand.

In fact, these people did need a "big friggin'" sign saying to leave, because the 100,000 people left in New Orleans were way below the poverty line, something I'm sure that Mr. Tietz has no experience in.

It is easy to sit here at college when almost everyone you know has

a car, and say they could have left easily.

What's worse is that you take your ignorance and make assumptions off of it. If you would have followed the storm before it hit, you would have realized that it turned from its expected path, the Florida Panhandle, less than two days before it hit landfall, thus giving the city of New Orleans little time to evacuate.

And have you ever, in your life, even seen floodwaters? If you haven't, then you would not know that swimming in flood waters in excess of your waist can kill you. Its like telling a person caught in an avalanche "It's only snow."

I hope that in the

future, your opinion articles become more informed; otherwise you are just spouting immature, uneducated nonsense. People's lives, including my family's, have been changed by this disaster and we don't need ignorance to add insult to injury.

Bret Hall
Louisiana State University Graduate

Daydreaming

I was sitting on the couch watching "Mr. Roger's Neighborhood" sipping on my grande non-fat mocha latte, when Fred started to sing his patented song, "It's a beautiful day in my neighborhood..."

Mr. McFeely had just dropped off a package: it was Fred's brand new cardigan. It made me feel good inside... like the Sun Baby was giggling on Teletubbies and giant fuzzy bunnies were hopping around with Dipsy and Lala.

Of course, I had

forgotten that Fred Rogers always wears those sweaters to cover up the tattoos he scribed on his arm as a sniper in Vietnam. They say he was one of the best...

Last week's article addressing the war amounted to nothing more than aimless daydreaming. And briefly... the fact Hawaii wasn't technically a state is like saying the USS Kohl doesn't count because it wasn't docked in a US port, or that the Marine barracks in Beirut didn't count because it wasn't on bona fide continental American soil.

Stirring up images of a war-ravaged American countryside to evoke a "how would you like it" feeling is nothing more than guilt-motivated fantasy, and lessened by the fact our country has virtually no neighbors with which to have centuries-old conflict (something essentially every other country in the world HAS).

Daniel Eaton

My addiction



Matt Schubbe
Columnist

I think I have a problem, one that warrants an intervention no less. My addiction isn't drugs, but it may as well be. It's Facebook. As many of you are aware, the University of Wisconsin-Stout recently (about a week and a half ago) was added as a school on Facebook.com, the online network that allows you to search profiles for people you know so that you can keep in touch during college.

Since our school's addition to the site, it seems that a kind of mania has triggered in the student body: Facebook mania. It's almost scary how in such a short time so many people have all logged on to this site. My earlier reference to drugs was alarmingly appropriate because Facebook is Internet crack in its purest form.

I'm not exaggerating by any means, at least in my case anyway. In my favorites bar on Safari I have my Facebook page and my webmail right next to each other. I can check and see if anyone has left me a message or sent me a new friend request to be added to my list. I've also set my profile on the site as my homepage. I check to see if anything has changed on my page almost religiously, every 15 minutes or so. This is getting out of hand.

Isn't this how the Borg assimilates people into their collective in Star Trek, sucking people in as they slowly become cogs in some horrible machine? That may be going a little overboard, but I swear that site has some kind of magic hold on me. I can't NOT check my page as often as I do, for fear of... well, I really don't know. Something draws me to it, this Facebook. It's like my precious, or very close to it.

And if anyone is not convinced of the otherworldly powers of Facebook, just talk to one of my roommates who staunchly refuses to sign up for an account of his own. He was walking by my room one day, just casually, and he glanced at my computer on his way. Once he found out I was updating my profile on the dreaded Facebook, he almost left, but then took one look at the screen and remarked: "Man, I feel like I really want to join that now."

It was as if the eye of Sauron was on him and he couldn't look away. Thankfully, he was able to pry himself away from my screen and hasn't joined Facebook, yet. But who knows. How strong is the lure of this powerful webpage? Is this a sign of a coming apocalypse, or just a fad? I really hope it is a fad, otherwise I can kiss my G.P.A. goodbye this semester.

The true American dream



Michael Graney
Columnist

Justice has been a goal of this country for a long time. It has been argued by philosophers, found enforcement in comic books and a lack of it has inspired violence and revolutions.

Justice seems to have taken the role of a utopian idea, something that is never really achievable, but a noble goal to strive towards.

Now, when philosophers argue about what justice is, they tend to argue about everything from the meaning of it to how it is decided.

One such argument on how it is decided is John Rawls' Veil of Ignorance. This argument states that justice can only truly be served when all biases are removed, which requires the elimination of the inherent imperfections of humanity's decisions.

While this Veil of Ignorance is a completely utopian idea, it made me think about how justice is sought in the United States of America.

It is a core idea of our

country, having important places in documents as the Declaration of Independence (which can be seen as a list of injustices occurred against the colonists), the Bill of Rights and even the Pledge of Allegiance.

How could a body founded by human's fallibility achieve such a goal?

Well, first of all, they make laws, something to enforce laws and then a way of determining fault. However, these all have potential biases in them, hence the importance of the power of judicial review. It has helped curve potential biases, but won't be able to overcome the Veil of Ignorance, which is the ideal.

Superhero comic books deal with the idea of what happens when courts fail.

If punishments which had been laid out in laws aren't enough,

or if the guilty party was able to escape justice through either super strength or legal loopholes, the superhero would come in to serve justice.

Early on, this was a simple distinction, the villains were bad and the heroes were good.

Daredevil happens to be an example of such an ideal. He fights for justice by day as the blind attorney from Hell's Kitchen and by night as a costumed vigilante. When the laws fail, he takes justice into his own hands.

However, more shades of grey began to appear. Daredevil eventually became his enemy (the Kingpin) in order to promote a peaceful existence. It seems that without injustice, because of basic human nature, peace can't happen.

The idea of justice doesn't change. However, the definition of justice does. The courts have proven this, most notably with the Warren Court.

This is the court that declared separate but equal is

unconstitutional, no matter what one's financial situation, one

still has the right to legal counsel and the creation of Miranda Rights.

Some argue that the Warren Court overstepped its legal rights, but even if they did, I think they were following a higher calling. The Warren

"Justice is something that must be loved, caressed tenderly and fought for. It is something that should matter to everyone..."

Facebook a success

By Rachel Landwehr
Campus Writer

Getting together with the friends you haven't talked to in years is what using the Facebook is all about.

"[Facebook] is changing the way our generation communicates," said Kate Brawner, a junior in apparel design.

A few weeks ago, Facebook was all there was to talk about on and off campus. Due to requests and interest from students, an account was set up with Facebook on September 18, 2005.

Many students heard of the online community from friends and were interested in signing up for an account but were unable to because the University of Wisconsin-Stout was not registered. Students who have wanted to sign up for Facebook have contacted Mark Zuckerberg, a student at Harvard and the cre-

ator of Facebook.

Zuckerberg created the website on February 4, 2004, for students at Harvard to keep in contact. The Web site spread quickly across the campus; then it was expanded for use at other Ivy League schools.

The phenomenon quickly multiplied throughout colleges across the nation and became a very well known Web site among college students, with members reaching over one million in November of 2004.

Some universities caught on quickly with more than half the student body involved, while other colleges took more time to get their technology up to speed. According to Absolute Astronomy Reference online, there are more than 650 universities that are members in the United States, about five in the Canada, four in the United Kingdom, in-

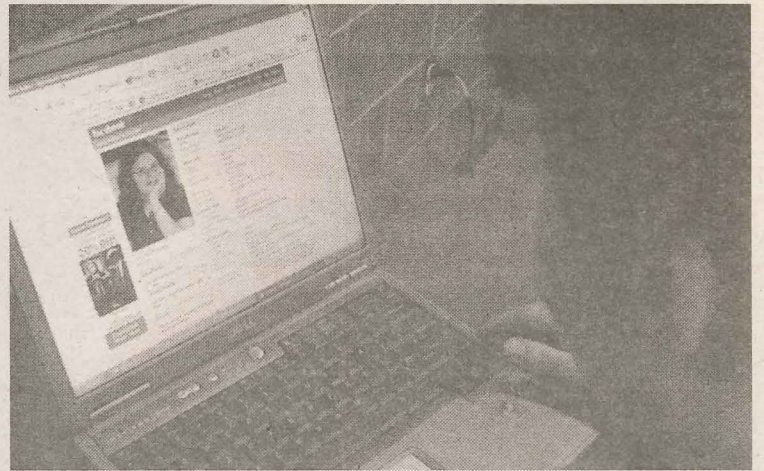
cluding one in Ireland.

"It's a nice way to stay in touch with people from the past," said Erin Haenel, a junior in human development and family living.

When colleges do obtain a membership, students can log onto www.facebook.com. However, visitors must sign up and wait for a confirmation e-mail to complete the registration. Students will often find this e-mail in the spam folder in their accounts. Once signed up with Facebook, the user can enter a username and password to access the homepage.

From the homepage, the user can update a profile in "information about the user" and can add, or "poke" friends they go to school with, went to school with or met somewhere else.

"It's addicting and I can never seem to get my homework



Marta Peters/Stoutonia

Facebook is fast becoming a popular online community database, where students can find people they used to go to school with.

done," said Brain Herzfeld, a junior in mechanical engineering.

Facebook has become an online community relating people through their interests, jobs, schools, music tastes and mutual friends. Users can decide who sees their profiles, decide who they want to be friends with and leave comments on the "wall."

It's a convenient and easy way to stay in touch with people

from the past, the present and to meet new contacts.

"Facebook is a great way to organize and keep in touch with people across the nation let alone just at UW-Stout," said Coriner O'Brian, a junior in business.

If you don't have an account, check out the site to see what all the hype is about, then you can decide how you feel about the latest online craze.

Buffet binging and unhealthy food contributes to weight gain

By Jennifer Gauthier
Campus Writer

College students lead busy lives. Between classes, homework, working one or more jobs, and, of course, campus activities and partying, it can be hard to find time to worry about our health, much less make an effort to stay or keep in shape.

We are notoriously strapped for cash, which is why we find fast food an attractive option.

"I'm too lazy to go to the commons," said Andrea Kappelman, a multimedia design major. "I've been living off macaroni and cheese. I don't exercise at all anymore."

It's no surprise that many students notice they've put on

a few pounds, and oftentimes, more than just a few. For incoming freshmen, college weight gain is an unattractive and unhealthy reality. There are several reasons why college students, particularly freshmen who have recently entered a new environment, have trouble maintaining their pre-college weight.

The problem can be traced to a few simple lifestyle changes that are common among freshmen entering college.

A change occurs in the food and amount of food consumed by students. Not only are they typically eating higher calorie food (pizza, fast food and beer), but many students are also eating food in greater quantities.

Cafeterias serve food buffet-style, and when given access to unlimited amounts of food, most people automatically overeat.

"I eat a lot more since I got here. There's so much food here, and it's cheap, especially at the commons," said Josh Sondelski, a graphic design major.

Fast food, while usually high in calorie and fat content, is cheap, so it appeals to the budget of a college student, and tends to be easy to find and eat, both on and off campus. Usually little or no preparation is needed.

The problems with this type of food is that it is also often processed, high in sugar and fat, contains chemicals and preservatives and lacks the nutrients necessary for humans to function throughout the day.

Along with consuming more calories, many college students are also burning fewer calories throughout the day. Stu-

dents are usually less involved in organized sports, and physical activities in college typically decreases from student participation in high school. Many college students do not choose to spend what little free time they have to work out, especially if they don't compete in a sport and don't see the immediate need to fit exercise into their schedules.

Erratic eating schedules that lower metabolism and encourage further bad eating habits are more common when students enter college. Three common metabolism killers among college students include: skipping breakfast, late night noshing and eating one or two large meals instead of a number of smaller meals throughout the day.

Eight a.m. classes are hard enough without finding the time to feed yourself in the morning and many students go to class without eating breakfast. This

only leads to a lower metabolism and the tendency to eat more during the rest of the day. Fatigue is a common ailment associated with both skipping breakfast and late night studying, which many students fight by eating.

With so many fast, cheap, easy to find and consume options available on and around campus, it's easy to see why they are a favorite choice of college students: very little time, money and effort is required to eat these foods, and besides, they taste good and are filling.

"Food here is so available, and there's a lot more foods to choose from," said Reanna Degerman, a vocational rehabilitation major. "I eat a lot more and I don't exercise at all."

It isn't difficult to fall out of habit with exercise, especially when there isn't a coach planning

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Employee of the Month

By Renee Currington
Campus Editor

Judy Kahl was named the University of Wisconsin-Stout Classified Employee of the Month for September. She has worked as an office manager in the Johnson Fieldhouse and in other areas for 41 years.

Kahl started in October 1964 working for the department chair of social science. She also worked in other offices, including the Office of the Dean of Liberal Studies. In 1980 she began working primarily at the Fieldhouse.

"It's a very fun place to work," said Kahl, who is very happy with her job.

"My co-workers and I get along very well and we share workloads," said Kahl. "It's seldom that anyone says no."

Kahl and others at the office often help out with the concessions and the sports teams, without expecting any compensation for the work.

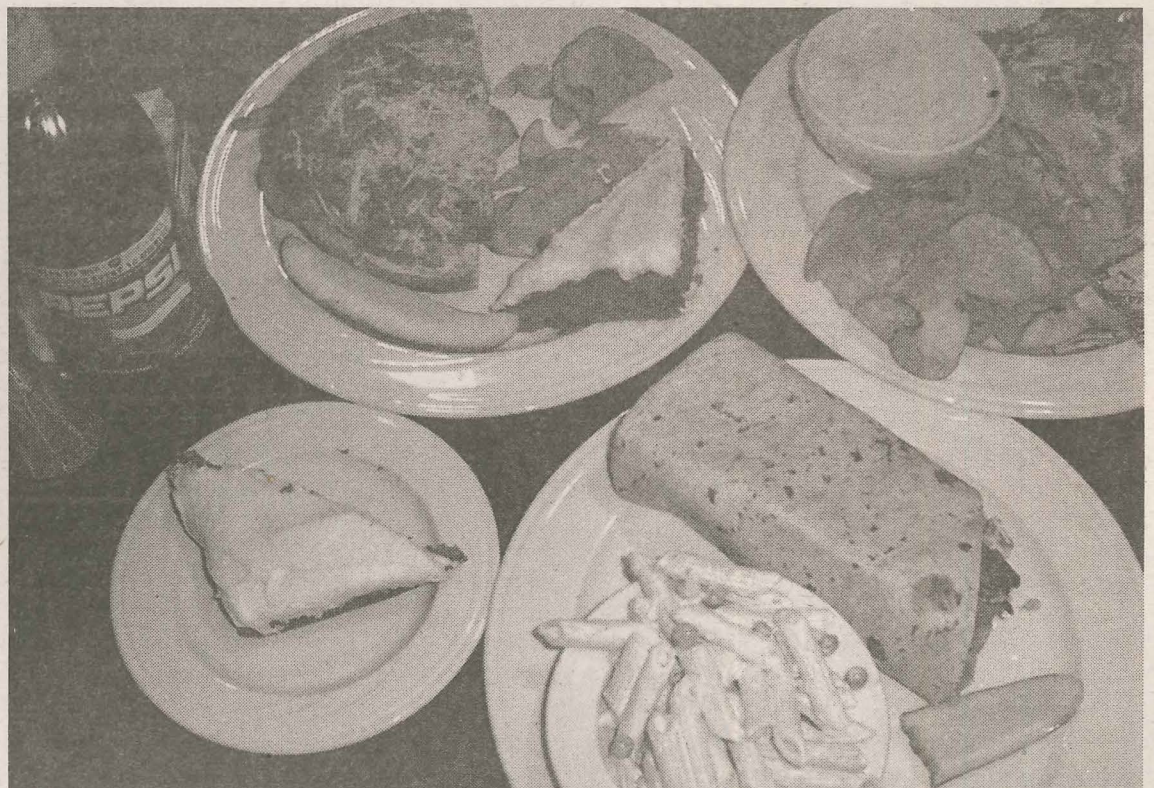
"It's so nice to have young people around," said Kahl.

Kahl is originally from Menomonie and her family has always been heavily involved in sports. Kahl's daughter and son both participated in a number of sport activities.

Her husband works for the Menomonie Police Department, where he has been employed for more than 30 years. The Kahls have two grandsons.



Renee Currington/Stoutonia
Judy Kahl, 41 years



Amy Magnuson/Stoutonia

Students who are not used to buffet-style meal plans tend to eat too much food. Fatty, sugary, pre-processed foods are readily available to students, which makes it easy for students to gain weight.

Remembering the walls of Ray Hall

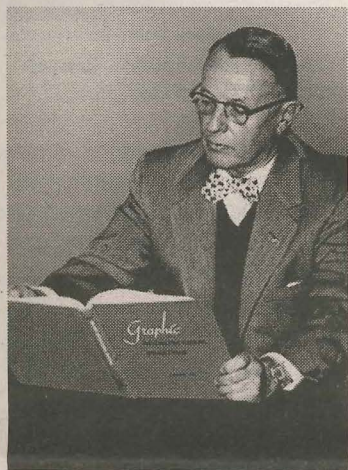
By Katie Triphan
Columnist

In 1961, the laboratory-shop known as the Trades Building, was named Ray Hall in honor of J. Edgar Ray.

Sadly, the landmark christened after Ray barely survived more than half a century after it was renamed. It was torn down in the mid-nineties due to the fact that it was a very old building and became too expensive to maintain.

Ray Hall was located south of Bowman Hall and in its place today, there are columns to represent where Ray Hall once stood. Even though the building is now gone, the story behind the man for which it was named should not be forgotten.

Born in Philadelphia and raised in New Jersey, J. Edgar Ray left high school his sec-



Stout Historical Society
J. Edgar Ray taught an estimated 8,400 students.

ond year to attend a mechanical trade school. Upon his graduation three years later, Ray traveled around the country for a time working as a journeyman bricklayer in several states such as New York and California. He toiled on many well-known

projects including the Rice Hotel in Texas.

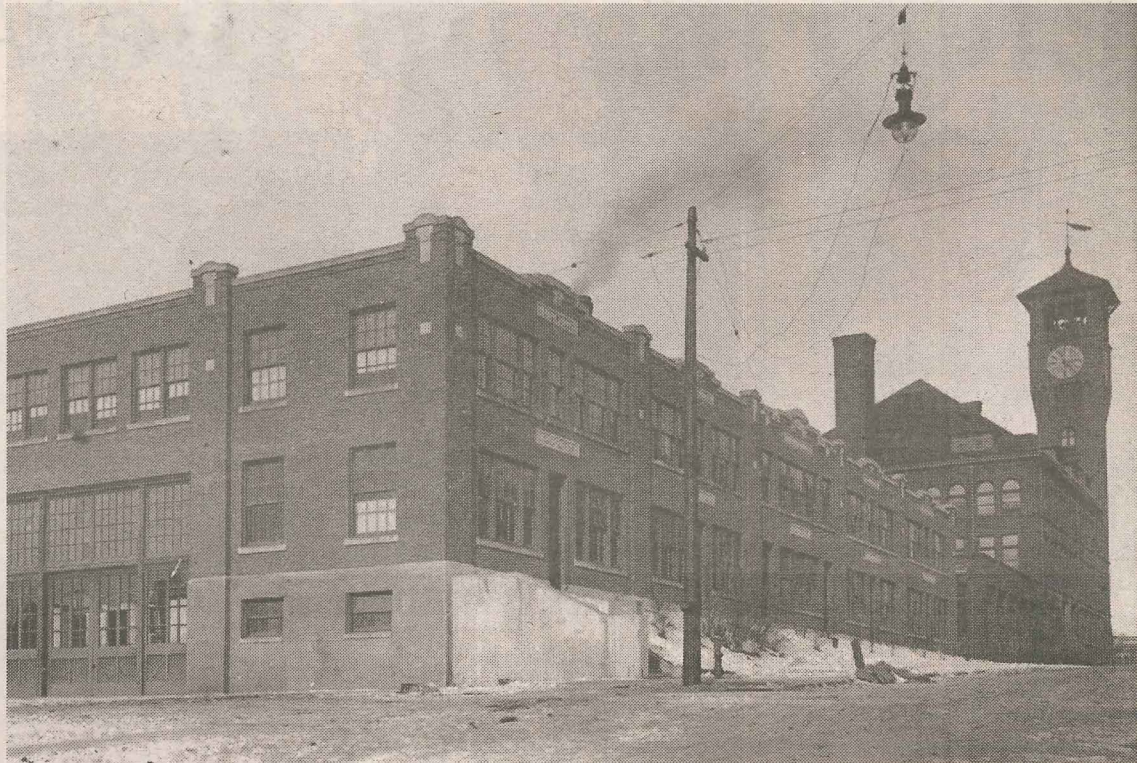
Lorenzo Dow Harvey, the President of Stout at the time, discovered Ray and convinced him to come to Stout to help him start up a program in bricklaying in 1914. Ray was curious about Menomonie and decided to "kind of look things over."

Harvey convinced him to stay and take a teaching position, using the enticement that Ray could make additional income helping with the bricklaying of a new home economics building (later called the Trades Building), that was being erected at the time. Curiously, that same building Ray helped lay bricks upon at the beginning of his career at Stout would later bear his own name.

However, after only three short months, Ray was fed up with the teaching position because he felt his humble educational background limited him.

Harvey did not give up on Ray and managed to convince him to stay, although legend has it he did not accomplish this by himself. Apparently, Harvey received some additional help when Ray was taken to an all-school dance and was introduced to Virginia Burdick. Ray became smitten and managed to woo Burdick. They were eventually married and Ray took his bride on a "motorcycle honeymoon."

Harvey's contribution to getting Ray to stay was to convince him to enroll in the teacher's course at Stout. Ray earned his Bachelor of Science degree in industrial education, and was one of the earliest students to do so. He went on to earn his master's in 1930 from Iowa State College, however, Ray did



Courtesy of the Stout Historical Society

J. Edgar Ray helped lay down the bricks for a building that would be named for him. Ray hall was demolished in the mid-1990s. The remaining brick columns remind us where Ray Hall used to stand.

not stop there. He went on to achieve his doctorate from New York University. He was the only bricklayer in America at the time with a doctoral degree.

With the background and educational achievements Ray had, he knew he could've made a good living in the bricklaying trade or as a contractor, however, as Ray put it, "I would never have discovered the most important thing of all—my students."

Throughout his teaching career, Ray employed his philosophy of never letting a student leave class upset. "Any teacher, at times, must be critical or severe with a student, his work or perhaps even his conduct. But even when I had been stern, I never let a student leave my classroom angry. He could be sure that I never held a personal

grudge against him."

During his 45 years at Stout, Ray taught a range of classes from bricklaying and architectural drafting to freehand drawing and concrete working. Because he taught such a variety of courses, it is estimated that during his career at Stout, he taught more than 8,400 students, which remarkably is considered to be a low-end number. He even directed the Stout band for a few years, trumpet playing being one of his pastimes.

Dr. Ray remarked at his retirement, "When I came to Stout as a bricklayer to work on one of the campus buildings, I never thought I would stay 45 years and be a college professor when I left."

When Dr. Ray left Stout, he was professor of industrial

education and chairman of the department of drafting. William Micheels, president at the time of Ray's retirement, said "Dr. Ray was a gentleman, an excellent craftsman, an accomplished musician, and the kind of teacher that graduates asked about, and wanted to visit when they came back to the campus."

J. Edgar Ray passed away at the age of 80, on May 2, 1969, and even though the tribute to Ray was torn down before our arrival at Stout, Ray's contribution to the University of Wisconsin-Stout is forever embedded in our school's heritage. Ray's story is very unique and is also representative of an era when members of the laboring class, who strove to better their situations, were capable of achieving success.

Freshmen 15 / health tips

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your workouts or teammates to practice with. Fortunately, there are some easy, inexpensive ways to keep from gaining weight with your new college lifestyle.

Many college students frequently have the opportunity to eat buffet-style meals, for most of us, it's everyday. If you are trying to fight the battle of the bulge, it is wise to refrain from eating all you can.

When you aren't paying attention to what you're eating, it's easy to pick up extra calories, but the surprising reality is that one pound can be gained each week from simply eating 170 extra calories at each meal. Instead of filling a tray with different plates and bowls, try to limit yourself to one plate and take smaller portions.

Eating desserts once or twice a day can pack on calories quickly. Eat a dessert once or twice a week instead, while avoiding additional and unnecessary calories. You'll enjoy dessert more when you aren't eating it daily.

Eating only a small portion of the main dish, which is usually higher in fat and calories, and eating a salad on the side are simple ways to get full without getting fat. Eating healthy doesn't mean you have to stop eating the foods you love, but you do need to eat less of them!

If you've already put on a few pounds, or are still carrying some around from last year, there are a number of undemanding steps you can take to lose it.

Instead of hitting the snooze one more time, take the long way to breakfast. A quick, ten-minute walk in the morning on an empty stomach forces your body to recruit energy from storage, resulting in weight loss. Any activity that you do will burn calories and help reduce the stress of the first year of college, which contributes to weight gain.

Remember to eat breakfast. It gives you the energy you need to make it through school, gets your metabolism moving and curbs your appetite later in the day. Eating small meals through-

out the day keeps your metabolism and energy levels high.

Try not to eat before bed. Three hours is the recommended amount of time to abstain from eating before going to sleep. And Starbucks? It's best to avoid blended, sugary coffee drinks: tea, or plain black coffee is a better choice.

Extreme low carbohydrate diets can have side effects like fatigue, extreme crankiness and sometimes health problems, but cutting back on one of two higher carb items and substituting fresh vegetables and fruits can make a significant difference.

Be wary of partying. Drinking beer, even light beer, contains 100 calories for every 12 ounces consumed. You're also a lot more likely to eat high-fat junk foods when you drink.

It's notable to say that the freshmen fifteen isn't a given. With a little effort to be conscious of the foods consumed everyday, and slight diet modifications, the freshmen fifteen can be avoided without much difficulty. Your body will thank you.

National 4-H Week

By Renee Currington
Campus Editor

The 4H Club pledged their heads, hearts, hands and health to the community and the world, at their first meeting Wednesday, Sept. 28, 2005.

After being inactive for a while, the University of Wisconsin-Stout 4-H Club started up again in 2002 and they are looking for students to join them in their quest to "make the best better."

"I wanted to do more service for the community and this organization helped me do that," said 4-H president Amanda Nagel, an art education and human development senior.

The 4-H club is also heavily involved with youth, and organizes fun learning activities for children, such as doing crafts. Several members of the UW-Stout chapter have been involved in 4-H as children.

"I have been involved with 4-H all my life," said Bonnie Nutt, the club treasurer, who is a senior in human development and family studies. Nutt, who

has been involved with 4-H since the age of five, played a major role in reviving the UW-Stout 4-H chapter.

Next week is national 4-H week, and the club has plans to give away baby care packages to the first babies born during the week of Oct. 2-8.

As October is Violence Awareness Month, 4-H will work with Bridge to Hope during the Violence Awareness Rally in Wilson Park on Oct. 4. Their goal is to encourage 200 people to represent victims of domestic violence.

The 4-H club also does yard work for the elderly as part of the adopt-a-yard program, they participate in Earth Day cleanup and they organize social events.

"We're open to new ideas and making changes," said Jennifer Mottl, the 4-H vice president, who is a food systems and technology senior.

Joining the 4-H club is free for students. The next meeting is on Wednesday, Oct. 19 in Home Economics 103.

Clearing up the Atmosphere



Mike Ryan

Entertainment Writer

When the rapper known as P.O.S. took the stage with fellow Doomtree representative Turbo Nemesis and delivered a set full of tight instrumentals and brilliantly crafted verses, I knew the rapper I had previously respected was above and beyond what I had expected, both lyrically and musically.

As P.O.S.'s set went on and he settled in, I began to realize that this man had more than thumping bass and masterful rhyme schemes—he actually had something to say.

As he encouraged the audience to exercise the “hip hop muscles” of the shoulder and upper arm, I frequently found myself trying to catch stand-out phrases from his songs and verses. P.O.S. addressed a wide range of subjects including the apathy of youth, the political state of the nation and his uncle's untimely death by way of vehicular homicide.

Between songs he would break into freestyle poetry—

mainly social commentary—that went largely unappreciated by some of the audience. You know who I'm talking about. The ones with popped collars and over-gelled hair that likely keep their Atmosphere CDs on the shelf next to the “Now” series.

To my amusement, P.O.S. actually commented on this, suggesting that the audience drop a crowd surfer on his head. He went through his set without a hitch, paving the way for fellow Rhymesayer Entertainment artist, Blueprint.

Blueprint's style proved a great follow-up to P.O.S. He included the crowd on numerous occasions, had one of the aforementioned types of people booted from the show and brought to the stage a sound reminiscent of the Wu-Tang Clan's late O.D.B.

There were times when Blueprint would rap about social issues, but for the most part he was all about combining his wit and lyricism to produce songs that were memorable, to say the least.

At one point, he actually sampled Michael Jackson's “Billie Jean” and involved the audience in the chorus and verses.

The result was hilarious; at one point he even forgot the words to the chorus.

He did remember all of his verses, which never failed to



Lindsey Schultdt/Stoutonia

The wait was finally over last Friday when Atmosphere performed in the Great Hall. Atmosphere, known for energetic, socially conscious hip-hop music, kept the audience's energy level in the stratosphere.

get the audience either shouting in approval or nearly doubled over in laughter.

Finally, the headliner Atmosphere took the stage in front of a significantly larger crowd.

The crowd was very diverse in taste but equally appreciative of Atmosphere's music. Everyone was ready for an intense set that was the perfect combination of P.O.S.'s and Blueprint's contrasting styles.

Slug, like P.O.S., shared

some valuable political insight, but also, like Blueprint, revealed his humorous side.

Atmosphere has always maintained a reputation for loving the stage and the atmosphere (no pun intended) of a live show.

This love of performing was clearly on display as Atmosphere kept the crowd energized throughout the set.

Energetic, socially conscious, occasionally pessimistic but always entertaining,

Atmosphere were up to expectations. Be sure to show your support to the artists by buying their upcoming releases and telling your friends.

Underground acts rely heavily on word of mouth exposure from college students.

I hope that over the course of the year the professionalism of Blue Devil Productions and the quality of the acts that they bring to campus continue to be supported.



Congratulations to the winner of the Texas Hold 'Em Tourney:

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Second: Chris Perras

Third: Zachary Reinhardt

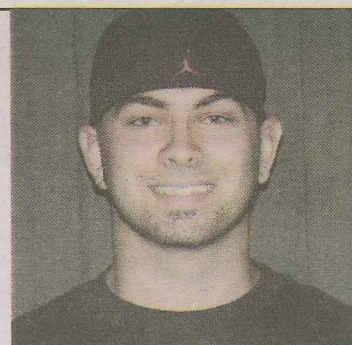
Fourth: Brandon Bobert

Fifth: Kelsey Zauhaur

Honorable mentions:

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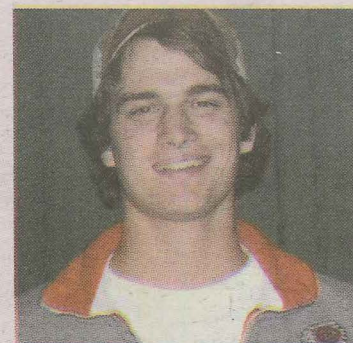
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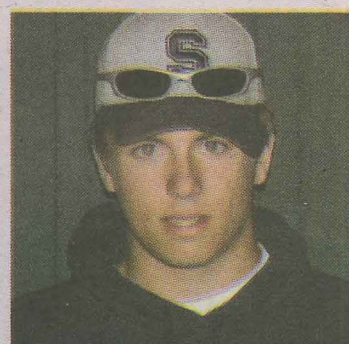
Patrick McLaughlin



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Brandon Bobert



Kelsey Zauhaur

Surprise: Emmys suck yet again



Matt Schubbe
Entertainment Writer

Let's just get one thing straight before I start: this column is from now on officially going to cover mainly television-related news. I love TV, and it loves me back. Done and done.

Now that we have that covered, let's talk about the Emmys.

We all know that awkward speeches and forced humor are part of every awards show, but this year it was probably the worst it's been in a long, long time.

I expected badly conceived celebrity pairings and poorly crafted humor, but this was just ridiculous.

Even the usually funny Ellen Degeneres failed to generate more than a polite chuckle from the crowd.

They really should have considered picking up a few cans of laughter from one of the network sitcoms, because it could only have helped.

The lamest scripted dialogue of the evening was ironically delivered by some of the night's big winners: the cast of "Desperate Housewives."

You know a joke is bad when after the pity applause dies down, Felicity Huffman mutters "Klunk" into the mic. Ouch.

In addition to the abysmal

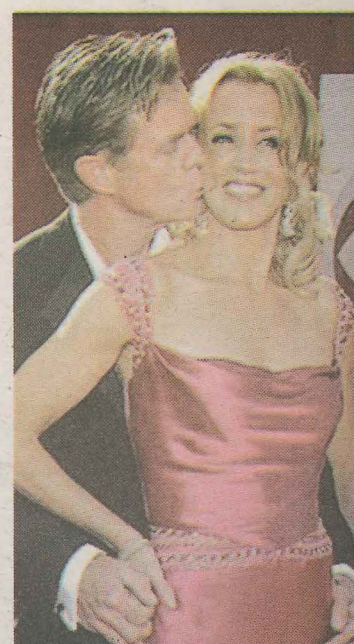


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The Emmys have come and gone and the world is no richer for the experience. Ellen Degeneres (left) hosted with perfunctory humor of "Desperate Housewives" (right) accepted awards with forced humor and the cast of "Lost" (center) is shown in very good humor.



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Emmys, I've noticed another disturbing trend worth mentioning in television shows.

I know, I say something like this every week, but until there are no bad shows on TV, I'll have to keep complaining.

In response to ABC's successful supernatural castaway thriller/drama "Lost," many other networks are trying their hand at similarly themed shows.

One example is NBC's "Surface," which appears to be some kind of cross between "Jaws" and "Summerland." I think.

The show is about an idyllic beachside community in which a Loch Ness monster-esque creature is discovered.

I think the well has pretty much been tapped dry when

it comes to giant monsters, so we'll see if this concept gets off the ground.

CBS, for reasons unknown to mankind, has decided to give Jennifer Love Hewitt another series.

Too bad she's back on TV; she had such a promising film and music career ahead of her.

Oh. Wait. Never mind.

Anyway, the show is called "Ghost Whisperer." Why does any story concerning non-hu-

man to human communication these days involve some kind of a "whisperer"?

Can't they speak to horses, ghosts or whatever in a normal voice?

This is only a minor complaint when you consider that communication with the spirit world has been done to death. Good luck, Jennifer.

ABC also felt the need to keep up by adding another supernatural show to their lineup,

this one is called "Invasion," can you guess what it's about?

Yes, another alien show. My advice is to just skip this and watch "The 4400."

Not only is it a much better show about extraterrestrials, but also a great study on how abduction would affect different people in different ways.

And the best part: no scenes that involve probing.

Now that's a show the whole family can enjoy.

Blindsided by "Great Depression"



Andrew Beckman
Entertainment Writer

Coming straight from the streets of the Swedish hardcore scene, Blindsight hit the ground running when they signed with Tooth and Nail records in 1998. Under this label, the band released their first two full-length albums: "Blindsight" and "A Thought Crushed My Mind."

Now, as virtually independent artists, Blindsight returns with a new attitude in their latest and greatest accomplishment, "The Great Depression."

The album starts off with one of the best-written songs on the disc, "This is a Heart Attack," an example of Blindsight's artistic freedom that their previous two Elektra releases lacked.

Other new stylistic concepts also appear on the record, including a hardcore type breakdown on "Yemkela," the hardest song of the album.

Marcus Dahlstrom, the drummer, once again is exploring new time signatures and rhythms.

The best example is the group's booming, catchy anthem-like single, "Fell In Love With The Game," which changes from a 6/8 time signature to a 7/8 at several points in the song. Dahlstrom does all the drum machine, keypad and synth



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loops for the band, all of which add to Blindsight's already dynamic sound.

Guitarist Simon Grenehed's work is always unique and catchy; however, the guitar is much more rhythm based than lead oriented. This isn't a surprise due to the lack of string technicality in Blindsight's previous work.

The most moving parts of "The Great Depression" are the lyrics and vocal variety.

Between the time the band quit Elektra and signed to DRT, vocalist Christian Lindskog took a trip to South Africa with his wife, who was writing a thesis on the AIDS epidemic.

Lindskog was deeply affected by this experience—the people he met and the relationships he established left a profound impression.

With this in mind, a listener

can get a much deeper message from "The Great Depression."

For example, Lindskog writes in "Yemkela" that his skin feels like "gun powder," a reference to a little boy doomed to die of AIDS during Lindskog's visit. A similar theme is apparent in the song "We're All Going to Die."

"We're all going to die," the lyrics go, "but we're all not meant to die young."

In "This Time," Lindskog recalls a simple conversation he had with a poverty-stricken man. These serious themes also reflect the mood of the album; which is much slower and darker than previous material recorded by the band.

Blindsight's "The Great Depression" reflects their professional ability to create complex, entertaining music that relates to a larger theme.

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September 29
to October 6

Thursday, Oct. 29

- >Open Mic, Acoustic Cafe, 8 p.m., Free.
- >The Runoff, Mousetrap, 10 p.m., Free.
- >Freshwater Collins + The Space Rangers, House of Rock, 10 p.m., \$4.

Friday, Sept. 30

- >Jim Ouska & Jane Aleckson, Mabel Tainter Theater, 8 p.m., \$12/\$10.
- >The Skintonest Smack Davis & Mr. Smyth, House of Rock, 10 p.m., \$4.
- >Knowing Jobe & Movement to June & Liquid Blue & Advizere, Stones Throw, 10 p.m., \$3.
- >Vile Red, Mr. Heavy's, 9 p.m., Free.
- >Moonshine, Klassix, 9 p.m., Free.
- >Simplicity, Mousetrap, 10 p.m., Free.
- >Live Jazz, Shanghai Bistro, 6:30-9:30 p.m., Free.

Saturday, Oct. 01

- >Cafe Accordion presents "Cyrano de Bergerac," Mabel Tainter Theater, 7 p.m., \$12/\$10.
- >Flamenco Guitar Music Dance, Philips Memorial Public Library, 1:30-3 p.m., Free.

Sunday, Oct. 02

- >Outdoor High Ropes, Stout Adventure Challenge Course, 12-4 p.m., Free.

Monday, Oct. 03

- >Yoga for rock climbers, Rec Center, 7:15 p.m., Free.

Tuesday, Oct. 04

- >Born into Brothels, Room 210 APPA, 7 p.m., Free.

Wednesday, Oct. 05

- >No events scheduled.

Thursday, Oct. 06

- >Mel Gibson and the Pants w/ TBA, Rec Center, 8 p.m., Free.

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"Corpse" not worth digging



Jarrod Burns and William Butchee

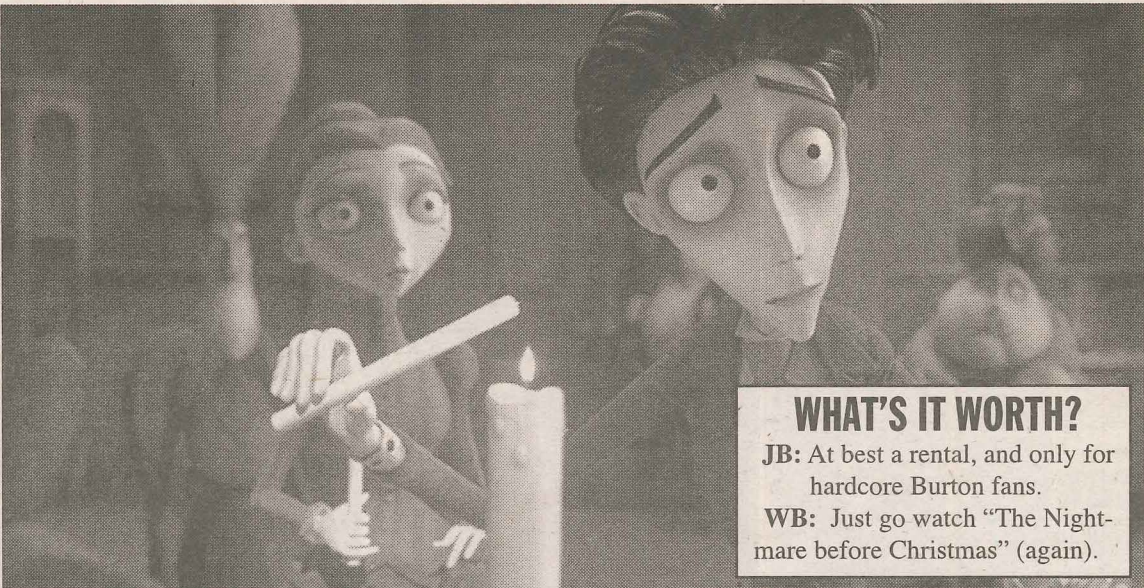
Entertainment Writers

"Tim Burton's *Corpse Bride*" is a dark tale of death and lost love set in Victorian England. The story follows Victor, an awkward young man whose parents have arranged for him to be married to a young woman named Victoria, neither of whom have met before their wedding rehearsal.

Their obnoxious parents and initial misgivings aside, Victor and Victoria's first meeting is, much to their relief, love at first sight. Though Victor makes a terrible impression on his in-laws during the rehearsal, at least the marriage looks like it will be a happy one once the wedding is over. Of course, this is before Victor accidentally weds a corpse when he's practicing his vows out loud in the forest.

This is the setup for the rest of the movie, which lasts a total of an hour and seventeen minutes and seems to want to mix equal elements of "Beetlejuice," "Nightmare Before Christmas" and Dickens.

WB: "Corpse Bride" somehow manages to make 77 minutes feel like a three-hour attempt at musical comedy. I



WHAT'S IT WORTH?

JB: At best a rental, and only for hardcore Burton fans.

WB: Just go watch "The Nightmare before Christmas" (again).

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Tim Burton's second stop-motion feature film, "*Corpse Bride*," somehow manages to make 77 minutes feel like three hours. Even an A-list voice cast, including Johnny Depp, couldn't save this disappointment.

didn't even pay for this movie and I felt ripped off.

JB: Being a fan of Tim Burton's "A Nightmare before Christmas," I assumed that "Corpse Bride" would be of the same level of quality and entertainment. I couldn't have been more wrong. I also felt ripped off by this movie (and I paid for both our tickets).

WB: The look of "Corpse Bride" would be acceptable for works coming out of the early nineties, but this being the year 2005, I wasn't impressed.

I didn't have a problem with the animation, but the set design made the movie feel like it was being filmed in a shoebox.

JB: As with any stop-motion animation, I can appreciate the work that goes into it. What I don't appreciate is the lack of

detail and depth in the models and animation of the "Corpse Bride." The flat walls of the town and the fully human cast made for an overall bland look.

WB: To be fair, the look of "Corpse Bride" doesn't kill the film entirely. It's the story that does that.

The relationships between the characters fall in line with a generic, formulaic story.

The characters are so flatly written that even the voice acting can't give them a personality.

JB: More time was spent with the main character than any other character and I cared less for him than either of his love interests.

Another problem with the story was its excessive length. The story would have been bet-

ter served by a 10-minute short rather than a 77-minute feature film.

WB: The A-list voice cast was wasted on the sparse, unfunny and forced dialogue.

The forgettable musical numbers only emphasized the waste of voice talent.

JB: The songs in "Corpse Bride" are either muddled duets sung by two characters of opposite vocal range, or muddled chorus numbers in which the music clashes with the stiff singing.

WB: "Corpse Bride" fails to entertain.

I spent more time admiring my watch than watching Victor choose between the Corpse Bride and Victoria.

JB: I left the theater bored and dissatisfied.

A final trip through the "Myst"



Ami Kriho

Entertainment Writer

It seems as though the end has finally been written. "Myst V: End of Ages" concludes the long-running, highly acclaimed series.

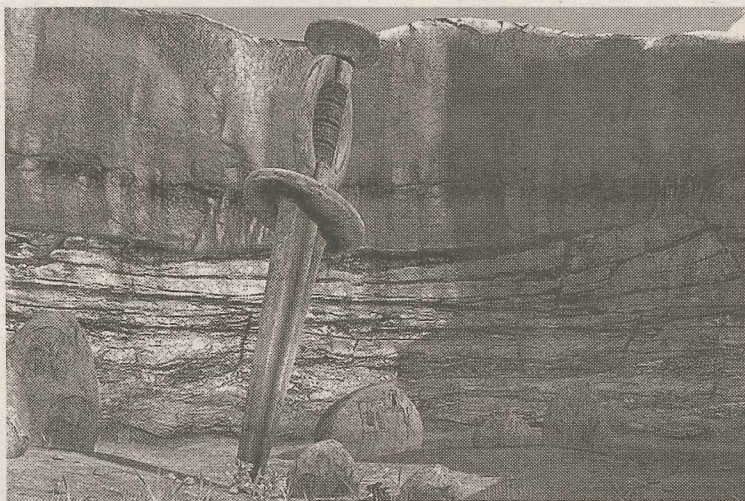
The graphics in "Myst V" are not exactly the best that a PC game can do. In fact, the graphics are on par with "Myst III: Exile," which came out in 2001.

In other words, the graphics haven't improved despite growing technology capable of handling better graphics.

The good news is that it should run well on most computers. But the thing about graphics in the "Myst" series isn't that they're made to be the best but to simply amaze a gamer with a stunning environment.

At this, "Myst V" doesn't fail. Live actors, a staple in the previous games, have been turned down in favor of polygon models.

The music in "Myst V" is typical of the series. Subtle yet dramatic, engaging but not dis-



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"Myst V: End of Ages," the conclusion of the long-running series, offers players a richly immersive environment.

tracting, the music is a pleasant mix of New Age and classical and changes several times in each Age (or level) depending on what is taking place, but there's nothing really ear-catching.

There are three different types of mechanics in the game for the player to choose.

Classic mouse-click mode is the easiest to use with its simple and fast transition between screens.

Free-move mode is the most advanced with movement taking place in real-time.

Classic plus mode is a combination of the two.

It's a "Myst" game, so of course the challenge and diffi-

culty is going to be high, but "Myst V" is rather easy compared to its predecessors.

It isn't so much a game about experimentation as it is about paying attention to the surrounding area.

Knowing what to do with given clues is not as challenging as knowing where to find them.

The game requires more seeking and finding than sitting and thinking.

The clues are often obscurely hidden and require tactical thinking in order to find them.

Once they're found it's a matter of simple logic to figure out what to do with them.

Clues are also given on a "just-in-time" basis.

This means that clues are found at around the time and place they're needed.

The Ages themselves are relatively short and straightforward so it's hard to get lost in them.

The overall challenge of this game was disappointing.

The story of "Myst V" directly follows the previous "Myst" plotlines.

In other words, it won't make any sense to someone who hasn't played the previous games in the series.

There is the same sort of openness to the plot in "Myst V" that the previous games had, such as choosing where to go first and having choices determine the ending.

There are three different endings, but only one that is proper.

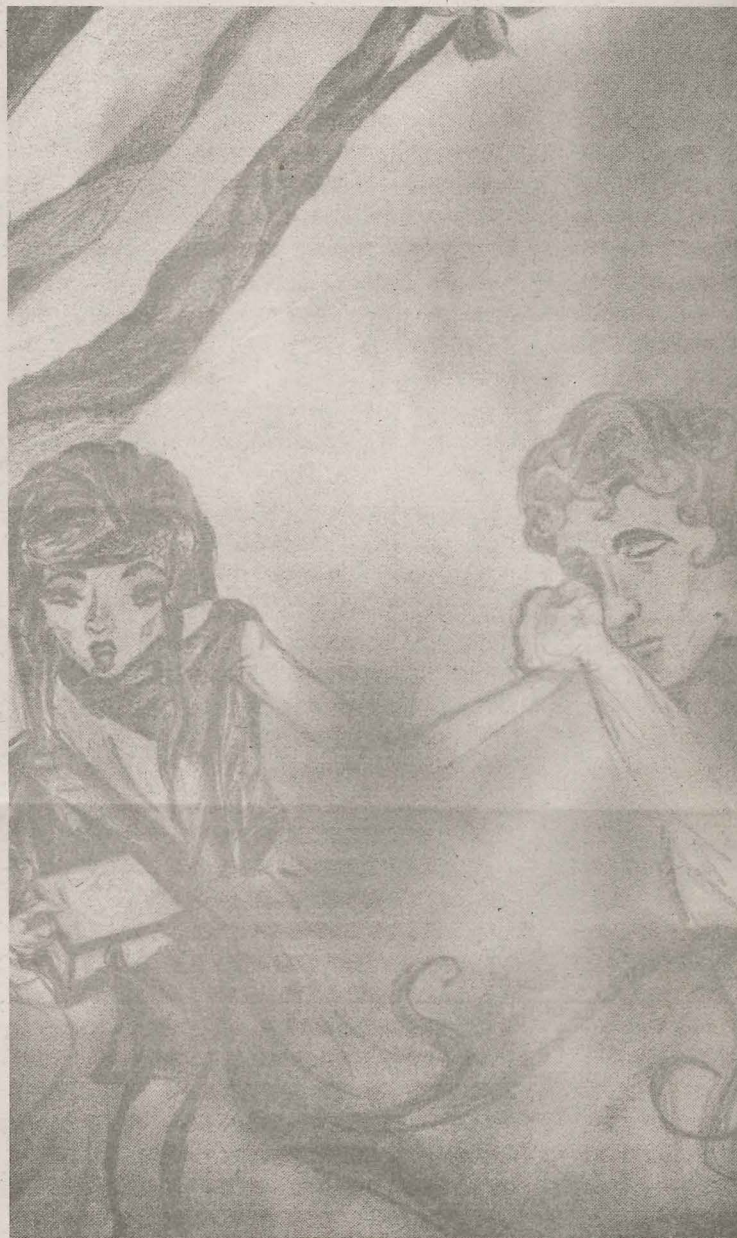
Overall, this game is only meant for loyal "Myst" fans that have played and enjoyed the previous games. Anyone else will be lost.

Also, be warned that the game was not properly debugged.

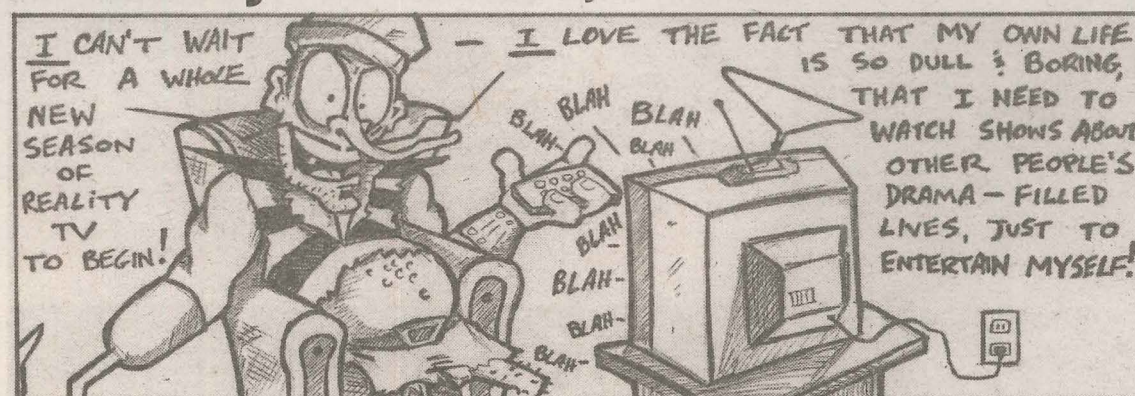
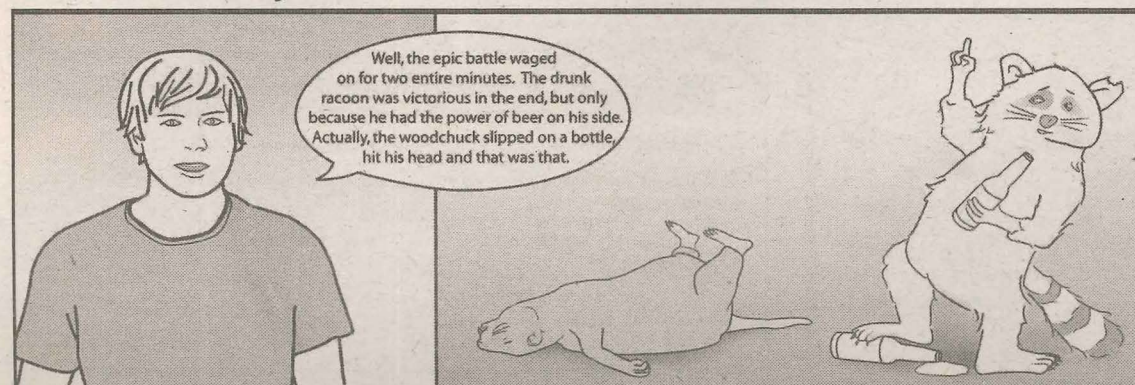
Twice I came across bugs in the game that altered the Ages so drastically that some were skipped entirely.

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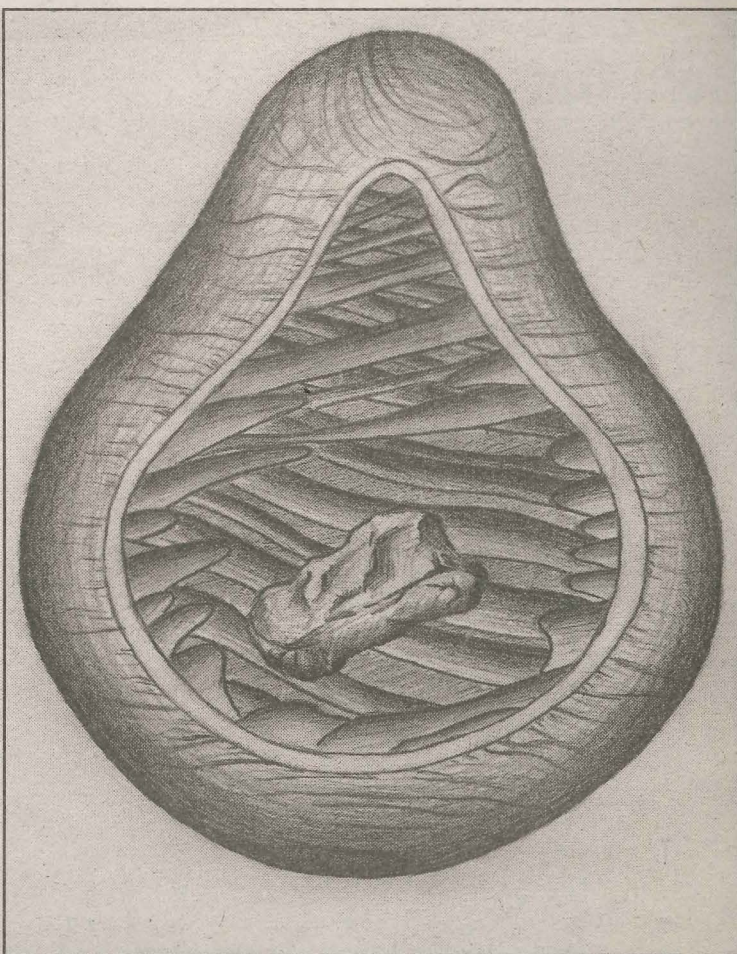
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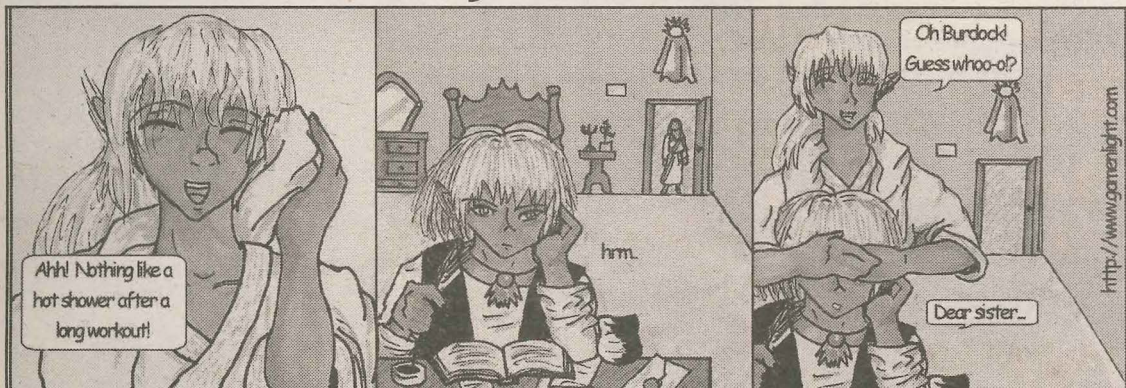
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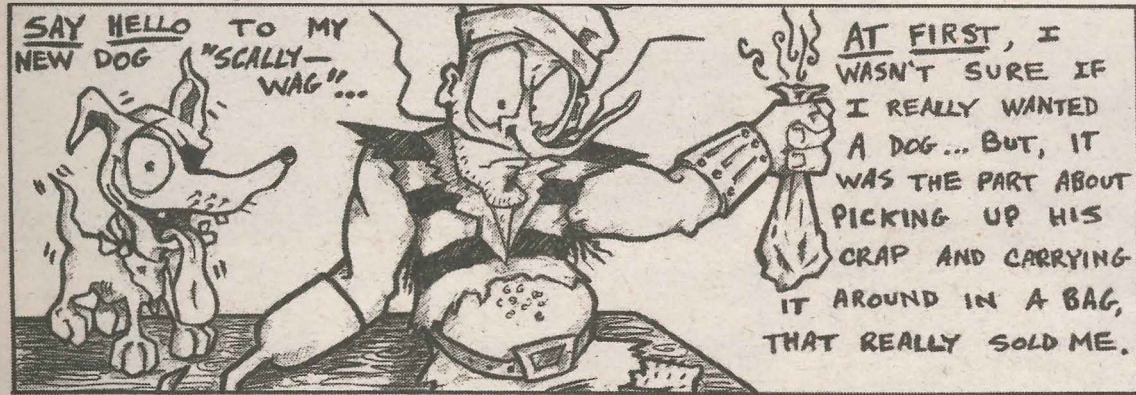
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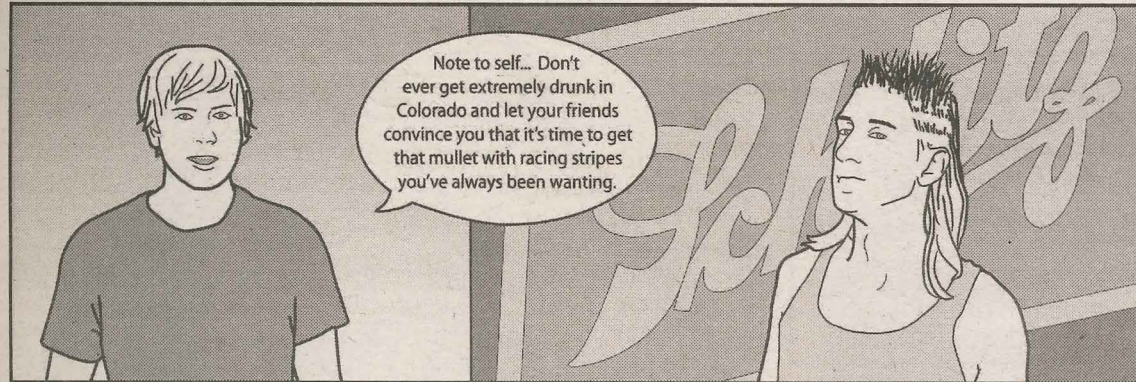
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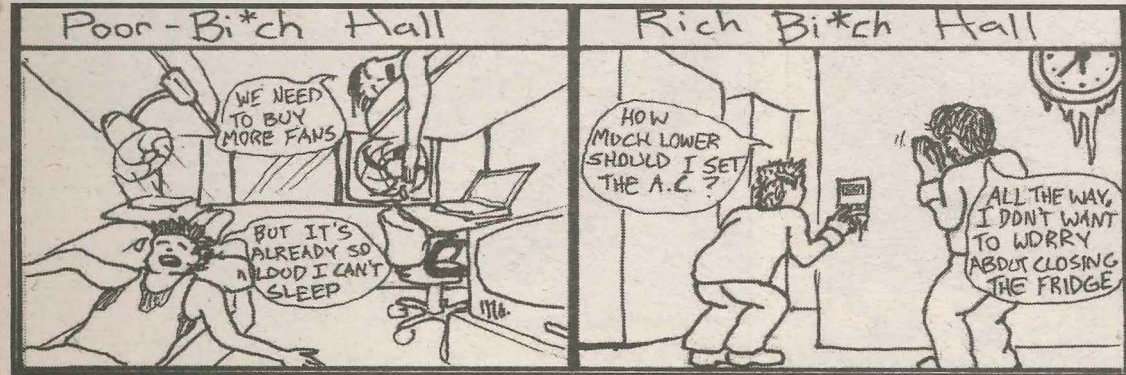
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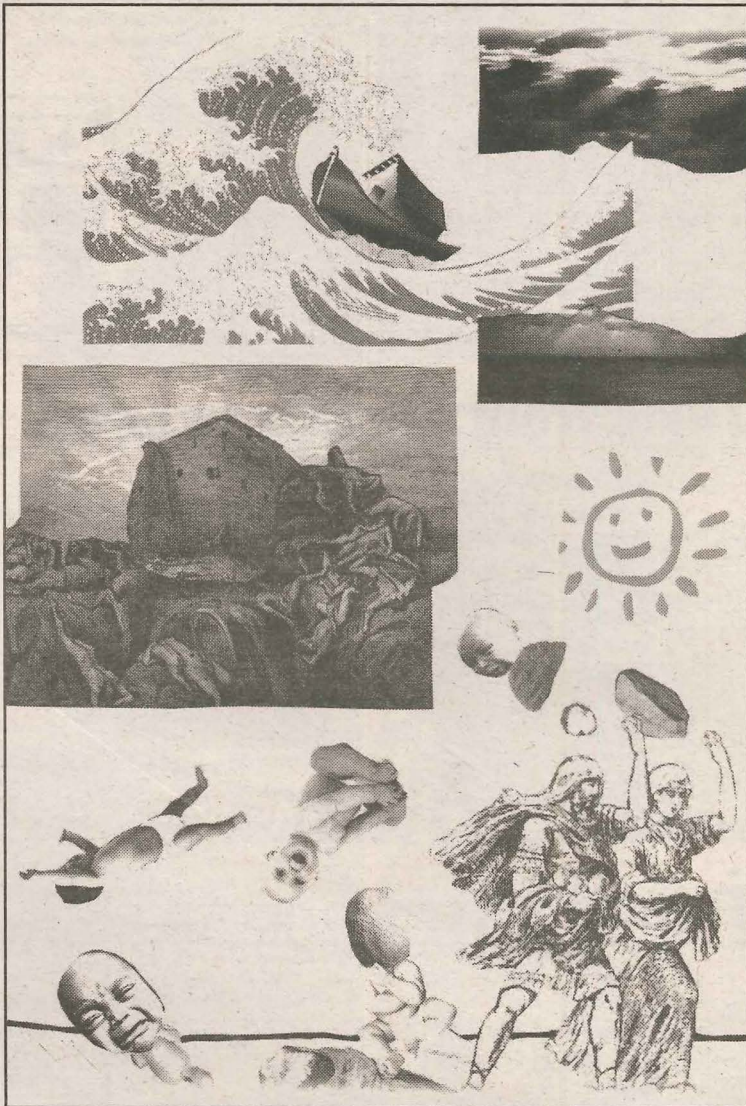
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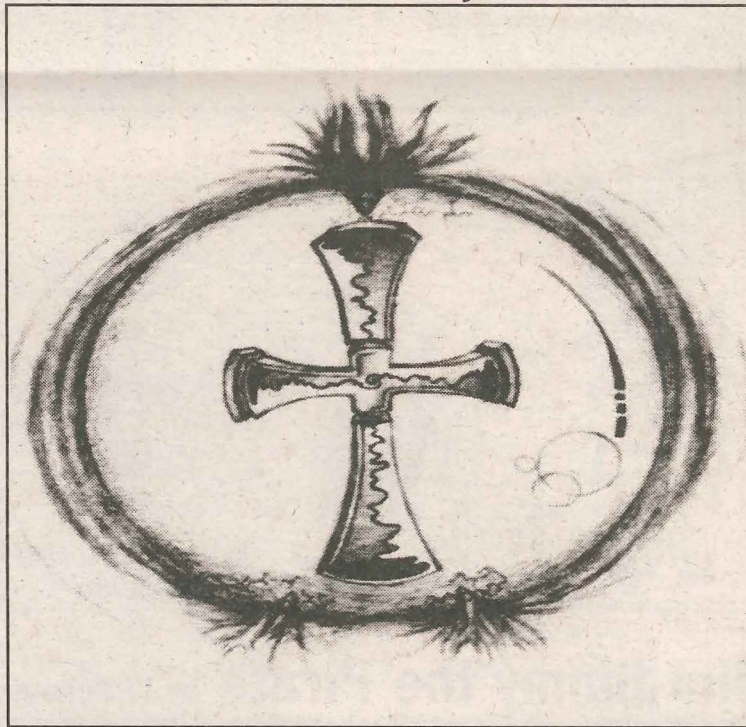
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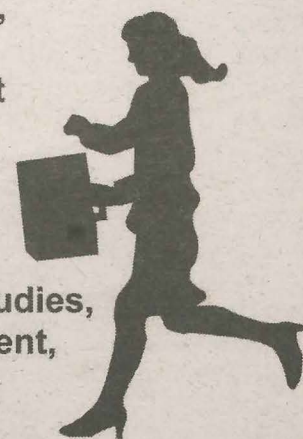
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Alfresco Club climbs in Baraboo

By Matt Edison
Sports Writer

Rock climbing, canoeing, cross country skiing, no I'm not talking about the latest episode of Survivor, but the University of Wisconsin-Stout Alfresco Club.

This club is run and organized by UW-Stout students who like to participate in outdoor activities and is open to all students.

The Alfresco Club is the oldest club here at UW-Stout and was established in 1964.

Almost every weekend there is a different activity planned. The different types of activities that the club does are biking, rock climbing, canoeing, cross country skiing and teaching primitive survival skills.

This past weekend, the Alfresco Club took 11 student on a rock climbing trip to the Devils Lake State Park in Baraboo, Wisconsin.

Chris Hoppe, a member of the American Mountaineer Guide Association (AMGA), and a certified rock climber, took the UW-Stout students through a set of routes, showed them how to anchor on the wall and taught them different climbing techniques.

While on the wall, there were different ability levels that the climbers could choose from, such as beginner or expert routes. The students camped out Friday and Saturday in tents within Devils Lake State Park.

"Being up on the wall this weekend rocked," said Gavin Chenery, a senior in Manufacturing Engineering.

During upcoming weekends, the Alfresco Club will be traveling to Chippewa Falls,

Wis. to go sky diving with Skydive Wissota, canoeing at Wild State Park, biking at Levis Trough and backpacking on the Superior Hiking Trail.

If any of these activities strike your interest and want to participate in the club, contact the club at alfresco@uwstout.edu or hit up one of the meetings in Cedarwood in the Memorial Student Center Wednesdays at 8 p.m.

"Everyone is there to have fun and to have a good time," says Kyle Hoppe, President of the Alfresco Club here at UW-Stout.

It gets better; the Alfresco Club even went to Teaching Outdoor Drum School to learn primitive survival skills.

While in attendance, Alfresco members viewed a professional guide who showed and taught them how to navigate by looking at the sun and its shadows. The guide also showed the group which plants are edible and how to make a friction fire.

It is important to not confuse the Alfresco club with Stout Adventures. The Alfresco Club is ran by the students and they don't get paid, unlike the Stout Adventures Club.

You would think that with all of the cool activities that the club partakes in that Alfresco Club would be expensive to join, but it is suprisingly within the poor college student budget. Students who join get good rates on the activities.

"Cheap and fun are two words that should make every student's head turn and this club does both," says Hoppe.

Students who want to join the Alfresco Club don't need a membership to join, but the group does offer a membership which

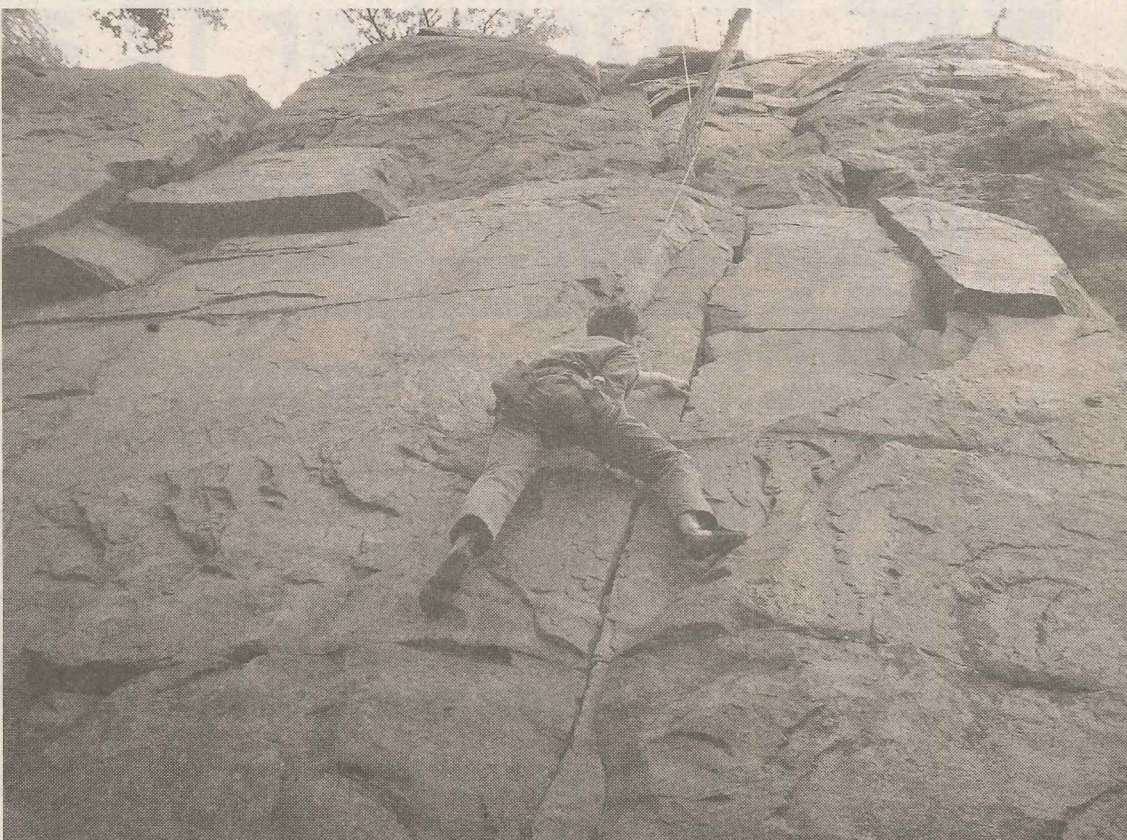
costs \$15 a year or \$10 per semester. It should be noted that students who pay for the membership get better rates on fees for the trips that they go on.

"It's laid back and it's cool to learn new techniques in a fun way," says Hoppe.

For those individuals who enjoy being outdoors and trying new and exciting things, the

UW-Stout Alfresco Club may be just the club for you.

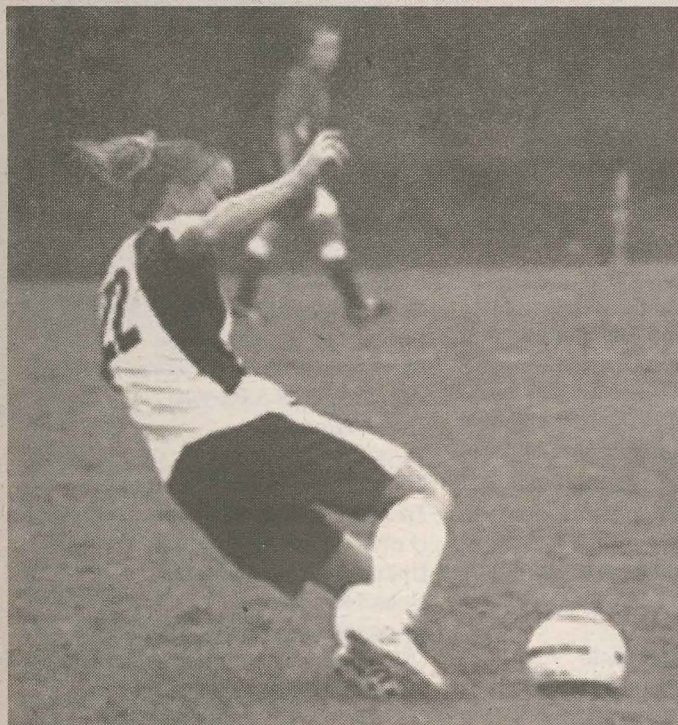
It's also not too late in the year to check it out, because the club takes in new members throughout the school year.



Contributed by Kyle Hoppe

The University of Wisconsin-Stout Alfresco Club is the oldest club on campus. The group participates in a variety of activities including rock climbing, canoeing, cross country skiing and sky diving. Most recently the Alfresco Club traveled to the Devils Lake State park in Baraboo Wisconsin to rock climb.

Blue Devils suffer OT loss



The Blue Devil women's soccer team suffered its first overtime loss since 1999, as the University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point scored with just 21 seconds remaining Saturday for the win.

UW-Stout's goalie Meredith Charla Buxbaum recorded nine saves and was dealt her first collegiate loss.

The Blue Devils (4-1-2, 1-1-1 WIAC) will host Wartburg College Friday Sept. 30 for a non-conference game at Nelson Field starting at 7 p.m.

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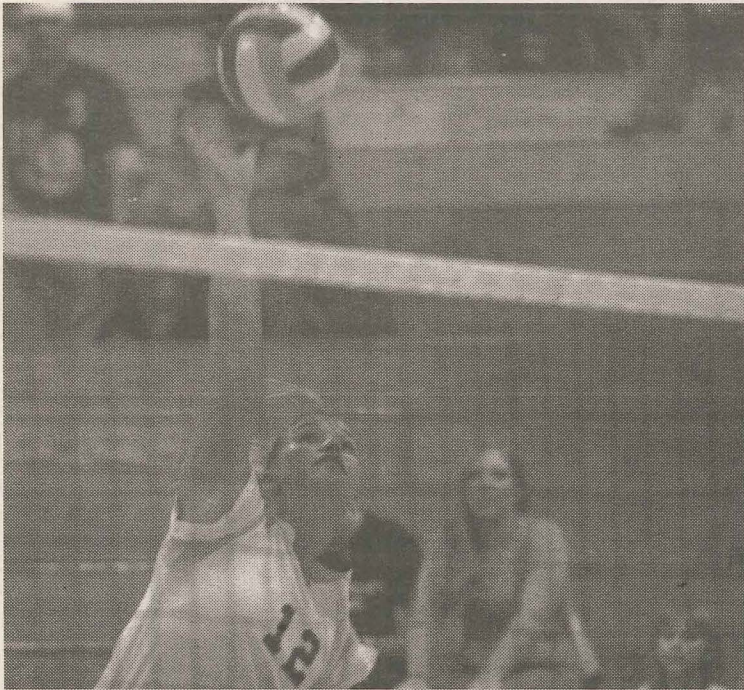
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Blue Devils snag victory



Contributed by Layne Pitt

University of Wisconsin Stout's outside hitter Lacey Bunkelman goes to the net as the Blue Devils beat Northwestern 3-0 Tuesday.

By Rachel Wick
Sports Editor

Jenny McDermid and Natalie Naaktgeboren tallied 11 kills each to pave the way as the University of Wisconsin-Stout women's volleyball team downed Northwestern (Minn.) College September 27 at the Johnson Fieldhouse.

Junior Kate Roesler contributed a team-high 26 assists, while Linda Meyer added 10 digs for the Blue Devils and Sarah McElfresh had seven.

So far this season, the team has posted a 11-7 record overall and are 2-2 in conference play.

Last weekend the Blue Devils competed in the Lisa Siegenthaler Memorial Tournament at

the University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire. During the first day of the tournament, UW-Stout clinched a 3-2 win over Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Conference rival the University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point during the second round.

This win came after the Blue Devils suffered two brutal WIAC losses earlier in the day. During the second day of the tournament, UW-Stout lost to Millikin University 26-30, 30-25, 32-30, 30-25 and were downed by the University of Wisconsin-River Falls 31-29, 30-23, and 30-23.

The Blue Devils will return to action tomorrow as they host the University of Wisconsin-Whitewater at 7 p.m.

Urec Golf Scramble

By Rachel Wick
Sports Editor

The weather is turning brisk; not what most people would typically consider ideal golf conditions. Fall weather isn't going to stop golf enthusiasts from the University of Wisconsin-Stout from hitting the greens at the Menomonie Golf & Country Club Friday September 30 for the 11th Annual Urec Golf Scramble.

"I think that it is something that people look forward to," said the Urec's Holly DeMarce.

The scramble consists of eighteen teams and will kickoff at 3 p.m. The 3-person teams can be made up of UW-Stout students, faculty, staff, alumni and be co-ed.

It is required that two of the three team members currently be affiliated with the university. If a team is comprised of less than three players, then they will only be allowed two shots per team as allowed by the scramble rules. If a teammate cancels, it is recommended that the team replace the player.

The application deadline was September 28, but according to DeMarce, the Urec office presently has two 3-person teams open and interested parties can still participate in the tournament if they drop off an entry form today at the Urec office, which is located in the lower level of the Sports and Fitness Center. The entry fee is \$10 for students, \$15 for faculty/staff and is \$10 for members of the Menomonie Golf & Country

Club. The entry fee is to be paid with a completed entry form. In addition, green fees and prizes are included in the entry fee.

"We fill it up every year. During both the fall and the spring, every time we fill it up," said DeMarce. "In the fall the tournament is at the Menomonie Golf & Country Club and in the spring it is at the Chippewa Valley Country Club and we always fill the eighteen teams."

According to DeMarce,

"I think that it is something that people look forward to,"

~Holly DeMarce
Urec

the scramble is an event that members of the faculty and staff, as well as students, look forward to. She adds that many participants enjoy the fact that they are golfing alongside people that they typically wouldn't be golfing with, such as students competing with against professors.

"I think that this is a good opportunity for this to happen. Many organizations promote their events as having participants that are a mix of students, faculty and staff, but often don't end up being so," said DeMarce. "We have such a good mix of faculty, staff and students."

The 3-person teams will be put into two flights. The flighting

will take place after the 9-holes are played and is based on four blind holes. No handicaps will be used.

Prizes will be awarded for the winner (low gross) in each flight and door prizes will also be given out to participants. If a tie occurs, a scorecard playoff will be used to determine the winner of the flight.

On the day of the tournament, all of the teams need to be checked in by 2:45 p.m. and be prepared for the shotgun start at 3 p.m. Unfortunately, due to time constraints, if a team doesn't show up on time the scramble will proceed on time.

At this time, there is not a rain date scheduled, but if the scramble needs to be rescheduled due to bad weather, the event often takes place on the following Friday.

According to DeMarce, there are many golfers that compete in both the spring and the fall tournaments. She estimates that there are around twenty faculty and staff members that are regular faces at the event.

There are also several students that compete in the tournament on a regular basis, and DeMarce has found that the faculty and staff don't change as much every year and that each year there are a lot of participants that are new to the Urec Golf Scramble.

"We have those people that play in both the fall and the spring year after year," said DeMarce.

STOUTONIA'S Athlete OF THE Week

Junior outside hitter Jenny McDermid tallied 11 kills a the University of Wisconsin-Stout women's volleyball team swept Northwestern College (Minn.) College (30-25, 30-24, 30-28).

McDermid returns this season as the team's kills lead-

er. During the 2004 season she made an impressive 186 kills, had 73 digs, 48 assists and 106 blocks.

Last year she was also named the team's most improved player.

The Blue Devils have a 11-7 record and are looking

to add more wins as they take on the University of Wisconsin-Whitewater at 7 p.m. and will host the University of Wisconsin-Oshkosh Oct. 1 at Williams Stadium.

The team will compete at the UW-Oshkosh tournament Oct. 7-8.

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McDermid tallied 11 kills on Sept. 27 to help rally the UW-Stout women's volleyball team to a victory over Northwestern.



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FOOTBALL (3-0)

24-7 FINAL

After a week off, the Blue Devils will attempt to remain undefeated as the team hosts Waldorf College on Saturday Oct. 1 at Williams Stadium



CROSS COUNTRY

St. Olaf Invitational
Men: 7th Women: 7th
Next Meet:
Oct. 1 at the Beloit Old English Invitational



TENNIS (2-4)

5-4 FINAL

The team suffered a 5-4 loss to the UW-River Falls Sept. 24
Next Match:
The Blue Devils host UW-La Crosse Saturday Oct. 1



SOCCER (4-1-2)

1-0 FINAL

The Blue Devils were dealt their first loss of the season as the Pointers earned the 1-0 win
Next Game:
The team hosts Wartburg College Friday Sept. 30



VOLLEYBALL

(12-7) 3-0 FINAL

The volleyball team defeated Northwestern College 3-0 at home on Tuesday
Next Match:
The Blue Devils host UW-Whitewater Friday Sept. 30



By Bryan Horwath
Sports Writer

Well, sports fans, it's almost October again and you know what that means.

Actually, you might not. Let me try to refresh your memory. If you were thinking World Series, NFL regular season, college football conference play, or NBA training camp, those answers are correct.

The sport I'm talking about, however, is one that you may not remember. It's an ancient sport that our fathers and grandfathers used to follow: pro hockey. You know from those old books: that game with ice and sticks and the men with no teeth.

Okay, I'm exaggerating. The National Hockey League was only gone for one year, but it seems like much longer. In any case, it's back now with training camps for all teams opening this past week.

The question is: if a puck drops in an NHL arena and nobody is watching, has the puck really been dropped?

After an owner's induced work stoppage ended up wiping out the entire 2004-05 season – the first time this has happened in any major U.S. sport – the NHL is banking on some new rule changes and a stronger economic system (for the owners, at least) to usher in a new era.

Those of us here at the University of Wisconsin-Stout from Minnesota know that the Wild will probably do just fine, because the Land of 10,000 Lakes also can be called the

State of Hockey, and for good reason as Minnesotans are nuts about hockey.

So are the people of Canada and they will likely come out in droves to watch any level of hockey. After all, what else is there to do in Canada, aye?

But what about the good people in tropical climates like Phoenix, Miami, Tampa, Atlanta, Charlotte, Dallas and Los Angeles? When you put a hockey team in a city where frost is considered good reason to cancel school, hockey may not be the most natural fit. Especially when the newness wears off and greedy owners and stubborn players lock heads while deciding to skip an entire season.

The danger to the NHL is that the sport could become so irrelevant in a tight sports marketplace that it may become a thing of the past altogether.

The sports totem poll in

America goes something like this: Watching the NFL and/or NASCAR is probably tied for third in popularity among adult pastimes, right behind sex and controlled substance use. Next is a logjam including Major League Baseball, the NBA, NCAA basketball, and golf.

Then you have your fringe sports like beach volleyball, tennis, soccer, and horse racing. The NHL right now is sandwiched somewhere between hop-scotch and competitive cheerleading. The question will be whether the NHL can start to recover its fan base this season.

Some changes have been made this year in the NHL rule book to try and stir up some interest. These include a true overtime where one team is guaranteed to win by shootout if necessary (strange concept, huh?), stricter regulations on the padding that goalies wear, and players being allowed to use their

skates as weapons during fights Happy Gilmore style. Okay, you got me, that last one isn't true.

The first two are real. I suppose these rules could make the game a little more exciting. Changes were also made to make the rink a little bigger in an effort to increase scoring.

I can honestly say that in most situations I would choose to do just about anything else than sit down to watch an NHL game. As long, of course, as the other option doesn't include physical pain. In this case, I would definitely have to consider the hockey game.

That being said, I know there are a lot of you out there who love pro hockey, and that's cool. The problem for the NHL is that there just isn't enough interest right now in America to add many new fans to the group. In fact, if you listen closely, you will be able to hear crickets at NHL arenas this season.

New in 2005

Pittsburgh drafted the most hyped NHL newcomer in many years when it selected Sidney Crosby No. 1 overall in this summer's draft. The Penguins also have Mario Lemieux (I think he was a rookie back in '91.....1891 that is), but will it be enough to get them back to the playoffs for the first time since 2001?

The Tampa Bay Lightning are the reigning Stanley Cup champions, but they lost goaltender Nik Khabibulin and will need to find a reliable stopper to contend for another cup. The Lightning signed much of its young talent to long term deals after the lockout and should be a factor come playoff time.

Wayne Gretzky's playing days are over, but it won't be hard to spot The Great One this year as he was hired this past August to coach the Phoenix Coyotes. Whether or not residents in Arizona know who Gretzky is, I'm not sure.

The Minnesota Wild is back after a lackluster 2003-04 season. Marian Gaborik and Co. are three years removed from a berth in the conference finals. Although Minnesota expects to be strong defensively again, the question will be if the Wild can generate enough offense to return to the playoffs. Without a big addition in the off-season, it's anybody's guess.

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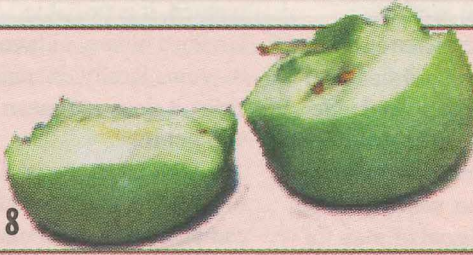
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Marijuana legal in Wisconsin?

By Kristie Wilson
News Writer

A medical marijuana bill introduced in Wisconsin statewide polls shows high support and is set for immediate

release on October 3, 2005. The bill is meant for ill persons for whom a doctor recommends the usage of marijuana.

This bill is meant to protect patients that are recommended the use of marijuana by their

physicians in regards of their health so they will not have the fear of arrest or jail.

"This bill has one purpose: to protect the sick and suffering," state Rep. Gregg Underheim said. "If someone's

doctor believes that marijuana might help them, that patient should not be threatened with arrest and jail."

The introduction of the bill showed a statewide poll support of 4 to 1. A statewide poll by Chamberlain Research Consultants showed 75.7 percent support for the medical marijuana legislation by Wisconsin residents on Sept 14. For all age groups the proposal topped 70 percent.

A telephone survey was conducted with 600 randomly

selected Wisconsin residents July 11-22, 2005, to determine some of the results. The poll questioned whether or not they favored the medical marijuana bill.

This bill would make it so, with the recommendation of a doctor, a seriously ill patient could possess a limited amount of marijuana for medical use. Some illnesses considered under the bill might be cancer, multiple sclerosis or other serious illnesses.

"With such strong support

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One last day at the beach



Kristie Wilson/Stoutonia

Some of the residents of HKMC decided to have a sand castle building competition to say good bye to the summer months. This masterpiece was one of the winners.

Sexual assault solved

UW-Stout students finally get an answer

By Lindsey Schultdt
News Editor

"It's something that changes your life forever," said Jodi Barrett, a graduate of the University of Iowa who currently works in Hudson, WI as a high school counselor. "I was sexually assaulted over seven years ago now, and the fear never leaves."

Two years ago, the same fear that Barrett felt while in college in Iowa was felt by many University of Wisconsin-Stout students after several alarming attacks on female students.

On Sunday, Sept. 7, 2003, then Menomonie resident Thomas Lynn Russell, 42, walked into an unlocked house on the 300 block of 2nd St. W. and bound up two female

residents. He kept the two by knife point for a short while and sexually assaulted one of them before leaving their home.

A week later, on Saturday, Sept. 20, Russell allegedly entered another unlocked home on the 200 block of 16th Ave. W. and bound another female resident with ropes. The resident was then almost strangled before her cries awoke her roommates.

Police and victims had no idea who the assailant was at that time and reminded students and residents to keep their doors locked. Lisa Walters, Chief of the UW-Stout Police Dept., stated that everyone would be living uncomfortably for a while until he was caught.

"90 percent of victims

Assault cont. on page 2

G.I. Bill financially supports education

By Kristie Wilson
News Writer

A new Government Issue Bill was passed to help Wisconsin veterans and their dependents go to a University of Wisconsin-System or a Wisconsin Technical School. The bill was recently signed by Governor Doyle in July.

The bill helps all veterans and people who are dependant

on veterans. It has no income limits, delimiting periods following military service where the benefits must be used or the level of study is limited.

"This is truly a positive step in helping more Wisconsin residents go to school," said Larry Graves, Assistant Registrar at the University of Wisconsin-Stout.

One must be an eligible veteran with Wisconsin residency who has entered active duty. In this case the G. I. Bill will waive fifty percent of tuition and fees for up to 128 credits or eight full-time semesters.

One can be a dependant of a veteran from Wisconsin who has entered active duty. In this case the G.I. Bill will waive 100

percent of tuition and fees for up to 128 credits or eight full-time semesters. Dependents will be eligible if the veteran has either a combined VA service-connected disability rating of thirty percent or great, or has died in the line of duty.

Spouses will be eligible for up to 10 years after the date of death or service-connected

disability rating. Children will be eligible at the age of 18 through 25.

"Personally, I think this is a great piece of legislation and it will help the men and women who have served the nation achieve their educational goals," said Lieutenant Colonel Scott Bolstad, Professor of Military Science.

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Weather

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Sunday 10-9 60° / 38° Partly Cloudy
Monday 10-10 62° / 40° Partly Cloudy
Tuesday 10-11 57° / 42° Cloudy
Wednesday 10-12 58° / 44° Showers
Thursday 10-13 59° / 41° Showers

Breast cancer awareness month

By Kristie Wilson
News Writer

One in eight women have or will develop breast cancer; this year more than 211,000 women in America will be diagnosed with breast cancer and 43,300 will die according to <http://www.nationalbreastcancer.org>. This month marks the 21st annual National Breast Cancer Awareness month, a program created to encourage earlier detection and better and more effective treatments.

National Breast Cancer Awareness Month has been there to educate women about diagnosis and treatment and especially the importance of early detection. Therefore, women should have a mammography study done by the age of 40. October 21 is

National Mammography Day. Younger women are encouraged to do a self-exam monthly.

This year they want to make it easier for uninsured or under insured women age 40 and older who would not normally be able to afford screenings to receive them. They also want women to set a personal goal or plan for their own breast health.

A nationwide campaign is held that is aimed at the public, health care professionals, employers and the federal government. This is done strictly by all women. It is likely that someone you know has been affected by breast cancer.

"You don't want to have it, but you can survive it," said Linda Schutt, a breast cancer survivor.

Not all things you hear about breast cancer are true. Men can

get breast cancer; though it is a much small percent compared to women, it is possible. Although having a history of breast cancer in your family increases your risks, it does not mean that you will get it.

"We feel it is important to create cancer awareness on campus because our whole committee has been affected by cancer in one shape or form," said Nicole Hilton, a senior majoring in psychology and the president of Colleges Against Cancer.

"We are creating awareness on campus to raise money for the American Cancer Society to help those affected by cancer and to help support research and to create awareness so people can take preventive measures. Early detection is the key in stopping the progression of cancer."

Think Pink Week Oct. 24-29

Donation jars will be at all residence hall desks all week.

Oct. 17-21 & Oct. 24-28: Think Pink T-shirts will be sold from 10 a.m. until 4 p.m. outside the bookstore in the lower level of the Memorial Student Center for \$5 a piece.

Oct. 25: Students will be dressed up for Breastfest and will hand out information on and around campus all day.

Oct. 26: Breastfest starts at 7 p.m. in the Great Hall. A cancer survivor will speak and balloons will be released.

Marijuana / legalized?

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from all sides of the political spectrum, we are hopeful the medical marijuana bill will move forward quickly," said MPP legislative analyst Adam Horowitz. "Wisconsin residents believe seriously ill patients should not have to live in fear, and we are optimistic that legislators will listen to their constituents and give Wisconsin patients the protection they deserve."

This bill has already been

passed in several states including Alaska, California, Colorado, Hawaii, Maine, Montana, Nevada, Oregon, Vermont and Washington.

for them," said Jacalyn Schultz, a junior at the University of Wisconsin-Stout majoring in food systems and technology.

Others feel the government is doing their job by legalizing the drug for those in need.

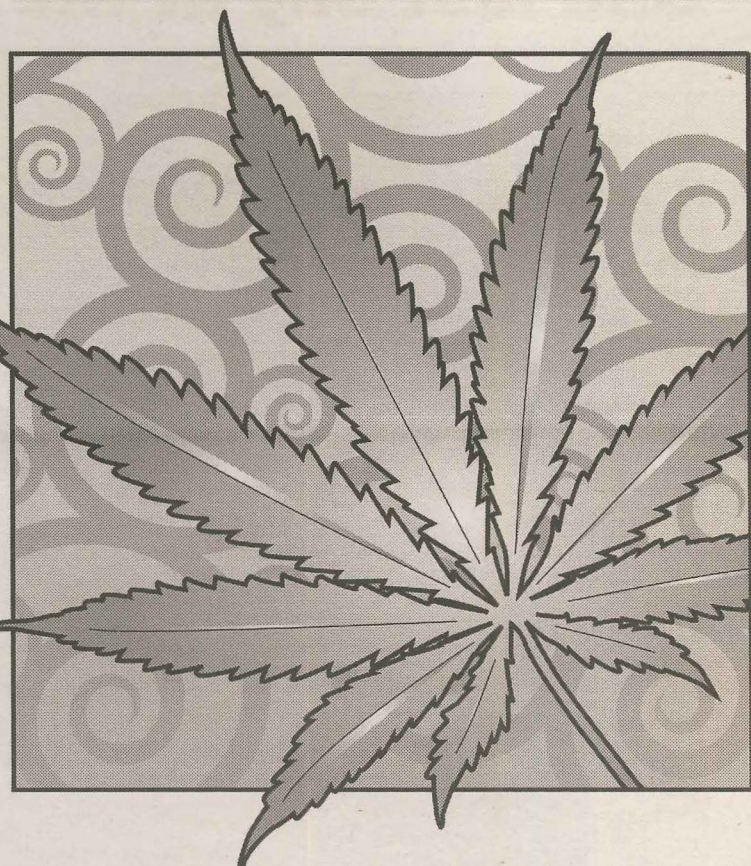
"I think it is reassuring that our state government is willing to make exceptions to help individuals who

are in constant need of relief," said Connor O'Brien, a senior majoring in business.

"This bill has one purpose: to protect the sick and suffering,"

~Gregg Underheim
State Representative

"Having a drug prescribed by a doctor is different than just saying I need this drug. So I am in favor of the bill being passed, if it's going to be more beneficial



Assault / assailant guilty on four different charges

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know their attacker," said Christine Weigel, coordinator of the Campus Violence Prevention Project for UW-Stout. "It was unique that these girls didn't."

The break in the case came last year when Russell's DNA was matched in two

additional cases in St. Croix, WI and Hopkins, MN.

Russell was charged with one count of Sexual Assault in the First Degree with the use of a Dangerous Weapon, two counts of False Imprisonment and one count of Burglary in the Sept. 7 case, which was tried from Monday, Oct. 3 through Tuesday Oct. 4.

For the second incident that occurred on Sept. 20, Russell was charged with one count of Burglary and one count of False Imprisonment.

The two cases are being tried separately by District Attorney James M. Peterson. Russell, who pleaded not guilty in both cases, testified earlier this week.

He claimed that he had known the victims prior to their claims and had lent them a considerable amount of money.

When they were unable

to pay him back, Russell said they offered to give him drugs and favors for the money. The victims had never met him before the attack.

"That man's testimony is not worth anything," Peterson said of Russell. "It's nothing but self-serving garbage. If you listen to his story on its face, it is patently ridiculous."

"Not only did he lie to you," Peterson told the jury. "He insulted the very victims he victimized."

Russell was found guilty in the first trial and is awaiting

sentencing. It only took the jury slightly more than an hour to deliberate.

"We're very pleased with the outcome," Peterson said.

The second trial date is yet to be set. Russell is also currently facing similar charges in Hopkins and St. Croix County. He is currently residing in the St. Croix County Jail in Hudson.

"Students need to learn to lock their doors all the time," said Weigel. "Something that simple could prevent a burglary or being assaulted."

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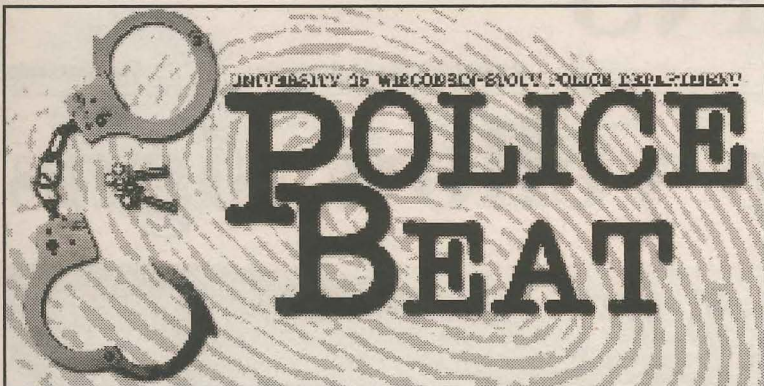
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Correction

In the Sept. 29 Stoutonia issue, there were two mistakes.

Kimberly Hart was elected as the second vice chair position (nationally for AAFCS), not as vice chair. Also, Hart is not the first from the University of Wisconsin-Stout to take office for AAFCS nationally. Tiffani Calmes was a national officer several years ago.

**Citations for Sept. 28- Oct. 4**

16 Citations for 1st Offense
Underage Drinking (UAD)
1 Citation for 2nd Offense UAD

Ashtray swipers

A ground supervisor reported that one of the new ash trays outside of the loading dock at the Applied Arts Building was stolen. It was cabled to a light pole near the entrance of the loading dock. The area was checked but the ash tray was not found. The "snuffers" weigh in at 225 pounds.

Smokey entrance

There was a complaint of people smoking too close to North Hall. An officer arrived and all smoking subjects were in the designated smoking area.

Pimped out car ripped off

A student reported that someone had broken into his vehicle parked in Lot 22. There was about \$3,410 of property stolen, including a Savv portable DVD player, a set of Ping golf clubs, Pyle LCD screens, Infinity subwoofer speakers, a Rockford Fosgate power amp and 55 audio CDs.

Little girl trapped in elevator

An officer and the MFD were dispatched to the Jarvis Hall Science Wing elevator on a call that there was a little girl trapped inside. The MFD staff opened the elevator and the girl was taken out. The power to the elevator was turned off and signs were posted on each floor.

Another person stuck in elevator

Two subjects were stuck in the elevator of the Library Learning Center. The MFD was dispatched and they opened the door and the subjects got out.

Coincidence? Or conspiracy?

The MFD was dispatched to Red

Cedar Hall for someone trapped in an elevator. MFD was able to get the person out of the elevator, but the elevator was not able to be fixed. The main power for elevator two was shut down.

It's not art, it's criminal

An officer was dispatched to JTC for the report of graffiti on a towel holder and a large garbage can stolen. The graffiti was observed to be written in almost gang-type style. No one was given permission to take the can and there are no suspects in either the graffiti or the theft.

Gotta go when you gotta go

Officers stopped a male subject at Main Street and 3rd Street East. The subject was found to be urinating near the jewelry store. The subject told police he had been walking home and severely twisted his ankle. He had to go to the bathroom, but couldn't walk. His ankle was very swollen. There was no city officer available to give the subject a public urination citation so the officer drove the subject back to his dorm and advised him to get it checked out before morning.

Disorderly pizza haters

Two male subjects were reported as being disorderly at Domino's Pizza. There was damage to the Domino's Pizza trailer. The officer found the subjects by 13th Ave. The males were questioned about the criminal damage and were transported back to Domino's for further questioning.

Gunfire in Menomonie?

An officer reported that he heard gun shots fired near Wilson Ave. The intersection was blocked off while officers searched the area. It was determined that a male was lighting off fireworks in the area.

Bomb kills people in prayer

A bomb exploded outside of a Shiite Muslim mosque just south of Baghdad killing 25 people and injuring 87 more. Hundreds of worshipers were in prayer for the first day of Ramadan for a man killed in an earlier bombing.

Hurricane Stan kills

Heavy rains flooded streets and homes in San Salvador, El Salvador. Hurricane Stan weakened to a depression on Wednesday after four torrential days of rain ravaged the city. The death count has reached to more than 120. More than 16,700 Salvadorians fled the city to 167 shelters.

Intelligent design

Schools are using a biology text that refers to "intelligent design" as an explanation for creation. Early versions of the book contained many reference to the word "creation," but in the revised version, creation seemed to be replaced with the word "design." Eight families at the Dover Area School District have protested the use of "intelligent design" in school because it violates the separation of Church and State.

Deadly hurricane season

Tropical storm Tammy hit the Florida coast and is the 19th storm in this hurricane season. This 2005 hurricane season has been one of the deadliest and costliest. Currently it is in a running tie with the 1995 season that ended with 19 hurricanes. The season is not over yet. It started in early June and ends in late November. The record was set in 1933 with 21 storms.

Tests show vessel unsafe

A boat identical to the tour boat that capsized on Adirondack Lake last week, killing 47 passenger, was tested to determine what went fatally wrong. Tests showed that the Ethan Allen couldn't hold the weight of the passengers on board the day it capsized.

Meiers to replace O'Connor

Bush chose longtime aide Harriett Meiers to replace Sandra Day O'Connor. Interestingly enough, Bush chose Meiers even though the Republican Party was trying to get a more established candidate in her position. There is a fear that the senate will have a field day with her, mostly from Bush's very own Republican Party.

Snowing in the West

Schools were closed all over the West recently when a snow storm dropped around 11 inches of snow onto Montana. There were around 11,000 homes with no electricity for several days, which meant an early break from school for many students. Utah's skiing season is looking up due to the snow, but it was such a thick and heavy snow that many were unprepared for the storm's wrath.

Python swallows alligator

A 13 foot python in the Everglades tried eating a 6 foot alligator. Although the snake completely swallowed the live alligator, the alligator clawed at the lining of the snake's stomach, which burst the snake's midsection open. The muddy mess was found by a helicopter and then pictures were taken. This is the third occurrence in the past three months. Scientists in the Everglades are becoming worried that if this becomes a normal occurrence, the snakes, which are not native, will begin to endanger many of the native species. Although not all of the other snakes have died, none of the alligators have lived.

Budget cuts get bigger

By Lindsey Schuld

News Editor

In the life of an everyday college student, debt is nothing new. However, the recent budget cuts for the next two years are anything but forgiving for students and University of Wisconsin faculty and staff alike.

"I would like to inform the campus of the continued budget crisis we face, reminding everyone that the cuts have been significant," said Chancellor Charles Sorensen.

"They are not yet completed, and we will have to, as a campus, understand that we must discontinue some services and functions and do others quite differently. This will be a challenge for everyone."

There are two different phases for the current budget cuts, phase one being for 2005-2006 and phase two being for 2006-2007.

There are four category reductions for the entire University of Wisconsin System, which include a \$20 million asset management cut, a \$15 million administrative cut, a \$5 million procurement reduction and a \$15 million joint finance reduction.

University of Wisconsin-Stout's cuts from this are almost \$1.7 million, \$580,000 of which are only a one time reduction, but more than \$1.1 million are permanent cuts. Most of the cuts have already been made, but there is still \$533,302 that is being dealt with.

"This is a serious fiscal issue and I am confident we will emerge a strong, viable institution," said Sorensen. "But we cannot expect to continue doing all that we presently do. We will continue to review the campus, the services we provide, the programs and support programs, workloads, vacancies and administrative positions.

"Everything will have to undergo scrutiny so we can continue to focus sharply on providing educational excellence to our students. I am asking for the support of everyone as we engage in this task."

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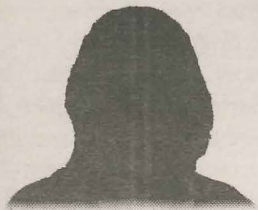
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Pedestrians and little yellow signs



Staff Editorial
The Stoutonia Staff

Walking to class can sometimes prove to be quite a chore. Yes, it does provide an excuse for exercise, but it's a weak one at that.

The dreaded rain, hiking up that great hill on the way to Bowman or Harvey Hall and dodging cars in the crosswalks can all cause problems.

This last problem can sometimes be the worst. Pedestrians are in a hurry to cross the street and get to

or back from class, and drivers are in a hurry to get to wherever they are trying to go.

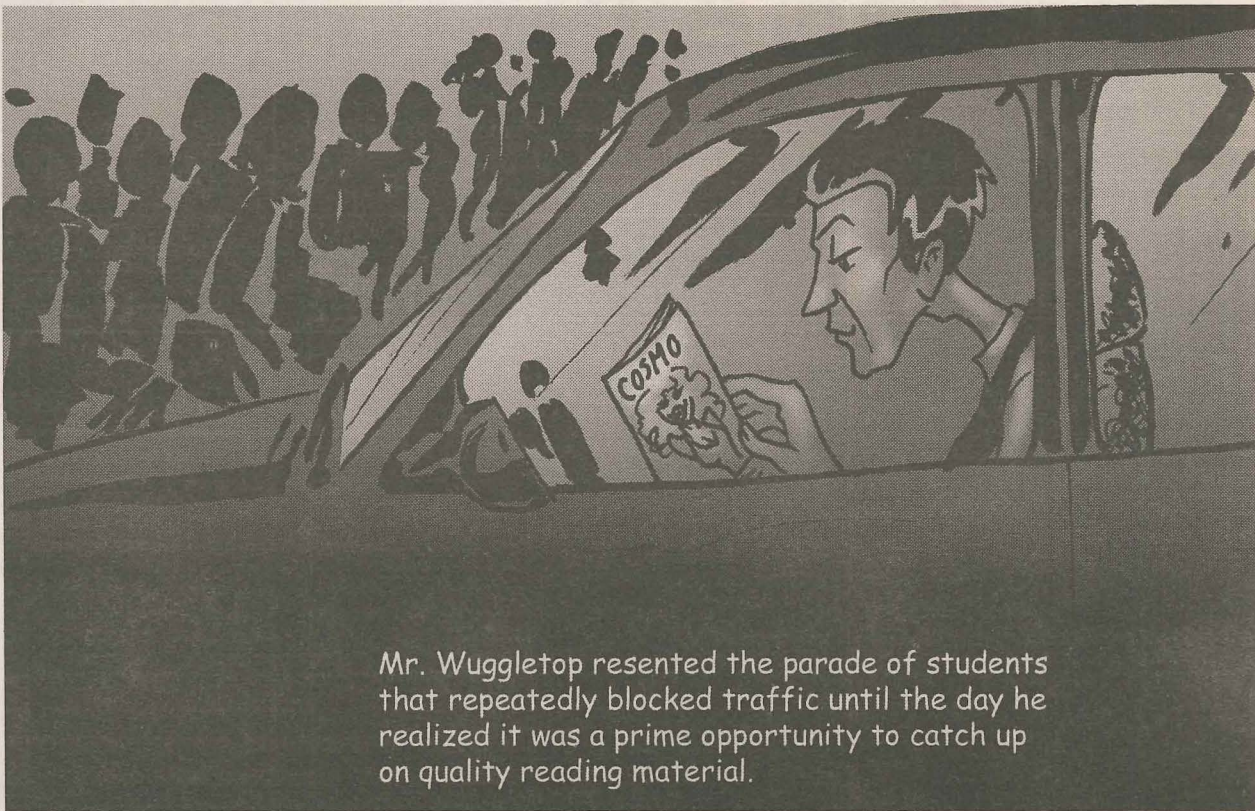
According to Aaron Fonder, a University of Wisconsin-Stout student, and member of the Menomonie City Council, safety has become an issue.

A big enough issue, in fact, that now we have signs warning drivers that it is state law to yield to pedestrians in a crosswalk.

Originally, there was only one of these signs. Now, there are three of them that are rotated at different crosswalks. They are rotated to see what effect they have at different locations.

Currently, these signs are taken down at night; there are hopes, however, that they will soon be left up 24 hours a day. There are also hopes that the university will be getting more of these signs.

So what happens when they are taken down, or if there isn't one in a particular crosswalk? There is some confusion as to who has the right of way, the driver or



Mr. Wuggletop resented the parade of students that repeatedly blocked traffic until the day he realized it was a prime opportunity to catch up on quality reading material.

the pedestrian.

Fortunately, there are laws that may help clear up some of this confusion.

Here are some laws concerning drivers and pedestrians, according to www.menomoniepolice.com.

1. Every pedestrian crossing a roadway at any point other than within a marked or unmarked crosswalk shall yield the right-of-way to all vehicles upon the roadway.

2. When crossing the roadway at an intersection or

crosswalk where traffic is not controlled by traffic control signals or by a traffic officer, the operator of a vehicle shall yield the right-of-way to a pedestrian. This needs to be consistent with the safe use of the crosswalk by pedestrians, who are crossing the highway within a marked or unmarked crosswalk.

3. The operator of a vehicle at a controlled intersection shall yield the right-of-way to pedestrians who have started to cross the highway on a green or "Walk" signal, and in all

other cases, pedestrians shall yield the right-of-way to vehicles lawfully proceeding ahead on a green signal.

4. No pedestrian shall suddenly leave the curb or other place of safety and walk, run or ride into the path of a vehicle which is so close that it is difficult for the operator of the vehicle to yield.

So now that we've got the laws cleared up, hopefully we won't see any more games of pedestrian bowling or the "who's going to go first" dance.

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Shawn Peter
Columnist

I'm sure you have heard about the bad things that the Personal Protection Act, the law that would allow concealed carry permits, will do.

If you haven't, well—you eventually will. This is a very hot bill, especially for gun owners, law enforcement and college students.

Hold up, how does the concealed carry bill, a gun bill, affect the college student? State funding: the University System is state funded.

So are our prisons! The prison population has increased significantly in the last two decades, requiring new prisons and expansion programs statewide. Prisoners require lots of money: state money.

The state spends more money on them than they do on the average college student. Which would you rather fund

more, prisons or schools? I'd choose the latter.

Lowering the crime rate to decrease the amount of prisoners would be helpful, especially considering the hits that the University System has received to its funding. The concealed carry bill is a solution.

I'm sure you've read the first paragraph and wondered what the concealed carry bill does. Here are the basics:

The concealed carry and personal protection bill would allow law-abiding citizens to carry a weapon for protection.

Similar laws are in place in 46 other states. Wisconsin isn't one of them...yet. In each of those 46 states, crime rates have fallen—by nearly a quarter in some!

That includes drops in homicide, robbery and aggravated assault. Nine of the 46 states now have the lowest crime rates in the country since concealed carry laws have been enacted there.

There are several details that most likely will be forgotten in arguments against the bill.

The Law Enforcement Act of 2004 (H.R. 218) allows

qualified active duty and retired cops to carry a concealed weapon in all 50 states.

However, Attorney General Lautenschlager advised that Wisconsin should not comply "upon sound advice of legal council."

In my opinion not complying with a federal law without sound reasoning is ridiculous!

Also, a recent court case, State vs. Hamden, found that individuals carrying concealed weapons in their own homes, property or places of business, do not need to obtain a license for concealed carrying of a weapon.

The case also recommended that Wisconsin enact a concealed carry law. The concealed carry bill simply ensures the court case and federal laws are compliant on the state level and citizens of Wisconsin can share the same rights as citizens from the other 46 states.

What is included in the bill? First, only people 21 and over can carry a gun. Next, a license must be obtained through the Department of Justice, and a criminal background check and a firearm safety course must be completed.

Should the Personal Protection Act be in Wis.?

A fee also must be paid to receive an I.D. card designated by the Department of Justice authorizing concealed carrying.

Lastly, concealed carrying is not allowed in airports, taverns, churches, athletic events or on school property, which should be a no brainer to most of us. However, the listed places have been used in arguments against having concealed carrying.

When placed in the hands of a well trained law abiding citizen, a concealed weapon can protect him or herself and defend those around them. Several examples from around the country are in the news on a weekly basis, just Google them to see them.

The only thing stopping the passage is Governor Jim Doyle, so that means another veto override is needed.

Last time the bill was short one vote to override the veto. Interested in having a concealed carry law like 46 other states? If you're from Wisconsin, talk to your local legislators and encourage them to support it today. (log on to www.legis.state.wi.us to find them).



Letters to the Editor

If you wish to submit a Letter to the Editor, letters can be sent to stoutonia@uwstout.edu. Letters must be no longer than 250 words and must be submitted by 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday in order to run in that week's issue.

Tell us what you think

The University of Wisconsin-Stout is lucky to have a campus newspaper that is as high quality as *The Stoutonia*.

Each year *The Stoutonia* loses staff members, and each year the paper gets better. Over the last five years, *The Stoutonia* has lost a number of leaders, writers, designers and people who were just plain good at their jobs

to graduation. But each year, more dedicated and talented individuals step forward and put together a campus newspaper every week.

Perhaps you are a regular reader, or maybe this is the first *Stoutonia* you've ever read. Either way, it doesn't matter. The staff of this newspaper is only concerned about putting together a good paper for their readers. Even if you only read one part one

time, they did their job so that you could be entertained for a little while.

Each week the paper is put together by regular college students, most have nothing to do with the journalism minor or English majors offered at Stout.

I'm writing this letter not to praise the paper and the efforts of the students who run it, but rather to encourage readers to show their support for one of the best student newspapers in the state.

So, if you've made it this far in my letter, consider writing your own. If you think the paper is great let them know, or if you think the paper is lacking tell them where they might improve. Either way, they'll try to make it better.

Curt Trnka
2005 Graduate

Walken 2008



Matt Schubbe
Columnist

I couldn't believe it when my friend told me. I just couldn't believe it. It was one of those situations described by comedian Lewis Black, where you hear something that you can't comprehend, and it gets stuck in your ear, and it's all you can think about for days. In Black's version, the person usually has an aneurism, but thankfully I was able to escape that. Still, I couldn't stop thinking about what this friend of mine had told me.

I suppose now that I've set up adequate suspense, I can spill the beans about what in fact was told to me. Some of you reading may already know this, but I didn't until recently. Suffice it to say I really wish that I could skip ahead in time, say about two years from now, because Christopher Walken is running for President in 2008.

Walking self-caricature Christopher Walken is planning on running for president in the next election, and I can't wait. Seriously. This man could read out of the phone book and it would be hysterical, so you can

imagine a speech given by him.

And if you still think I'm making this up, just go to his website, www.walken2008.com. I was just there recently, and it seems pretty legit to me. He's got his platform up there and everything. Not only that, but several very serious looking black and white photos to really round out the whole production. He's even started dropping a few catch phrases into the mix. His campaign page on the site, for example, invites people to spread the word and get everybody "talkin' about Walken." Priceless.

The only real concern I have is that this may be just another by-product of our celebrity obsessed culture. We've had several other celebrities hold various offices, but never a presidency. You kind of have to second guess a move like that. But on the other hand, it's freakin' Christopher Walken. Even if you don't agree with his policies, sending a vote his way would be worth it just to hear the inaugural address alone.

Maybe it was his turn playing U.S. secretary of treasury in the film "Wedding Crashers" that caused him to be bitten by the politics bug, or the sheer notoriety of his running at all. But whatever his reasons, the next couple of years of politics should not disappoint, because as of right now, people are already "talkin' about Walken."

What defines who a person is



Lindsey Schuldt
News Editor

Having been compared to all of my siblings for as long as I can remember, I thought for the longest time that the definition of who I am rested in what they accomplished. If I could equal their accomplishments or surpass them, then I would ultimately be a good person.

That's how I would be defined: a good person.

If I was to fall short of their achievements and goals then there was something wrong with me. I then became a bad person for not aspiring for enough, for not trying as much as I should have.

Then I would be defined as simply not good enough.

The past is not forgiving. It is a black and white replica of everything that actually happened, not everything that should have happened, not everything that almost happened or never did.

Some people look into their past and try to find a definition

of who they are according to the black and white pictures that have become what they are. Yet, it's not the definition of what we are that defines who we are.

Society is very focused on the negative things that have come from existence instead of the positive things that keep us in existence. Because of this, it becomes easy to write people off, it becomes easy to look at a person and see through them instead of into them. You can't define yourself by society's standards. You'd die trying.

Yet, inside of the soul, there is a room in which the heart resides when it needs a place to rest. This is where stories are told. It is the place in which the tears you didn't cry, slide down your face, where your strength goes when it doesn't know how to be strong.

Within this room, this is where one can find the definition of who they are. It's where you learn to listen when all you want to do is speak, it's where you learn to be strong when the rest of the world has run out of strength.

This is where you find your breath, where your sanity hides and your flaws don't define your intentions.

After a walk down mem-

ory lane this past weekend, for whatever reason, I was able to see past the successes and the failures I've endured in this short life I've lived. I was able to look inside of this room, and realize that what defines me isn't what I have to show for what I've been through, it isn't the characteristics I like to believe I hold within myself.

What defines a person, what defines me, are the people who know me, who have loved me, who have given me pieces of who they are so that I might be able to share their generosity with others. They are the ones that build that room inside of your soul. They are the ones that hold up the walls and teach you how to be a better person.

If you define yourself by those people, your definition, though brutally honest, will be brutally accurate. It's a world of give and take and they have taught me how to give, while insisting that from them there are things I must take.

If I could be half the person that these people have been to me, I wouldn't need a definition. But until that day comes, by judging all of those who love me, my definition would have to be a beautiful disaster, and that's more than okay with me.

Laptops should be used for learning



Brian Legg
Columnist

"Omfg, I have 2 take a test quick, brb."

Ah yes, the great and glorious learning asset that is the laptop computer. Now you can perfect the skills of multi-tasking in a real world environment. Once you get that great job, you'll be able to fool your boss into thinking you are working while you chat away with your extensive list of buddies.

I'm going to be honest

here; this column arises equally from jealousy as annoyance, so I'm not saying I wouldn't do the same. But seriously, has anyone seen a class where the laptop was a real learning enhancer? I've only heard one story and it involved a chat room for classroom discussion.

Don't get me wrong, I use a computer all the time to complete homework and perform other school related activities. I am also a big fan of the communication that the Internet affords us. Hell, I'm using one right now.

But when you put one in the hands of a college kid who's more concerned about what's poppin' tonight than what the professor has to say, problems are bound to arise.

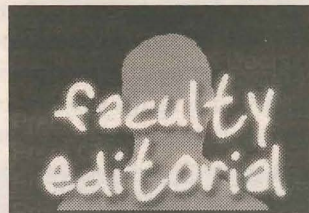
Again, I will step back and

say that some students do use these tools for good. Many a note is plugged away in a nice legible fashion and saved in an easily retrieved folder. Occasionally, the answer a professor is fishing for is Googled and provided to keep the class moving. To the responsible among us, I applaud you.

Even to those who watch movies or chat or e-mail, more power to you. If you can do these things and still keep your G.P.A. up, you will be a great worker some day. Plugging out TPS reports while simultaneously playing Tetris and IM-ing up a storm will allow you to skate through life without ever really being where you are.

In the meantime, you provide great entertainment for

How's your resume



Len Bogner
Assistant GCM Professor

This letter is directed mainly to the Graphic Communication Management (GCM) majors, but may have some worth to the rest of the campus.

I am sure you are getting tired of me asking you how your resume looks, but time is running out! The Career Conference is coming around and it is NEVER too early or late to start networking, especially if you still need a co-op.

I do not know if you understand what an advantage it is to have employers coming to campus to attend the Career Conference. In my educational career, I have attended several schools and none of them came

those of us who are sans-laptop and get bored from time to time too. Watching you seamlessly transfer from five IM screens and an e-mail to Microsoft Word when the professor decides to walk to the back, we can only wish to have the kind of fulfillment you must get from this bit of covert-ops.

close to having the success that the University of Wisconsin-Stout does in hosting such a gathering.

At last count, there were over 20 companies coming to campus to recruit GCM majors. OVER 20! There is NO excuse why you cannot attend at least part of the conference.

I will be there networking and looking for you. Dust off and update your resume (I believe you have all had the assignment to create one), dress appropriately, talk to people, and BE PROFESSIONAL.

Sign up for some interviews, even if you are not ready to accept a position. This will allow you to learn more about the employer, and them about you. Remember, don't be nervous, be yourself, because it's all good.

If you would like to submit a faculty editorial, send your idea to stoutonia@uwstout.edu or the Opinions Editor.

You pay a lot of money to attend classes, and you pay a lot of money to lease laptops. It's not my place to say what you should and shouldn't do in/with them. But, if you are using them in a way that distracts me in a class I am also paying for, then I get to whine in my column and get paid for it – while LMAO.

Depression can happen to anyone

By Jennifer Gauthier
Campus Writer

Suicide is the second leading killer of college students. Within the last year, ten percent of college students report having serious thoughts of suicide, seven percent planned to kill themselves, and 1.5 percent had attempted suicide. Gay students are especially susceptible, and are two to three times more likely to attempt suicide than other students.

So what's the cause of these suicide attempts? Ninety percent of adolescent suicide victims have at least one diagnosable, active psychiatric illness at the time of death. Most often, the problems are depression and anxiety disorders. Only 15 percent of suicide victims were in treatment at the time of death.

College is a big change for many students, and is often accompanied by new stresses, including major disappointment, rejection, failure or loss such as breaking up with a girlfriend or boyfriend, failing a big exam or witnessing family turmoil. Because the overwhelming majority of those who commit suicide have a mental or substance-related disorder, they often have difficulty coping with such crippling stressors.

Suicidal intentions are characterized by physical changes like extreme weight loss/gain, trouble sleeping normally, neglect of personal appearance, drug and alcohol abuse, trouble concentrating/performance in school and withdrawal from family and friends. Those considering suicide often have thoughts of worthlessness, alienation, hopelessness, extreme anxiety, loss of interest in once-enjoyable activities and feelings such as sadness, irritability and indifference.

"Seasonal depression happens in the dorms a lot; keeping your blinds up, the door

open and having extra lamps and bright colors in the room can all help," said Jacalyn Schultz, a food systems and technology major.

Problems that most students would be able to deal with in a healthy manner can affect students with depression and anxiety differently; obstacles seem insurmountable, one or two mistakes can make them feel like a failure and moderately serious problems can seem like the end of the world. They are unable to see that their lives can turn around, unable to recognize that suicide is a permanent solution to a temporary problem.

Most victims of suicide not only demonstrate these symptoms, but an estimated 80 percent of suicide victims also talk about their intentions beforehand. Signs of suicidal thoughts and intentions often go unrecognized or tragically, are not taken seriously.

"I had a friend who would cut himself and drink all the time," said Lindsey VanDeWeghe, a major in graphic design. "He tried to commit suicide three times senior year and did see a therapist, but thought it was totally hopeless. He didn't think he was worth anything, it was really sad."

Since people who are contemplating suicide feel so alone and helpless, the most important thing to do if you think a friend or loved one is suicidal is to communicate with him or her openly and frequently. There is no danger of "giving someone the idea." Rather, the opposite is true. Bringing up the question of suicide and discussing it without showing shock or disapproval is one of the most helpful things you can do for a suicidal person. This openness shows that you are taking them seriously, responding to the severity of his or her distress and most importantly showing that

truly care about them.

One of the most common misconceptions about talking with someone who might be contemplating suicide is that bringing up the subject may make things worse. This is not true. Also, never assume that someone who is determined to end his or her life can't be stopped. Even the most severely depressed person has mixed feelings about death, wavering until the very last moment between wanting to live and wanting to die. Most suicidal people don't want to die at all; they just want the pain to stop. The impulse to end it all, though, no matter how overpowering, does not last forever.

If you think that someone you know is considering suicide, besides being a supportive friend and discussing their feel-

ings with them, encourage them to see a physician or mental health professional and offer to accompany them. Often, those who are suicidal are unwilling or unable to seek professional help alone. If it's a crisis situation, don't be afraid to take them to an emergency room or walk-in clinic and don't leave them alone until help is available.

If possible, remove any drugs, alcohol, weapons and sharp objects that could be used in a suicide attempt. Support them in continued mental health care and take an active roll in making sure they are taking any prescribed medication; after an improvement is noticed, some patients will discontinue taking the medication because they feel they don't need it anymore and could become suicidal again.

If you're considering suicide and don't feel that you can talk to anyone, there are a couple different toll-free phone numbers that can provide support and insight, and will be there to help 24 hours a day: these are listed in the chart below. Sometimes all you need is someone understanding to talk to.

Depression Hotlines

The National Hopeline Network:

1-800-suicide
(1-800-784-2433)

The National Suicide Prevention Lifeline:

1-800-273-talk
(1-800-273-8255).

The beginning of Stout

By Katie Triphan
Columnist

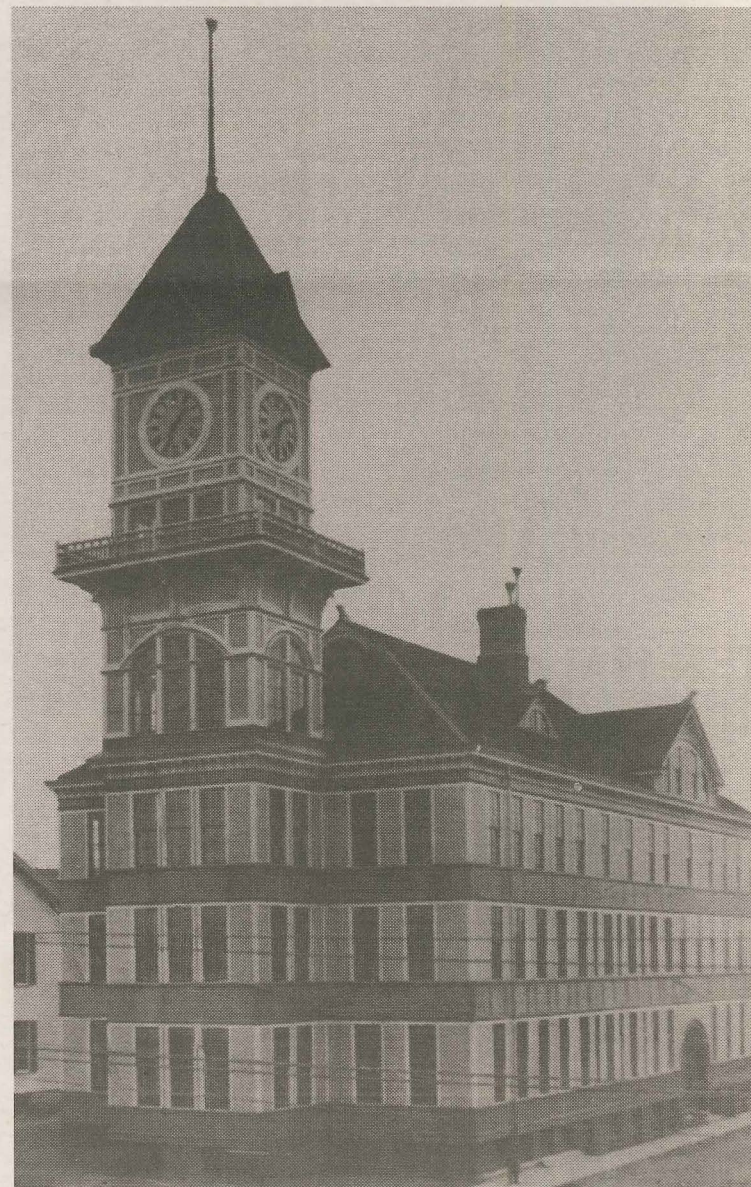
Over the past few weeks I've talked about the significance of many noteworthy people in the University of Wisconsin-Stout's past while skipping over entirely the most important person in Stout's history, obviously this being Stout himself.

Do not think I had not mentioned Mr. Stout thus far on the notion that there isn't much to tell about him or that he wasn't an impressive man; nothing could be further from the truth. Our university is the only university in the Wisconsin system that is named for an individual and not a place and there is a reason for that.

UW-Stout is a school that is different from all the other schools in the UW system because of the foresight, efforts and generosity of Mr. Stout. I had purposely not mentioned Stout up to this point because I was saving it for a full article on our school's founder. Despite my efforts, I will still probably not manage to do him justice, even though I will try to be thorough by making the article two parts, extending it over two weeks.

James Huff Stout, an heir of the Knapp, Stout, & Co. Lumber Company, was born in Dubuque, Iowa on Sept. 25, 1848, to Henry Stout. James' father was a board member of the Knapp, Stout & Co. which was quite possibly the largest lumber company in the United States at the time. At its peak, the mill employed over 2,000 people in Menomonie and the surrounding area.

James Stout went to school in Dubuque, Iowa and then to the University of Chicago. He returned to his home in Iowa in 1868 where he informed his father that he did not want to go on to school and that instead he wanted to work. His father re-



Courtesy of the Stout Historical Society

Stout and Menomonie High School principal R.B. Dudgeon researched manual training schools then built a large training school.

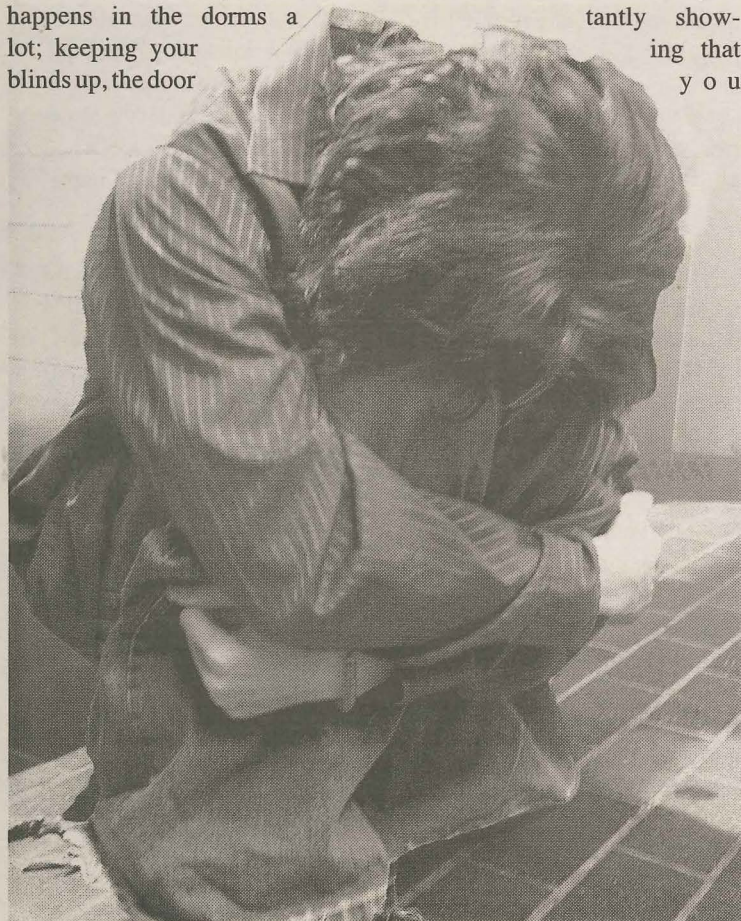
plied, "Then go out in the yards and learn to pile lumber." Over the next ten years, James Stout learned every facet of the lumber business and worked in several positions before being relocated for a time to St. Louis.

It was during his time in Missouri, supervising the company's affairs, that he learned about a new way of training young students known as "manual training." A brand new school implementing this sort of learning, the first ever of its kind, had

just opened in St. Louis. One day, Stout overheard a worker complaining that he didn't have the money to send his three boys to the new school. Stout told him not to worry about it, to send the boys to the school and that he would pay for their education.

Though he was proud that his lumber company provided a living for 4,000 men, Stout worried, "of what avail is it to pay men the money to live on if their life is not worth living?"

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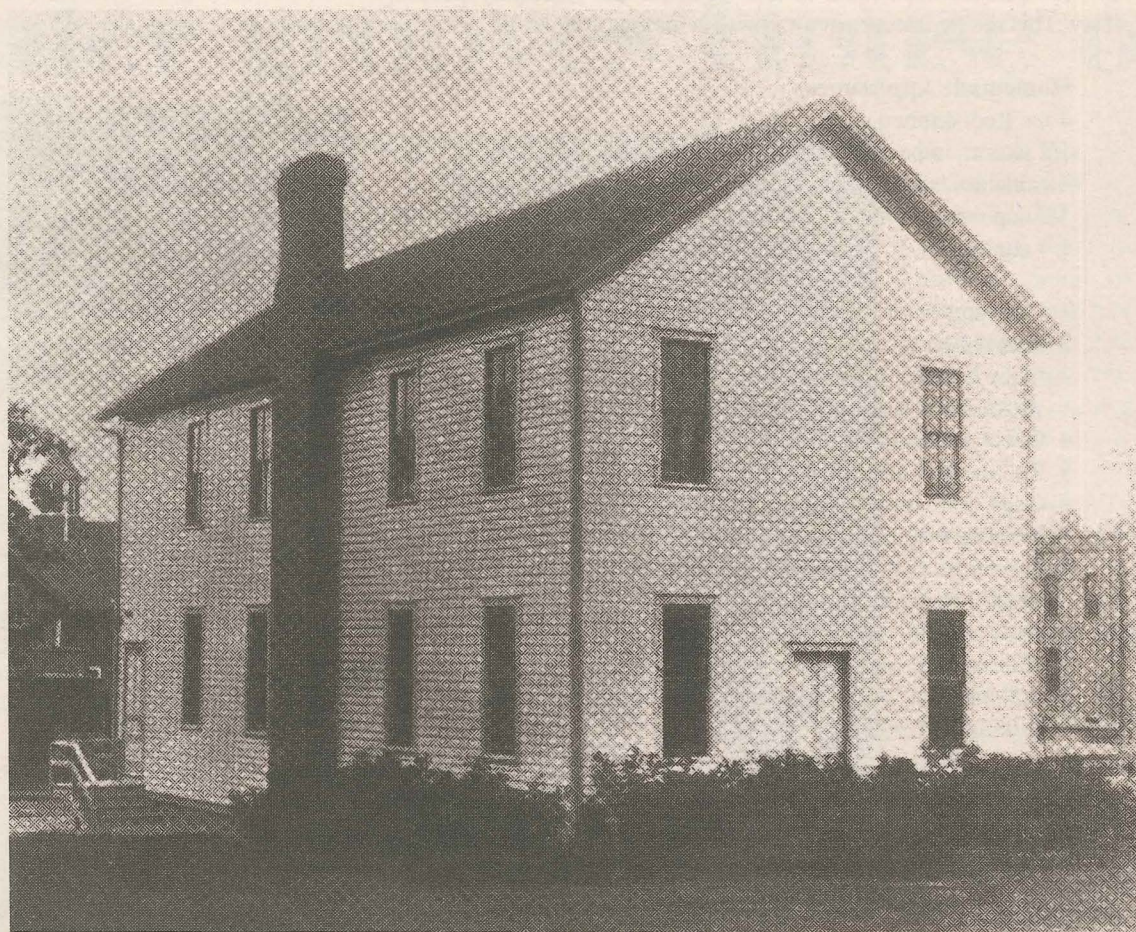
He wanted to change the cycle and ensure that the children of these men had a better chance to succeed. The manual training school would provide them with useful skills that would help them get decent jobs, rather than have them pay a lot of money for additional schooling requiring them to sit through lessons in Latin that they would never be able to use in the work world.

Stout's interest in manual training continued to grow until he moved to Knapp, Stout & Co.'s headquarters in Menomonie in 1889 to assume most of the managerial duties of the corporation. Assessing his surroundings, Stout realized Menomonie was a perfect place to experiment with his educational venture. He proposed to the city's common council to start a program in manual training, for which he himself would pay.

"I will place upon the school grounds, in a place designated by the Board of Education, a building of proper kind and size, furnished with all of the equipment necessary for the instruction of classes of boys and girls in the subjects included in the first year in a course of manual training." In addition, Stout offered to pay for salaries of teachers and school supplies.

It was impossible to turn him down, and soon a two-story Manual Training School, which was to serve as supplemental instruction concurrent with the Menomonie high school, was opened on January 5, 1891.

Stout and the Menomonie High School principal, R. B. Dudgeon, traveled the country touring newly opened manual



Courtesy of the Stout Historical Society

James H. Stout first learned of "manual training" in St. Louis where he worked for his family's company. He erected the first manual training building in Menomonie where students learned practical job skills.

training schools and getting advice. Three instructors from a manual training school in Ohio were recruited to come work in the newly opened school in Menomonie. Within a year the experiment was deemed a success, and Stout was prepared to offer more money to extend the program, building a larger and more adequate school.

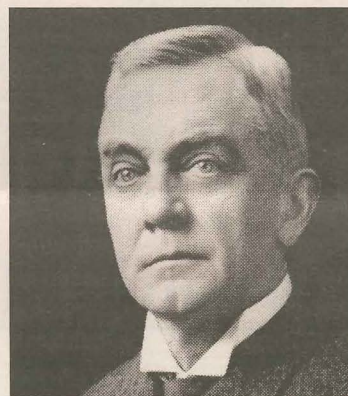
Four short years after the erection of the second building, however, the success of the manual training school was almost daunted when the building was destroyed by fire. Its importance to the community,

however, saved it.

Leading citizens of Menomonie sent a petition to Stout asking that the manual training school be rebuilt. Stout readily complied, with the stipulation that the new school be built adjacent to a brand new Menomonie high school paid for by the Menomonie community.

Stout's determination to continue on with his plans, whatever the cost and despite a major setback, made quite clear that Stout was dedicated to using his wealth for the betterment of less fortunate people.

(To be continued next week)



Stout Historical Society

James Huff Stout

Senator Elections

By Renee Currington
Campus Editor

While University of Wisconsin-Stout has a lot to offer, students also have needs that can be addressed through involvement with student government.

Campus life changes continuously and though most changes are implemented for the better, they can inadvertently have a negative effect on students.

A lot has changed since last year, such as the all-freshmen south campus. So, how is that working out for students living on campus?

Four years ago, UW-Stout implemented the laptop learning program. Are there problems with the laptops? Do upper class students who are not part of the laptop program have equal access to technology resources?

Each year students are paying more for tuition, food and rent. What can you do about it?

Get involved in your student government. As a senator for the Stout Student Association (SSA), you represent the voice of the student body. Not to mention, student government involvement looks great on a resume.

Application packets for senator positions are due on Wednesday, Oct. 12 at 4 p.m.

"Being a member of student government gives me opportunities to be involved in every aspect of my education here at Stout," said SSA Sen. Dan Eaton, who is a general business administration junior.

"I would encourage everyone to be involved one way or another," said Eaton.

Even if you are a very busy student and don't have room in your schedule to be part of the student government, you can vote for the person you believe best represents your interests.

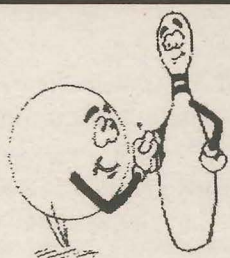
"Being a senator for the SSA has given me a sense of accomplishment and a realization that I am definitely making a difference in my university," said SSA Sen. Sheri Holmberg, a general business administration sophomore.

SSA controls approximately \$400,000 of activity fees, money that the SSA allocates to recognized student organizations and University Recreation.

Remember to vote for your senator on Wednesday, October 19. Students can vote online on e-Scholar from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m.

For more information on the SSA please visit: <http://ssa.uwstout.edu>.

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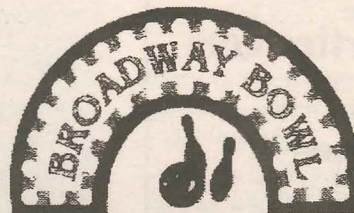
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Nutritious fresh fruits of fall

By Amanda Schroeder
Columnist

With the abundance of summer foods going out of season, soon comes the fall harvest. Including many fruits and vegetables, the fall harvest provides many opportunities for delicious and healthy fresh foods.

The fall harvest includes foods like pumpkins, apples, cranberries, squash, sweet potatoes, rutabaga, carrots and tomatoes. As the season does not end until late November, there is plenty of time to get your hands on some of this delectable produce. The local Menomonie Farmers Market has some of the freshest and cheapest fall foods.

Along with being delicious, fall foods are also very healthful. They are very high in vitamins and minerals like A, C, Bs, E, beta carotene, fiber, potassium and calcium. Apples and cranberries also contain very powerful antioxidants.

Visit Connell's Sunridge Orchard for farm fresh apples near Menomonie. They have many varieties of apples including Honeycrisp, Connell's Reds and Cortlands. These apples are grown with no pesticides and you can pick your own.

Martha Starr, a senior in food systems and technology said, "Pumpkin!" when asked what she thought of when she thinks of fall foods. Her favorite thing to make with pumpkin is pumpkin pie.

There are many ways to enjoy these fall foods besides pumpkin pie. Here are just a few ideas to get you started.

Homemade applesauce is easy to make and is healthy and tasty. This recipe is courtesy of www.recipezaar.com.

Homemade Applesauce

4 lbs Red-skinned apples, about 12
1/2 lemon, unpeeled and sliced
2 cinnamon sticks
1/2 cup water or apple juice
1/4 cup sugar

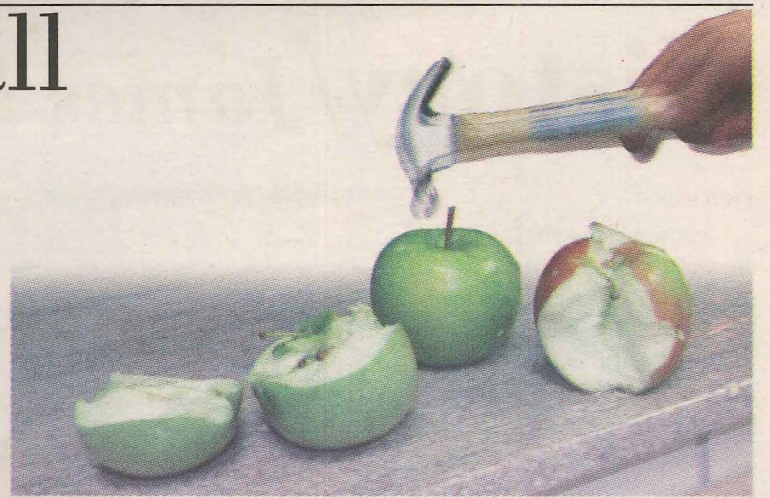
1. Core apples and cut into eighths.
 2. Peel if desired; it's not necessary.
 3. Place in large, heavy pot with the lemon slices, cinnamon sticks and water.
 4. Cover and bring to a boil.
 5. Reduce heat and simmer, stirring often.
 6. Cook until apples are soft, 15 minutes or so.
 7. Remove lemon and cinnamon; stir in sugar.
 8. Put mixture into a blender and blend until smooth, leave chunky or mash with a fork.
 9. Taste and add more sugar if you like.
 10. Store in the refrigerator.
- *Add some red-hots (cinnamon hearts candy) to boost the flavor and the color.

Toasted pumpkin seeds are a great snack and a great way to use up pumpkin seeds after carving your pumpkin. They are also very high in phosphorous, which contributes to bone health.

Toasted Pumpkin Seeds

Raw Pumpkin seeds
1-3 tsp. Vegetable oil
Seasoned Salt

1. Preheat oven to 300 degrees.
2. Rinse pumpkin seeds to remove any pumpkin pulp.
3. Spread on a baking sheet and drizzle with vegetable oil-enough to just coat seeds. Sprinkle with seasoned salt.
4. Bake about 45 minutes, stirring occasionally, or until golden brown.



For a delicious and healthy drink try this pumpkin banana shake. To make your own cooked pumpkin, get a sugar pumpkin, cut it in half and remove all the seeds and strings. Put on a plate and add a little bit of butter in the center. Cover and cook in the microwave until softened, about 10 minutes depending on the size of the pumpkin. Canned pumpkin could be substituted. This recipe is from www.virtual.clemson.edu.

Pumpkin Banana Shake

In a blender, process 1 cup plain yogurt, 1 cup cooked pumpkin, 1 banana, sliced and 2 drops vanilla. Blend until smooth. Serve immediately. Makes 3 servings.

This fresh and spicy salsa will help use up the abundance of fall tomatoes. To make it more or less spicy add more or less peppers. This recipe is courtesy of www.allrecipes.com.

Jen's Fresh and Spicy Salsa

5 roma (plum) tomatoes, seeded and chopped
10 green onions
2 fresh jalapeno peppers, seeded
1/4 cup chopped fresh cilantro
2 tablespoons fresh lime juice
2 tablespoons hot pepper sauce
1 teaspoon garlic powder or 1 clove garlic, minced
Salt and pepper to taste

In a blender or food processor, pulse the tomatoes, green onions, jalapeno peppers and cilantro to desired consistency. Transfer to a bowl, and mix in the lime juice, hot pepper sauce, black pepper, garlic and salt.

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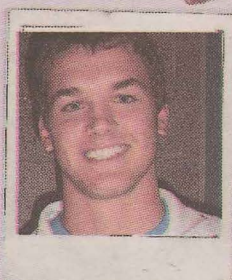
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If you could jump into a pile of anything but leaves, what would it be?



"Cooked spaghetti with sauce, but no meat."

Jasmine Patzner
Early Childhood Education
Sophomore



"KY warming jelly."

Keith Sandrinn
Psychology
Freshman



"Unmarked \$100 bills."

Shamara Simpson
Service Management
Senior



"Jello."

Peter Fassbender
Business w/Construction
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Freshwater grooves House of Rock



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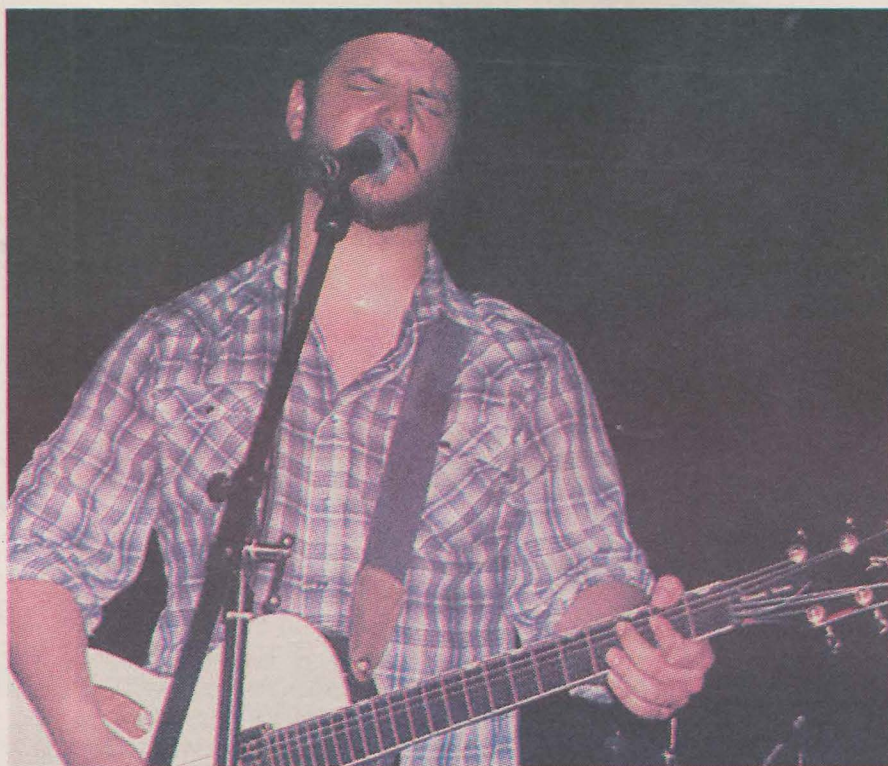
Thursday night, Eau Claire's House of Rock grooved with the fresh and soulful sounds of Milwaukee band Freshwater Collins.

The evening marked a high-energy show and music from of the band's latest album "These Days Lately" which was officially released on Oct. 4.

Freshwater Collins is composed of Chris Vos on vocals/guitar, his brother Brian Vos on the bass, Josh Tovar on guitar and Justin Krol on percussion.

The show spotlighted performances of noteworthy songs off of the album, such as "Housedown," "Fair," "Lost Along The Way," "All My Time," among several other impassioned songs.

One of the highlights of the evening was when C. Vos broke out a lap steel slide guitar to drive home a rare night of inimitable music on the Eau Claire



Freshwater Collins' Chris Vos belts out tunes from the band's latest album, "These Days Lately," during their performance at Eau Claire's House of Rock.

music scene. Krol notes that "Fair" is his favorite cut off of the new album.

"I can't believe that we cut it," said Krol. "It's a very country sound and its sound is definitely from all of us. It's the song that I'm the most proud about and is a big accomplishment in songwriting."

C. Vos is much less selective regarding his favorite song to play.

"This sounds cheesy, but anytime I am playing I am enjoying myself so I guess it would be whatever song I am playing at the time," said Vos.

The band initially formed

in the late 90s, released its first record in 1997 with an almost entirely different group of musicians and has evolved over the years into the unique sounding group that it is today.

"Stylistically things have changed over the years, the only original members are Chris and Brian," said Krol.

Two years ago, following the departure of the band's second drummer, Krol came on as the new face on percussion; right around the same time Tovar joined the crew.

Although the band has been playing with the current lineup for the past two years, each of its members brings a wealth of talent and experience to the stage.

The Vos brothers have been playing music together since they were kids, while Krol began playing the drums by the

age eight or nine. Tovar was also born into a musical family and has been playing the guitar since he was nine.

"My whole family is musical, we have always had music around us our whole lives as a family, so it was a natural desire to want to play it for me," said C. Vos.

Freshwater Collins cites a vast array of musical influences that have impacted the kind of music that they produce; they range from The Flaming Lips to bluesy riffs of Muddy Waters.

The result is a unique sound that can't be pigeon holed into any specific genre.

While it is refreshing for the fans of Freshwater to listen to music that is one of a kind and not a carbon copy of what is being played on the radio and in many clubs in this day and age, the lack of a genre has proven to be an obstacle for the band.

Although C. Vos writes most of the band's lyrics, the band collaborates on the arrangements and each of the members brings their unique style of play to the table.

Freshwater Collins will be playing at the Vibe in La Crosse on Oct. 27 at 10 p.m.

The good ol' Mabel T

A history of the Mabel Tainter theater



Natalie Rathmann
Entertainment Writer

In 1889, Andrew and Bertha Tainter decided to construct a building of importance and permanence.

It was through the encouragement of Reverend Maxson that they decided to dedicate this building to their deceased daughter, Mabel. Mabel Tainter may have only lived to be 19 years old, but as a result her name will forever be remembered in Menomonie.

Andrew Tainter moved to Wisconsin from Syracuse, New York, and started his own logging business on Poskin Lake. Due to the high demand of lumber in the 1880s, Tainter's logging camp thrived and he became wealthy.

The business came to be called the Knapp Stout & Company, and became famous as the largest white pine lumber company in the world.

The Mabel Tainter Memorial was designed by an architectural firm in Minneapolis.

The sandstone for the ex-

terior of the building was taken just ten miles down the road in Downsville and the bricks were from Menomonie's very own Brick Company. Each stone was hand cut and laid by skilled stonemasons. The assembly cost of the building was approximately \$105,000.

The interior of the building is quite luxurious. As you step into the auditorium, there is a sense of stepping into another world.

The room was painted gold from floor to ceiling and was decorated with hand stenciling and hand-carved white pine.

The original carpet was imported from India and made of silk and mohair, inspiring a very exquisite setting.

The carpet, which was then replaced, is wool and cut exactly like the original. The Tiffany stained glass windows were brought from Chicago.

The smaller space permits audience members to feel intimate with the performers. The smaller setting allows the sound of the dancer's ballet shoes to be heard by audience members.

There are no amplifiers in the theater because the room's natural acoustics are enough to spread the sound.

The theater season at the Mabel Tainter runs from September through May.

Five By Design hits Stout



www.singers.com

The 21 singers, actors and instrumentalists that make up the group Five By Design will be performing their hugely successful "Radio Days" this Friday at the Great Hall, courtesy of Mabel Tainter and BDP.

Natalie Rathmann
Entertainment Writer

The upcoming show for Friday, Oct. 7, "Radio Days," performed by Five By Design, will be in the Great Hall at UW-Stout.

The group of 21 singers, actors and instrumentalists of Five By Design will take you back in time to the 1930s and 40s, with segments from the likes of Glenn Miller and Tommy Dorsey. Tickets are available through

the Mabel Tainter Box Office at (715) 235-0001 and are \$16 for seniors/students and \$14 for children under 12.

On Saturday, Oct. 8, the American National Ballet will be performing at the Mabel Tainter Theater.

This is an excellent opportunity to view a unique performance consisting of dancers from throughout the United States. A 2:00 p.m. matinee is offered, which is geared toward

children, but is welcome to anyone who is interested to learn more about the life of a dancer.

After the matinee, children will be allowed to talk with the dancers. The evening performance will be debuting 18 new works of modern dance.

Experience the intimacy of the Mabel Tainter and view the unique flair of modern dance. Tickets are \$18 for Adults and \$16 for Students/Seniors and \$10 for Children under 12.

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>The Space Rangers, The Mousetrap, 10 p.m., Free.
>Chris Koza, Acoustic Cafe, 8 p.m., Free.

Friday, Oct. 07

>Hyder Ali + The Blend + DJ Bad Ghost, House of Rock, 10 p.m., \$3.
>Lazy Ike + The Daredevils, Klassix, 7:30 p.m., Free.
>Five By Design "Radio Days", Great Hall, 8 p.m., \$24 adults, \$18 children.

Saturday, Oct. 08

>American National Ballet, Mabel Tainter Theater, 2 p.m. + 8 p.m., \$6 Matinee, \$21 adults, \$18 students performance.
>Joyride, Pioneer Grill and Saloon, 9 p.m., Free.
>The Woods, The Mousetrap, 10 p.m., Free.
>Cornmeal + III Groove Movement, Stones Throw, 10 p.m., \$4.

Sunday, Oct. 09

>David Mallett, Chippewa Valley Museum, 2 p.m., \$8/\$10.

Monday, Oct. 10

>Conrad Johns + The New River City Jazz Band, Stones Throw, 6-8 p.m., Free.
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Tuesday, Oct. 11

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>Matt Wahl, Barely Club, 6-9 p.m., Free.

Thursday, Oct. 13

>Johnny Station Band, The Den, 9:30 p.m., \$3.
>Ike Reilly Assassination + The Hopefuls, Huffs, 8 p.m., Free.
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Silverstein once again breaks mold



Andrew Ridgeway
Entertainment Writer

With a combination of powerful yet melodic guitar riffs, catchy lyrics, emotional hardcore screaming and tricky time changes, run-of-the-mill screamo or post-hardcore bands have plagued the indie music scene lately.

Silverstein's newest release, "Discovering the Waterfront," certainly lives up to the generic molds of screamo and post-hardcore, but it quickly distinguishes itself, exploding with a new ferocious screamo sound that is all their own.

When I first purchased "Discovering the Waterfront," I thought it impossible that this CD would live up to Silverstein's previous release, "When Broken is Easily Fixed," which itself expanded the boundaries of the screamo genre.

But as the first song, "Your Sword Versus My Dagger," began to play I knew that Silverstein had created something new,



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Silverstein's newest release, "Discovering the Waterfront," breaks the molds of conventional screamo and takes the genre to a new level.

full of energy and emotion, that would live up to anything that they had created before.

As I continued listening to the CD, I was impressed even more by the dynamics of each song.

The first single off the CD, "Smile in Your Sleep," tells the story of man in a relationship that is causing him to question the fidelity of his lover.

The song starts with a technical and catchy riff. As you glimpse into the emotional tale-

spin of the man's thoughts, the song becomes progressively harder, finishing with an intense post-hardcore breakdown.

"Smile in Your Sleep" is also the first music video off "Discovering the Waterfront."

The plot of the music video is based on the popular board game, "Clue," with each band member dressed as a character from the game.

The title track of the album is a favorite of many listeners. It

is one of the slower songs on the CD and has no screaming lyrics.

The tone of the song is developed in the first few stanzas and is embodied in the lyrics, "I've hung up my guns, I won't kill again."

The song is about giving up on a relationship and all the pain that comes with it. It is a very catchy song that anyone who has been in a relationship can relate to.

Sometimes when a band releases an album after a previous substantially successful album, they more often than not try to go mainstream and lose some of their intensity in that process.

Most music lovers call that loss of intensity "selling out." And that is something that Silverstein definitely did not do with this release.

Silverstein's sound did change, but instead of selling out, they matured into a more dynamic, talented and experienced band.

Successfully breaking the molds of conventional screamo and taking the genre to a whole new level, this album is a great buy for anyone who appreciates a dynamic blend of emo lyrics, powerful riffs and intense post-hardcore breakdowns. Overall, Silverstein's "Discovering the Waterfront" gets 5 out of 5 stars.

Making the most of an open mic



Mike Ryan
Entertainment Writer

Entering the Acoustic Cafe carrying a guitar and wearing a blank—if not somber—expression, freshman Bobby Stark of Appleton, Wisconsin, nervously ventured into Open Mic night.

He had never played before a live crowd before. I watched him buy a cup of coffee, glancing up occasionally, probably hoping that other performers wouldn't play songs on his set list.

Fortunately for people like Bobby, the Blue Devil Production's Open Mic Nights provide the ideal setting for musicians looking to get experience playing in front of people.

The quality of performers last Thursday exceeded my expectations.

Consisting of both soloists and small ensembles, the variety of performances kept the crowd interested as the night wore on.

From my perch by the door I watched as musicians of all backgrounds took the stage.

Some were nervous while some had clearly been on-stage before. Despite the different preshow mentalities, the end product was mostly solid.

A large portion of the singers chose to play covers.

Although the covers were entertaining, I give immense credit to the acts performing original songs.

It's hard enough taking the stage as an unknown, unbilled performer, but it takes even more guts to play unknown, unbilled songs and still manage to keep the crowd into the show.

One performer played a set of originals that merited a billed show at the Acoustic.

He also interacted well with the crowd, actually dedicating a song to a dorm neighbor who was present.

Perhaps his anonymity as a performer is fitting given the

nature of the show. I certainly look forward to his next open mic performance.

With innovative chord progressions and crystal clear vocals, his set impressed me.

Things gradually wound down and, as the final acts finished off their sets, I found myself thoroughly sick of Jack Johnson.

Still, I am very eager for the next Open Mic night.

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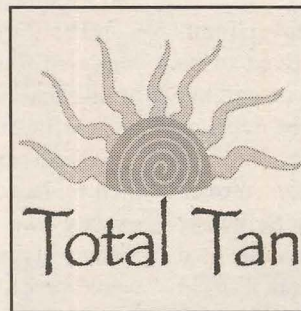
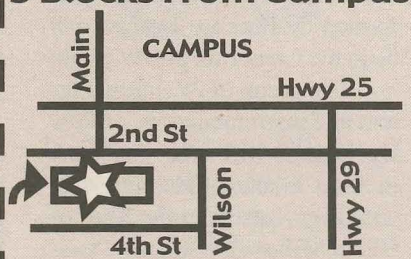
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Sci-Fi gets redeemed in "Serenity"



Jarrod Burns and William Butchee

Entertainment Writers

FOX's short-lived TV series "Firefly" was, to fans' delight, adapted to the big screen in "Serenity." Written and directed by Joss Whedon (of "Buffy the Vampire Slayer" fame), "Serenity" continues the story of the crew of the spaceship named Serenity. The mismatched but close-knit crew does odd jobs while staying out of the way of the galactic government. The film centers on the threat a newly hired government assassin poses to the crew of the spaceship, Serenity.

JB: Being a fan of "Firefly," I was looking forward to seeing this longer and larger budget episode produced for the box office. "Serenity" exceeded my expectations in every possible way. It was true to the TV show and still made the scale of the project worthy of the big screen—so much so that I saw the film twice.

WB: I also was a fan of the series before FOX cancelled it. I was quite surprised that the mind behind "Buffy" could create "Firefly" and the movie that it's become.

"Serenity" kept the perfect blend of humor, action, drama and western-themed storytelling that made the TV series great.

JB: Though "Serenity" will inevitably be labeled as science

fiction, it could be just as easily be called a western.

The characters are reminiscent of a band of anti-heroic outlaws; they may be involved with illegal work but they still choose their jobs carefully and according to their conscience. This puts them between the law and the truly bad guys, which makes for some interesting situations. Throughout all of this, the characters are likable and well acted by a cast of relative unknowns.

WB: The unknown cast makes the characters seem that much more real. Also, though the characters may serve a certain formula, they aren't clichéd or generic.

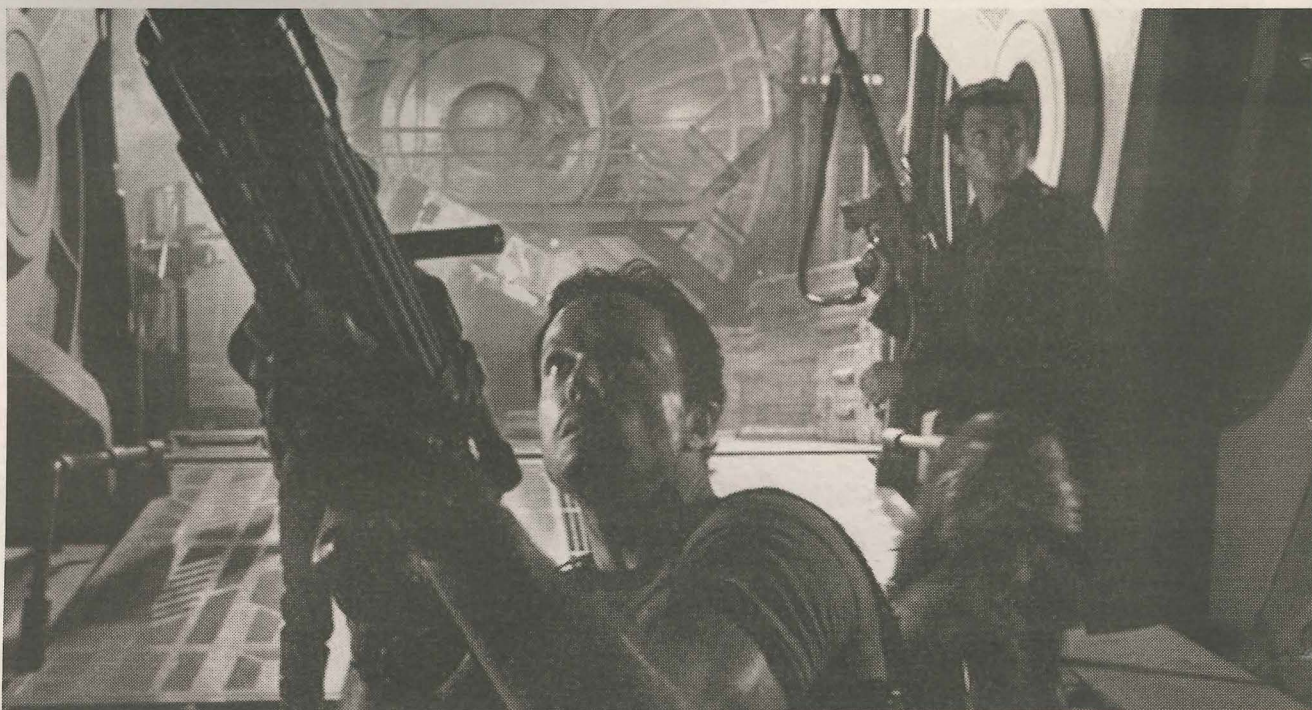
Everyone who sees the film will have a favorite character, but each character is likeable enough to become attached to.

JB: The realism of the characters is enhanced by the universe that Joss Whedon has created for them.

The dialogue isn't saturated by boring politics or spaceship technicalities as in much science fiction; it's just enough to further the story and remind the audience that the story does take place in the future.

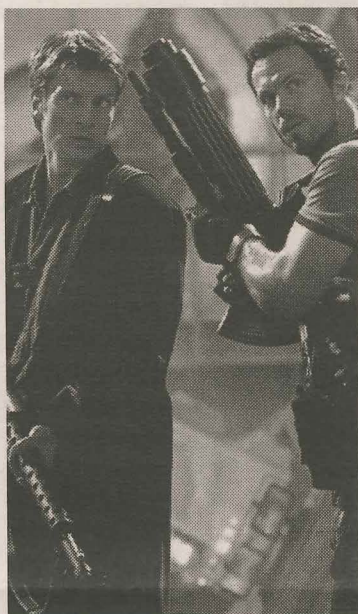
WB: The depth of the story doesn't draw away from that core plot, though.

The main focus of "Serenity" is the characters that live and



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Above and left: The charming antiheroes of "Serenity" are pretty good at wielding weapons when not trading clever dialogue. The film kept a perfect blend of humor, action and drama.



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work on the ship. Each character adds their own brand of humor, making the situational comedy one of the major enjoyment factors of "Serenity."

Every joke is somehow writ-

ten in a way that makes it sound original even though you know it has been done before.

JB: The plot of the film has no problem stepping up from the everyday activities that would be depicted in an episode of the TV show, to a grandiose conspiracy story that was only hinted at in the series.

WB: The special effects in "Serenity" stay true to style present in "Firefly" but are taken to a greater scale.

JB: Along with the cinematography and special effects, the music present in the film is excellent and echoes the western theme that dominates the film.

The plucky guitar is a welcome change from orchestral music that dominates "Star Wars" and "Star Trek." Overall, the film revamped the dying science fiction

genre of film, not only for fanboys (and girls) of the show, but also for anyone this movie will be impressive.

WB: Most of my excitement and appreciation for this movie was due to the fact that I am a fan of the TV show.

I saw the film with two people who had never seen "Firefly," and they both said that "Serenity" earned "four out of five stars." This review space is too short for all the praise this movie deserves, so stop reading this and go see it for yourself.

WHAT'S IT WORTH?

JB: Worth multiple theatrical viewings.
WB: Worth both the trip and the ticket.

My broken television arrests my development



Matt Schubbe

Entertainment Writer

I had a minor problem with writing this week's article. Well, for other people it might be minor, but for me it was kind of a big deal.

Most people can probably deduce from my cluttered ramblings that I am very into my television—so much so that without it, I am but a hollow shell of a man. That's a bit sad really, but back to my story. My problem. This weekend my stupid TV broke.

I had a reasonably aged TV in my room, one old enough to still have a built-in VHS player. If right now you're wondering what a VHS is, you can stop reading. The rest of this article is a moot point to you.

To make a long story short,

I tried to force a tape my friend brought over into the VHS player. A few grinding and snapping sounds later, lo and behold, my TV wouldn't turn on for more than about five or ten seconds.

I was aghast. I didn't know what to do. Oh cruel fates!

When I got ahold of myself I went out and bought a new TV. Crisis averted. Phew!

Fortunately for me, I got my new TV in time to watch FOX's mostly wonderful Sunday night lineup. I say "mostly" because I think FOX really made a big mistake in moving "Arrested Development" to Monday nights.

Sunday is an important night for television and "Arrested Development" is probably one of the smartest

and funniest network shows currently on the air.

So what did FOX put in the vacated time slot?

Something called "The War At Home," a sitcom that tries to push the envelope by being "edgy" and "off-color,"

but is rarely anything more than crass and unfunny.

The show seems to follow in the footsteps of "All in the Family," with an outspoken and misinformed patriarch coming into conflict with his more liberal children.

Where this show fails is where "All in the Family" really shined; in exploring relevant social issues through the eyes of an intolerant know-it-all who occasionally did the right thing, i.e. Archie Bunker.

In "The War At Home," the family patriarch, played by Michael Rapaport of "Boston Public" fame, has the first part right, but when it comes to doing the right thing we never really get to see any kind of redemption.

It's too bad, because Rapaport was very effective as the bad-tempered teacher who spoke his mind on "Boston Public." His talents are wasted here in furrowing his brow and acting like he'll never understand his kids. My advice is skip this one and watch "All in the Family" reruns or, better yet, watch "Arrested Development" on Mondays so we can keep a great show on the air.



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FOX's new series, "The War At Home," wants to follow in the footsteps of "All in the Family," but lacks the charm and depth to succeed. Time to bring back "Arrested Development."

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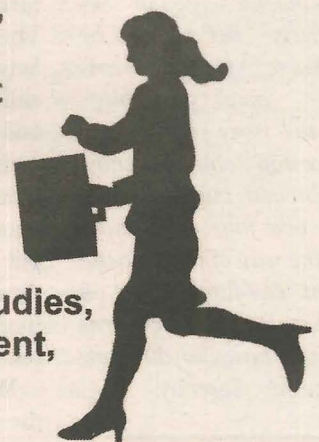
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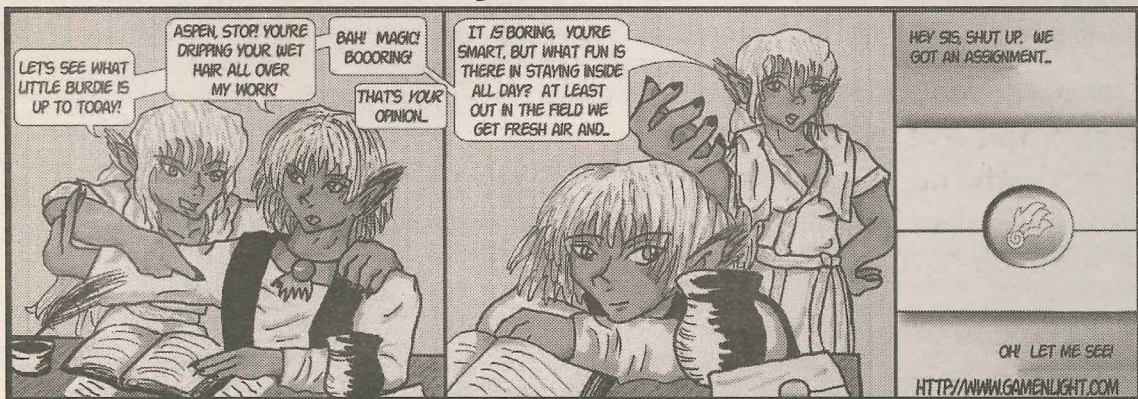
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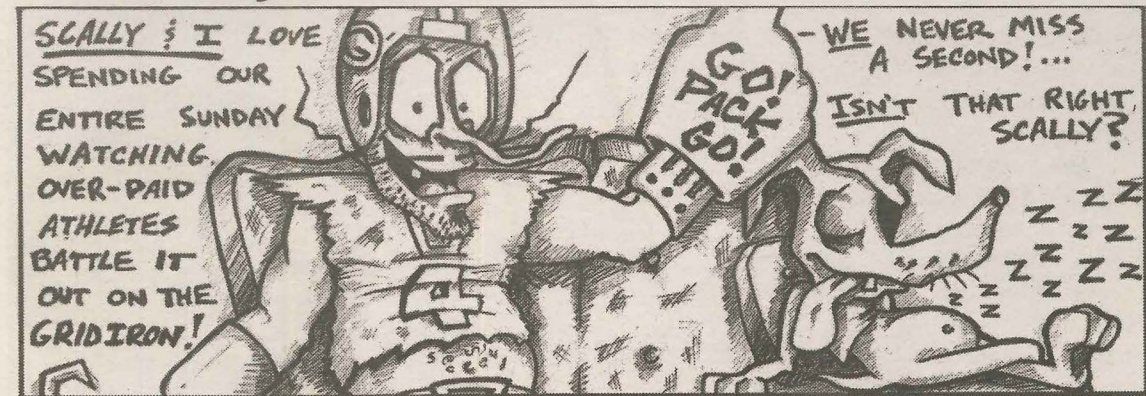
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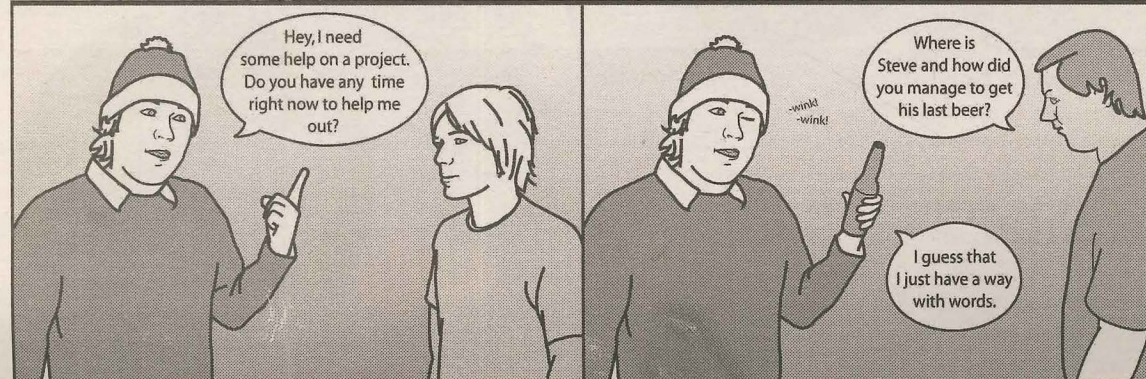
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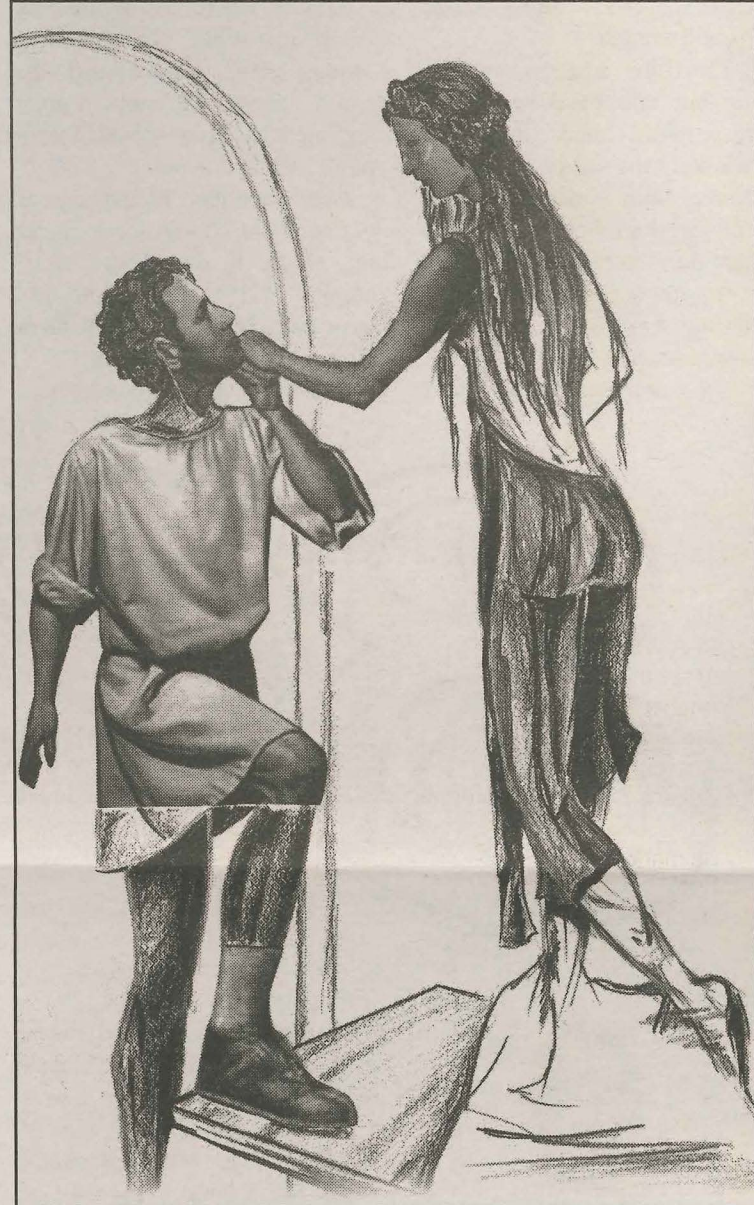
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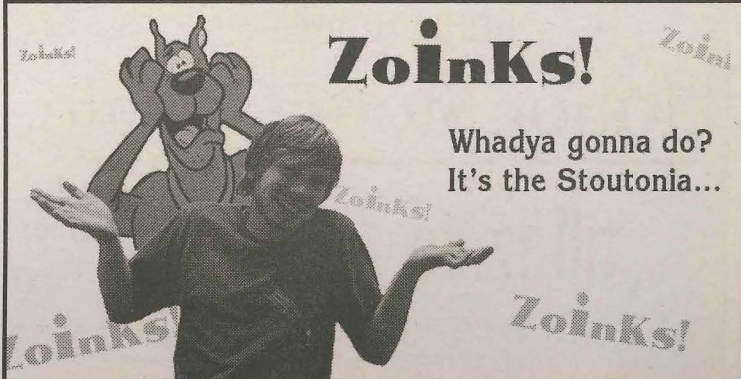
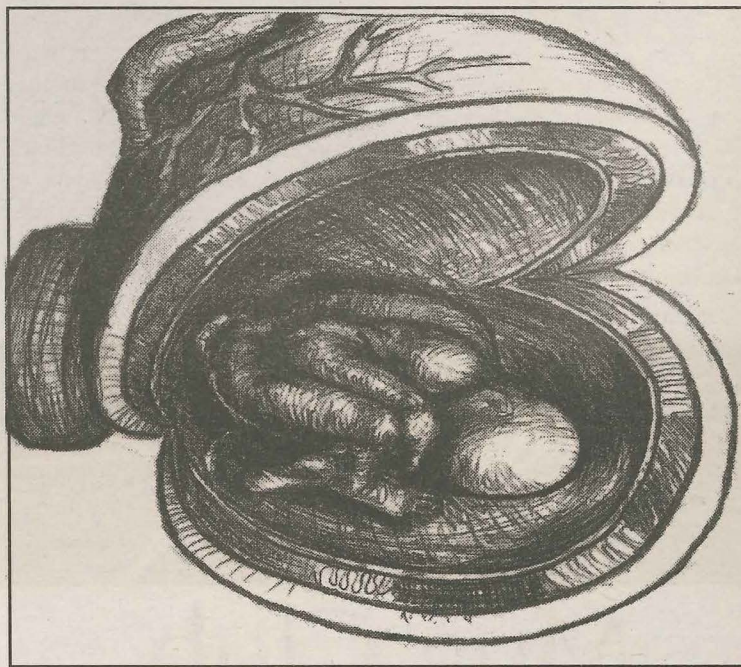
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The MLB's hunt for October

By Bryan Horwath
Sports Writer

Quick, now that the Boston Red Sox have finally won a World Series, what is the most cursed franchise in Major League Baseball?

If you answered Chicago, you're right. If you answered only the Cubs, listen to this: the last time the Cubs won a World Series was 1908, while the last time the White Sox won a series was 1917. Think Chicago is cursed much?

The Cubs' troubles winning the big one have been well documented and they are definitely the sexier of the two teams among baseball fans. The fact does remain, however, that the White Sox have not even won a post-season series of any kind since their last championship.

The Cubs reached the World

Series only to lose in 1918, '29, '32, '35, '38 and '45. The Cubbies also blew 3-to-1 series leads in both the 1984 and 2003 National League Championship Series. Even most casual baseball fans might remember the Steve Bartman incident in '03.

But while the Cubs have broken more hearts in the past 90 years or so, it should be noted that to have such heartbreaking losses, they at least have to get there.

This is where the White Sox come in. While the talk was always about Boston and the Cubs, the Sox can make a great argument as the most cursed team of all time at this point.

Ever since the Cincinnati Reds defeated the Southsiders under the cloud of the "Black Sox" scandal in 1919, the White Sox have participated in--count them with me--one World Series.

That's 85 consecutive

baseball seasons with just one appearance in the Fall Classic. This is absolutely a remarkable statistic. The last team to make it was the Go-Go Sox club of 1959 which lost to the Los Angeles Dodgers.

The Sox did win division titles as recently as 1993 and 2000 but failed each time to reach even the league championship series, and in the three seasons previous to this current one, Chicago finished in second place in the AL Central to the Minnesota Twins.

Why does all this matter now? Because this might be the year that Chicago could actually break through and get a piano the size of Lake Michigan off its back. The White Sox finished with the best record in the American League in 2005, with a record of 99-63, and opened their division series

with Boston with a resounding 14-2 victory.

The Sox have the arms, the bats and the defense to reach the World Series and give themselves a chance to make history. How would that make Cubs fans feel? To answer my own question, it would probably make them want to jump off a bridge.

To put the White Sox draught in perspective, the New York Yankees have been to 38 World Series since 1917 and won 26 of them. Not to mention the fact that the relatively new Minnesota Twins and brand-new (in baseball years) Florida Marlins, have won two World Series each.

In fact, here's a statistic that is sure to put Chicago's Southsiders squarely in first place on the cursed list: the Milwaukee Brewers have

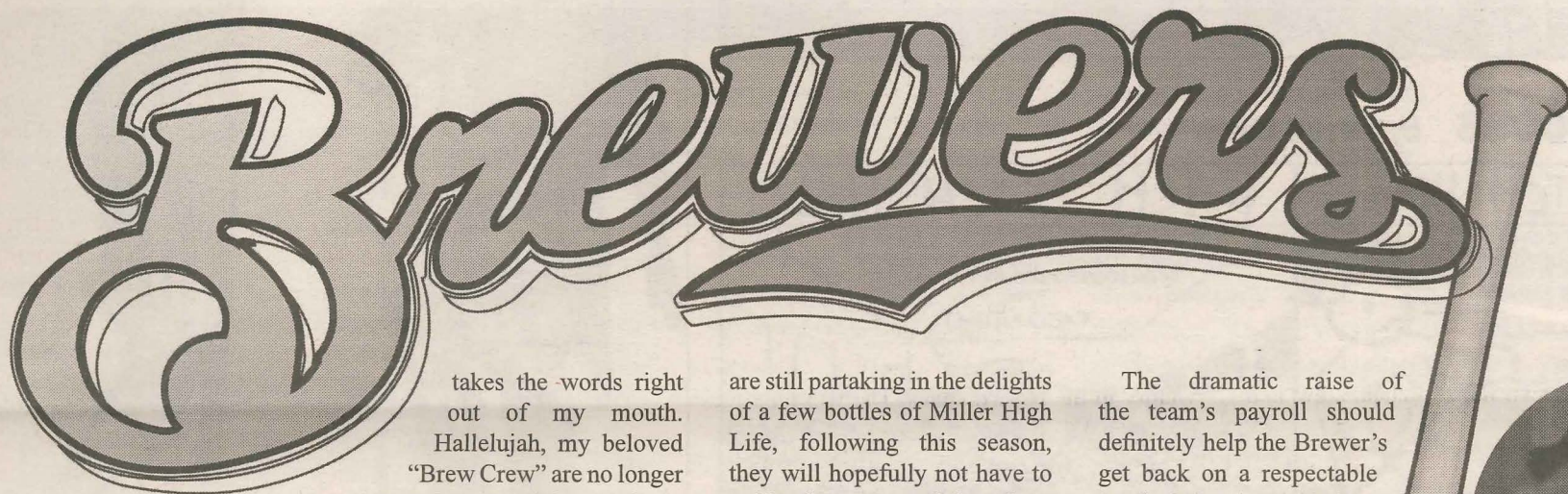
been to the same number of Fall Classics since 1917. Wow, now that's futility!

The fact that the White Sox have a chance to break through is one of the reasons that baseball's 2005 postseason looks to be very entertaining. In Chicago, field-level tickets for the series against Boston were going for as much as \$400.

Just think what those tickets will be worth if Chicago is still playing in a couple of weeks. If you're a White Sox fan, though, you might not want to count your chickens...well, you're a Sox fan so you know what I mean.

After all, when you haven't seen a championship trophy in your clubhouse in 88 years -- or a World Series since the fifties -- you know how precious a year like this can potentially be.

Here's hoping that the White Sox join the other Sox and break the curse.



takes the words right out of my mouth. Hallelujah, my beloved "Brew Crew" are no longer losers. It nearly brings a single tear to my eye.

Having been born and raised in Milwaukee, from the moment I came out the womb, I was a Brewers fan. I was even a proud member of the Brewer's Pepsi Fan Club. In the city of Milwaukee, the citizens live and breathe the Bucks, Brewers and beer. In past years, the way that the Bucks and the Brewers have played, it went exactly in that order. The teams would suffer devastating losses, and the masses of crushed fans would partake in the best Wisconsin sport of all: beer drinking.

While I'm sure Brewer's fans

are still partaking in the delights of a few bottles of Miller High Life, following this season, they will hopefully not have to suffer the taunts of fans from our bordering states that have seen a non-losing season more recently than 12 years ago.

That's right, the last time that the Brewer's had a non-losing season was when my childhood heroes Robin Yount and Paul Molitor ruled the glorious fields of the Milwaukee County Stadium. The uncomfortable silver bleachers of County Stadium are where I spent many summer nights during my childhood, with my grandpa and my dad. When I was not at the game, I would be sitting in the patio at my grandparent's house, enjoying the summer breeze as my Grandpa Wick and I listened to Bob Uecker's enthusiastic commentary of the Brewers.

This season, the team finished 81-81, and missed out on a winning season having dropped two games to Pittsburgh.

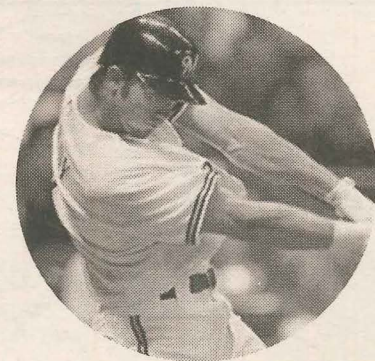
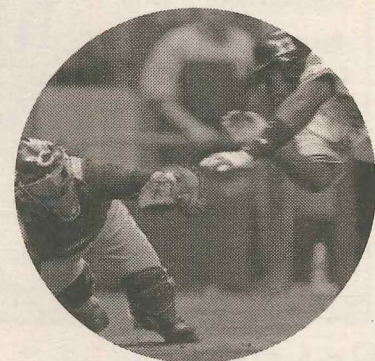
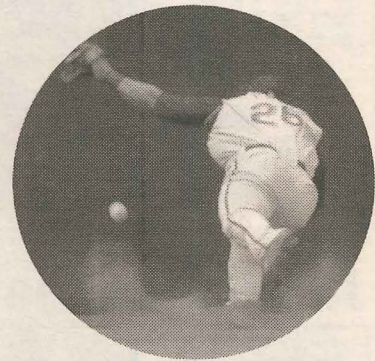
Recently, the Brewer's new owner, Mark Attanasio, has fired things up in order to reach his three-year plan of bringing the Brewer's back to a status that is not the subject of taunts and ridicule. A short time ago, Attanasio went as far as to say that his expectations, and the expectations of the city of Milwaukee, have been raised as a result of the Brewer's accomplishments during this season.

The dramatic raise of the team's payroll should definitely help the Brewer's get back on a respectable level of play. Attanasio has raised the team's payroll from a major league low \$27.5 million in 2004 to around \$40 million in 2005, and plans to increase it further next season.

Hopefully, this dramatic increase in funds will allow the Brewer's to bring in high quality players for seasons to come. Who knows, maybe a few seasons down the road, the Brewer's

will return to the level of glory that I idolized as a kid.

Hey, I know this is a scary thought and I may be forever shamed for uttering these words, but with the way that the Packers have been playing, maybe they should take a pointer or two from the Brewers.



Rachel Wick
Sports Editor

"Pop the champagne, raise your beer mugs. Gather the ticker tape. The Milwaukee Brewers are no longer losers." A statement made by Arnie Stapelton on the Major League Baseball website, practically



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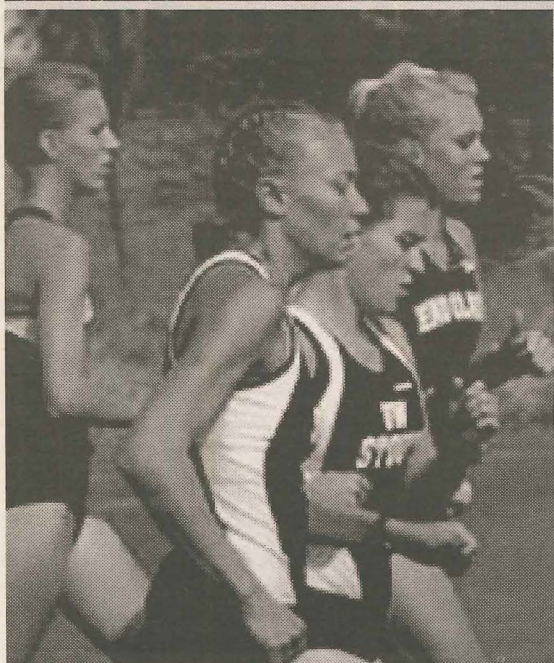
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Sports Briefs



Contributed by Layne Pitt/Stoutonia

The Blue Devil women's cross country team cruised to a first place finish at Saturday's Beloit Old English Style Invitational. Next the team travels to UW-Superior.

Lowery Inducted Into Hall of Fame

Dick Lowery, a man who has played a key role in Blue Devil athletics, will receive the Athletic Distinguished Service Award at the annual Hall of Fame induction ceremony on Saturday, Nov. 5. Lowery, a former University of Wisconsin-Stout employee for 34 years, including 29 years as the associate director of undergraduate admissions, has been the official score keeper for Blue Devil basketball for the past 10 years, and has been the commentator for the UW-Stout soccer team for the last three seasons.

In addition, Lowery has spent several terms as a member of the UW-Stout Athletic Hall of Fame. He has worked in various elements on the sidelines as part of the Blue Devil football chain crew, and has provided statistics and commentary for both the UW-Stout football and basketball teams.

The Hall of Fame Induction ceremony begins at 9:30 a.m. in the Memorial Student Center's Grandview Terrace. Registration begins at 8 a.m. and the tickets cost \$13. In order to obtain more information call (715) 232-2224.

Cross Country

The University of Wisconsin-Stout's Krista Jahmiak finished in third place with a time of 20 minutes, six seconds to pace the women's cross country team to a first place finish at Saturday's Beloit Old English Style Invitational. UW-Stout's Bridgette Crozier finished on Jahmiak's heels, finishing in fourth place (20:08). Other key contributors for the Blue Devils include sophomore Abbey Ring who took tenth place (20:37); Steph Nichols, eleventh place (20:41); Katee Rosburg, fourteenth place (20:53) and Michelle Lewis, fifteenth place (20:59). The team will return to action on Saturday, Oct. 15, when they compete in the University of Wisconsin-Superior Invitational.

UW-Stout's Nate Haeny earned a first place finish with a time of 26 minutes, 26 seconds, as the men's cross country team took third place at the Beloit Old English Style Invitational. Blue Devil John Maresh took fifteenth (27:52), as David Schonscheck earned nineteenth place coming in at 27 minutes, 57 seconds.

Blue Devil Tennis Serves Up A Win

The rainy conditions didn't prevent the University of Wisconsin-Stout women's tennis team from taking on Hamline University on Wednesday Oct. 5 and walking away with the victory.

The Blue Devils' Jodi Czech earned her fifth singles win of the season as the team finished with a 7-2 win over Hamline University.

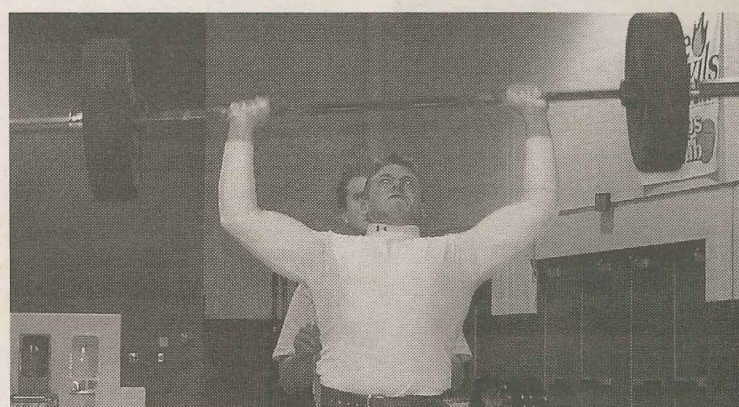
UW-Stout's Jenna Bettmann, Michelle Hohl and Katie Brott each contributed wins at the No. 2 singles, No. 4 singles and No. 6 singles respectively, to pave the way for the Blue Devils.

UW-Stout's Czech and Bettman currently share the team's singles victory lead.

Bettmann and Hayek also finished with an 8-3 victory in the No. 1 doubles. The win improves the duo's doubles record to 4-4.

The Blue Devils are currently 2-5 overall and 0-4 in the Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Conference. Next, the team travels to the University of Wisconsin-Oshkosh Friday Oct. 7, and will then move on to Marian College and Ripon College Saturday Oct. 8.

Strongman/ fourth annual



Contributed by Kristine Patterson

UW-Stout hosts the 4th Annual Strongman competition Oct. 27. The challenge features a variety of events including the farmer's walk that is featured here. Participants will compete in five challenges.

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down the field to the finish line. The person who finishes with the best time takes the win.

Next up is the farmer's walk, an event where the contestant has two dumb bells weighing 120 pounds each, one in each hand. The farmer's walk requires the person to walk 80 yards down the field to the finish line. Once again, whoever earns the best time wins that event.

Each player will have time in between events to rest and try to regain his or her strength. The third event is the medicine ball throw. This event requires the contender to throw a 12 pound ball as far as he or she can. The participant can throw it in any manner that they want, whether they softball throw it, shot put it or disc throw it. The best of three throws counts.

The fourth event is the military bench press. This is where the person has two minutes to do as

many presses as he or she can. During this event, the participant lifts a weighted bar above his or her head.

The final event is the iron grip hold where the individual must hold a 45 pound weight straight while up against a wall. They must keep it straight in front of them for as long as they can.

"Out of all the strongman competitions, no one has gone over a minute in the iron grip event," said Patterson.

"Some of these events require a lot of upper body strength, lower body strength and sometimes both," said Holmgren.

What's cool about this competition is that all of these events are scored individually, so if you don't do well in one event, you can pick up those points in another event.

For anyone who thinks that they could be a Strongman contender, prove it on Oct. 27, in HPR at 7 p.m.

STOUTONIA'S Athlete OF THE Week

The University of Wisconsin-Stout's Krista Jahmiak paced the Blue Devil women's cross country team to a first place team finish at Saturday's Beloit Old English Invitational.

Jahmiak, a sophomore psychology major, finished the race in 20 minutes, 6 seconds just a few seconds behind the first place finisher.

During the 2003 season Jahmiak took 19th at the conference meet, coming up just short of all-conference honors. She finished with a time of 23 minutes, 7 seconds.

The Blue Devil cross country team will travel to the University of Wisconsin-Superior Invitational on Saturday Oct. 5.

The Facts:

Sophomore
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Jahmiak took third place at Saturday's Beloit Old English Invitational to pace the Blue Devils to a first place finish.



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BLUE DEVIL SCOREBOARD

FOOTBALL (4-0) 44-3 FINAL

The football team tacked on another win Saturday as the Blue Devils trounced Waldorf College 44-3 to improve to 4-0. Next Up: The team will travel to UW-Oshkosh on Saturday.



CROSS COUNTRY

Beloit College Meet
Men: 3rd Women: 1st
Next Meet:
The UW-Superior Invitational
on Saturday Oct. 15



TENNIS (3-5) 7-2 FINAL

The team beat Hamline University on Wednesday
Next Match:
The Blue Devils travel to Marian College and Ripon College on Saturday Oct. 8



SOCCER (5-1-2) 1-0 FINAL

The Blue Devils downed Wartburg College Sept. 30
Next Game:
The team takes on Illinois Wesleyan Friday Oct. 7



VOLLEYBALL (11-9)

The volleyball team went 1-2 for the week
Next Match:
The Blue Devils travel to the UW-Oshkosh Invitational this weekend



Blue Devils beat Waldorf

By Rachel Wick
Sports Editor

The University of Wisconsin-Stout football team defeated Waldorf (Iowa) College 44-3 on Saturday to boost their record to 4-0 overall.

The defeat also improved the Blue Devils to No. 16 in the American Football Coaches Association's rankings; UW-Stout had previously been ranked No. 21.

Just 19 seconds into Saturday's game, Coty Watkins turned the Blue Devil's second play of the game from a scrimmage into an

80-yard score to give UW-Stout the early 7-0 lead. Eight minutes later, Evan Larsen made a 25-yard field goal to further UW-Stout's lead.

With a little over a minute remaining in the first quarter, Blue Devil linebacker Stephen Schils came up with an impressive fumble recovery. A minute into the second quarter, UW-Stout's cornerback Joe Seep received a punt and cruised 64 yards to give the Blue Devils a 23-0 lead. Waldorf attempted a comeback, as Aaron Kurowski delivered on a 24-yard field goal, but it was to

no avail, as UW-Stout's Shawn Korth scored with a 4-yard dive. Watkins scored two rushing touchdowns in the second half of the game to close the doors on Waldorf College.

One of the more impressive aspects of the trouncing is that the Blue Devils pulled off the win without the efforts of key players Ryan Englebert, Andy Reese and Jesse Wendt, who all sat out due to injuries.

Even without the trio, the team's offense tallied 338 yards on 56 plays which included 250 yards rushing and 88 yards

passing. Watkins led the team rushing for 173 yards on 13 carries. UW-Stout's defense held strong without linebacker Luke Steffen, who was also out due to an injury. They came up with 201 yards total, 117 passing and 84 yards rushing.

The Blue Devil's Brandon Powell, Tony Fitts and Kendall Wade all made interceptions, resulting in five turnovers.

The team will travel to the University of Wisconsin-Oshkosh Saturday to take on the Titans and to attempt to add another win to their belt.



Andrew Mannique/Stoutonia

The University of Wisconsin-Stout's Kyle Miller grabs a catch to help the cause for the Blue Devil football team. UW-Stout's Cod scored three touchdowns as the Blue Devils defeated Waldorf College 44-3 Saturday Oct. 1 at the Don & Nona Williams Stadium.

Stout Hosts 4th Annual Strongman Competition

By Matt Edison
Sports Writer

October isn't just for trick-or-treating anymore but is also the month of the University of Wisconsin-Stout's 4th Annual Strongman Competition.

The event takes place Oct. 27, and the competition is held in the Multipurpose Room of the Johnson Fieldhouse.

FYI: You don't have to be the Incredible Hulk in order to compete, so if you think you have what it takes, then get registered. The event is free to

anyone that is affiliated with the university, meaning that students, staff and teachers are eligible to participate in the competition.

There are no set qualifications that have to be met in order to participate. This competition is

"Out of all the strongman competitions, no one has gone over a minute in the iron grip event."

~Krissy Patterson
Supervisor of Health and Fitness Center

also open to any women who want to step up to the challenge. Interested parties should e-mail the Health and Fitness Center at

www.hfc.uwstout.edu.

Does the name Jeff Holmgren ring any bells? Well, if you are familiar with the competition, you would recall that he won last year's Strongman title.

However, Jeff will not be defending his title because he graduated last year with a B.S. in construction management.

"Out of the five events, the most challenging one would have to be the iron grip hold," said Holmgren.

There are going to be a total of five events the day of the competition. The events are

tractor tire flip, iron grip, military bench press, farmer's walk and medicine ball toss.

Each of these events involves not only strength but speed, agility and endurance.

"You can be strong, but if you don't have all these qualities, it could cost you in the long run," said Krissy Patterson, the supervisor of the Health and Fitness Center.

Here are some descriptions of what each of the events require. The tractor tire flip is exactly how it sounds. The strongman must flip a tractor tire 80 yards

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Homecoming policies for drinking

By Jessica Boe
News Writer

Whirling rumors have been spread that this year's homecoming is "cancelled."

Students have been talking about a grant that was given to the University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire in an effort to decrease consumption of alcohol. Somewhere amidst

this fact came the rumor that UW-Eau Claire might cancel homecoming entirely, and from this came the rumor that the University of Wisconsin-Stout homecoming is also cancelled.

In the Sept. 22 edition of UW-Eau Claire's newspaper, *Spectator*, their student body president, Aaron Olson, was quoted saying, "Stout's homecoming has been

cancelled ... we hope not to go to Stout's level."

"This is not true," said Lisa Walter, the University of Wisconsin-Stout chief of police.

UW-Eau Claire's two-year grant is meant to improve social issues, with a percentage increasing enforcement. Only a small fraction of this grant is specifically catered towards homecoming.

UW-Eau Claire is not allowing alcohol in the stadium or on the premises i.e. tailgating this year.

"This is not something new to UW-Stout, we haven't allowed this for four years," said Walter.

UW-Eau Claire may also be affected if legislation and the city council decide to revise nightly drink specials

and keg registration. This too, is something that UW-Stout is already familiar with.

UW-Stout will continue to enforce its stance on keeping alcoholic beverages out of the stadium and off the premises during the homecoming game.

"Students can expect to see a lot more uniforms, more

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Studying in Fiji will be a tropical experience

By Kristie Wilson
News Writer

A brand new study abroad opportunity in Fiji will be offered starting the spring semester of 2006.

It would be especially helpful for those who are interested in biology, tourism or science. Fiji's main industry is tourism and they also offer marine biology, which is not offered here at the University of Wisconsin-Stout.

The country of Fiji has 300 islands. The up-to-date university where students would be studying is located in the capital, Suva. The opportunity will be available to take classes from professors that specialize in areas that UW-Stout doesn't offer.

"It's a wonderful opportunity for adventurous students who want to see the world," said Ken Parejko, a UW-Stout biology professor.

There is an opportunity

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The tropical island of Fiji has recently been added to one of the many locations students can travel abroad to during their time at the University of Wisconsin-Stout. This is an opportunity that will compliment many biology, tourism and science majors.

photo submitted by Ken Parejko

Downloading is illegal

By Kristie Wilson
News Writer

The Recording Industry Association of America (RIAA) has been suing persons whom have been downloading music illegally online. Recently a woman countersued them for accusing her wrongly and illegally searching her computer.

The RIAA filed "John Doe" lawsuits for individuals taking copyrighted music on the Internet through unauthorized services such as Grokster, Kazaa and Limewire. They were filed through the federal district courts across the country including California, Colorado, Georgia, Missouri, New York,

Pennsylvania, Virginia and Washington D.C.

Tanya Andersen, 42, a disabled single mother from Oregon, has filed a countersuit against the RIAA. She calls the RIAA a fraud and claims that they have been abusing the

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Police chief to institute

Walter to attend on violence against women

By Lindsey Scholdt
News Editor

Being one of 30 law enforcement officials, Lisa Walter, chief of the University of Wisconsin-Stout police, will be attending the National Law Enforcement Leadership Institute on Violence Against Women.

This opportunity is being hosted by the International Association of Chiefs of Police (IACP) and will be held from Oct. 16 through Oct. 19 in Jackson Hole, WY.

"I was excited to hear that I was accepted to attend.

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Consumption or possession of alcohol	First (in 12 months).....	\$248	NA
	Second (in 12 months).....	\$373	
	Third (in 12 months).....	\$498	
	Fourth (in 12 months).....	\$748	
Operating While Intoxicated (OWI)	First (in 10 years).....	\$790.50	Same as under 21
	Second (in 10 years).....	\$500 bond	
	Third (in 10 years).....	\$750 bond & jail time	
	Fourth (in 10 years).....	\$1,000 bond & jail time	
Disorderly Conduct (includes public urination)	NA	\$248	Same as under 21
Noise Violations	First offense.....	\$248	Same as under 21
	Second offense.....	\$373	
Open Container	NA	\$160.50	Same as under 21
Littering	NA	\$185.50	Same as under 21
On Premise	First (in 12 months).....	\$435.50	NA
	Second (in 12 months).....	\$498	
	Third (in 12 months).....	\$748	
Liquor Sale without a License	NA	\$748	Same as under 21
Furnishing (giving minors alcohol)	NA	\$435	Same as under 21

Drink /safety

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squad cars and aggressive enforcement,” said Walter. “We [UW-Stout Police] will be everywhere, along with State Patrol and Dunn County. If you’re doing something wrong, expect to see us around the corner. People need to comply with Menomonie ordinances.”

Safety precautions will be taken before, during and after the parade. Lisa Walter and Bill Siedlecki will be making sure that the drivers of the homecoming floats have not had one drop of alcohol. Even if a driver is within the legal limit to operate a vehicle according to the Wisconsin state limit of a .08 blood alcohol level, they will not qualify to drive a float. Fire extinguishers and safety chains are also among the list of things to be inspected before a float may participate in the parade.

Students need to remember

that fines for attempting to give or purchase alcohol for an underaged person are \$435, and this also applies for any underaged person attempting to purchase for themselves. Students hosting parties may not charge money for alcohol without a liquor license. Any underaged persons consuming alcohol on your premise may also receive serious fines.

If you are thinking about having a party, you need to comply with all of the Menomonie ordinances. Examples include noise ordinances and building ordinances. A complete list of these can be found at <http://dunncountywi.govoffice2.com> (click under city ordinances under the left hand column).

If you have any specific questions you need to check on, e-mail the Menomonie Police Department.

Music /illegal sharing creates a counter suit

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federal court judicial system. The RIAA accused Andersen of downloading gangster rap through Kazaa. Andersen claims to have never stolen anything online, let alone gangster rap, in which she has no interest.

After she received notice of her suit, she was contacted by the Settlement Support Center, where she was then told that a company called MediaSentry illegally infiltrated her computer and found some evidence that she was taking copyrighted music. She had the Settlement Support Center inspect her computer to prove her innocence.

“It was something I got in the mail and that I didn’t quite understand from them stating they were releasing my private information,” Andersen told p2pnet recently. “They had a subpoena attached and it basically sounded to me when

I read it that they were just investigating something and wanted my information.”

Andersen was told the probability of her innocence, but the Settlement Support Center told her to refuse settlement. The RIAA will go on with the suit, so that others will not follow in Andersen’s footsteps and put up a fight. She has not been the only victim of the RIAA.

“Copyright infringement is wrong,” said Andersen’s lawyer, Lory Lybeck. “[But], thug-like threats by multinational, multi-billion dollar businesses against people who cannot afford to speak or even explain their innocence is a much greater wrong.

“If all this was true, that would mean that the RIAA attempted to defraud a disabled women from her social security income. It would also mean that the RIAA attempted to get rid of their competitors by [hiring]

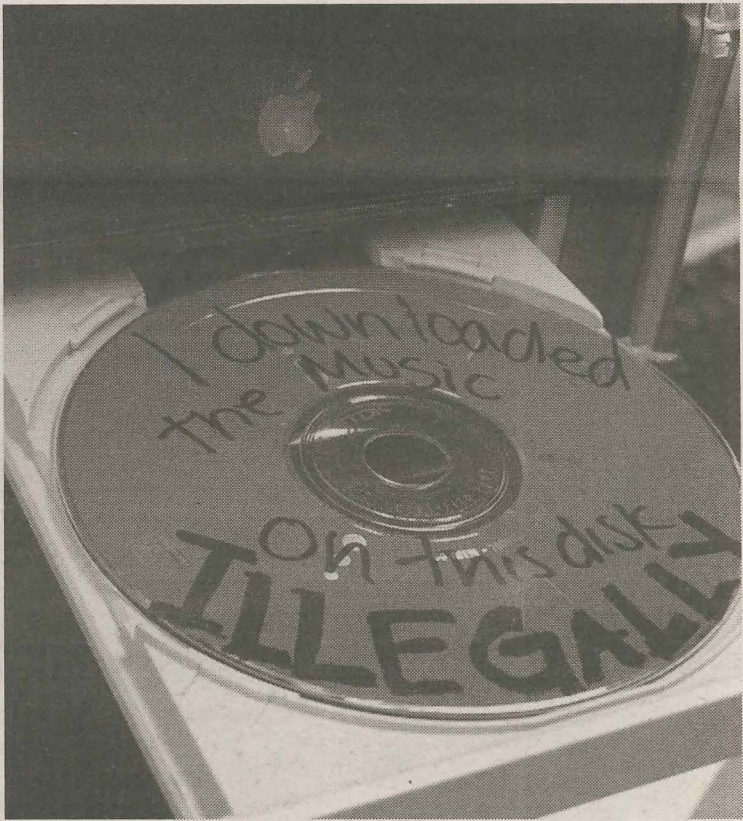
law enforcements and arresting innocent people. It would also mean that this is one of the most extreme acts of large scale corporate fraud ever.”

“I can see why downloading is wrong; you are stealing someone’s creation. The issue is more about profit, and they really don’t make that much money off of the songs, it’s more merchandise and tours,” said Suzie Kottwitz, a freshman at the University of Wisconsin-Stout majoring in multimedia design.

“The RIAA searches are kind of ridiculous, and too many mistakes can be made. There are a lot more problems to worry about.”

More information can be found at <http://arstechnica.com/news.ars/post/20051004-5382.html> and <http://p2pnet.net/story/6445>.

“I won’t stop downloading my music,” said Brian Baumgart, a undecided freshman.



Tiffany Laschinger/ Stoutonia
Downloading music is nothing new to college students. The lawsuits being made by RIAA are, however, a new concern.

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Correction

In the Oct. 6 edition of *The Stoutonia*, the caption on the front page under the sand castle picture was incorrect. The competition was put on by the hall events committee of Milnes-Chinnock, not all of HKMC. The castle was also not the winner of the four entries. The winners were third floor residents.

Campus AA Meeting

Wed. 5 p.m. to 6 p.m.

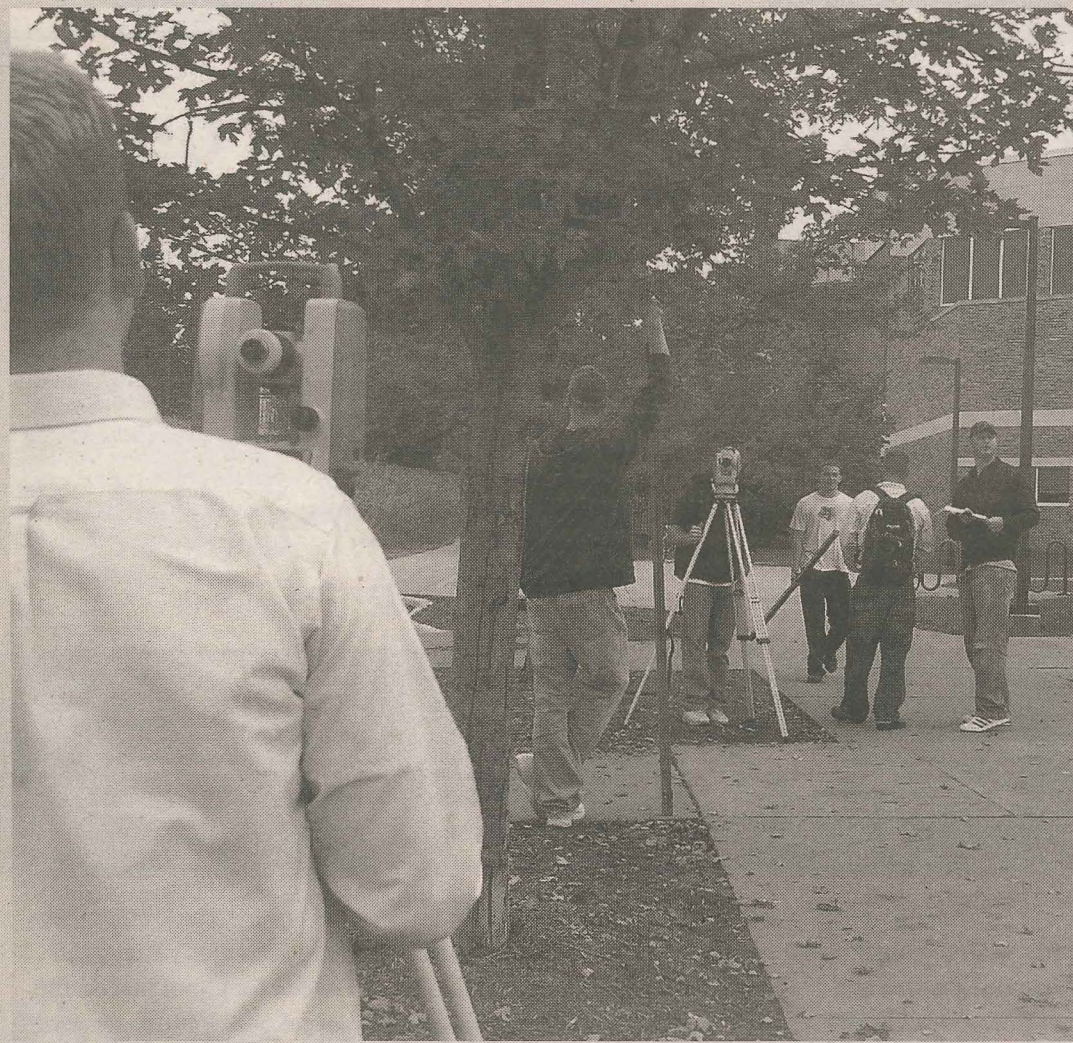
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Students learn to survey



Tiffany Laschinger/ Stoutonia

Students learn how to survey land for one of their classes. They were working on learning elevation. The process of surveying involves precise measuring and calculations.

Fiji / new study abroad

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to go this spring semester, which starts February 1, and then again in the fall, which starts July 15. Their schedules there are entirely different, since Fiji's winter is in July.

Participants would attend the University of South Pacific for five credits of pacific studies, and the rest would be their choice of elective classes.

The cost would be \$8,500 per semester, which would include tuition, field trips, food

and housing. It doesn't cover the airfare. Students enrolled would be staying with other Americans in private housing off campus.

"It's an opportunity to live in a culture much different than ours, an exotic country," said Parejko.

There are many things to do there such as scuba diving, surfing and traveling to tropical beaches. The food, lodging and transportation have reasonable prices. In Fiji they serve a lot of seafood and Indian food.

Parejko commented that this is the first time a study abroad program has been offered in a tropical location and it would be a life changing experience for anyone who is interested. Professors from UW-Stout were sent there to see if this would be a good opportunity for UW-Stout students. They came back very pleased with the school and the entire atmosphere.

"When I was there I found the Fijian people are very courteous and friendly, it's a comfortable place to be," said Parejko.

The deadline for spring semester is Nov. 1. For more information about this study abroad opportunity you can contact Vickie Kuester at 232-2132 or Parejko at 232-2561.

There will also be a meeting held Thursday, Oct. 20 at 11:15 a.m. in room 141 of the Science Wing of Jarvis Hall. More photos and additional information will be provided there. Anyone considering going to Fiji is advised to attend this meeting.



Citations for Sept. 28- Oct. 4

17 Citations for 1st Offense Underage Drinking (UAD)

All locked up

The MFD was called to the Memorial Student Center for a custodian locked in the elevator. The custodian was removed, but the elevator would not work. It was shut down.

Don't be a hater

A poster advertising Sally Winn speaking against feminism and abortion, was defaced with the words, "Die B*tch" written all over it. This was the only poster defaced, but it was requested that an officer stop in early to this event to ensure safety.

Ambulance call

An ambulance was called to the Red Cedar Hall for a student who was having a diabetic reaction. The female student appeared to be disoriented and struggled with the paramedics. When she was checked, they obtained a very low blood sugar level. The female would not take an oral glucose, so she had to be held steady as an I.V. was implemented. Once the glucose and I.V. started to take affect, the paramedics were able to get her to drink orange juice. When the ambulance crew thought she was stable, she was released to the care of her roommates.

Weapon search

Dunn County Sheriff's Department was dispatched to the trailer court just south of Highway 25. The complainant reported several subjects standing outside a trailer pointing a hand

gun at vehicles and trailers. A black truck was seen leaving the area. MPD officers stopped the vehicle and officers searched the truck for weapons.

Motor vehicle damaged

An officer was dispatched to Lot 22 in reference to criminal damage to a motor vehicle. The officer noticed a Geo Metro parked sideways. It was taking up two spaces. The owner was contacted and told officers he had parked the car earlier in the week, and upon arrival back to his car, he noticed it had been pushed sideways. The gravel under the tire indicated it shifted position. The vehicle had been ticketed earlier, so the officer had the ticket voided. The owner gave no one permission to move his vehicle.

Calling 911

There have been three more cases of the emergency 911 alarm going off in the Red Cedar Hall elevators. In one case both elevators were stuck on different floors and had to be turned off.

Drag on Broadway

An officer on patrol observed a male carrying a ladie's purse. The officer approached the male and asked him whose purse he had. The subject explained it was a female friend who lives a few blocks away. The officer asked for identification and to see the contents of the purse. The subject complied. The female from the drivers license in the purse was contacted and she properly identified the male subject and her address. The officer let the subject continue on his way.

Police / retreat

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this Leadership Institute," said Walter.

This leadership institute will give more attention to crimes of violence committed against women. It is designed to create plans to implement the policies and communicate better about awareness at the university.

The institute will give methods for helping crime victims as well as catching and punishing criminals. The executive officers will create plans of action to expand current strategies.

"It's a small group of 30 law enforcement executives that will be reviewing our department policies on sexual assault, domestic violence, police officer domestic violence and stalking," said Walter.

After returning, Walter will be able to enhance the Campus Violence Prevention Project

at UW-Stout. This project was started when the U.S. Department of Justice gave our campus a grant of \$200,000 to help ensure the rights and safety of women on the campus.

"When I return, I hope to bring creative, innovative policies and ideas back on investigating crimes of sexual assault, domestic violence and stalking," said Walter.

This trip will be paid for by a grant from the U.S. Department of Justice's Office on Violence Against Women.

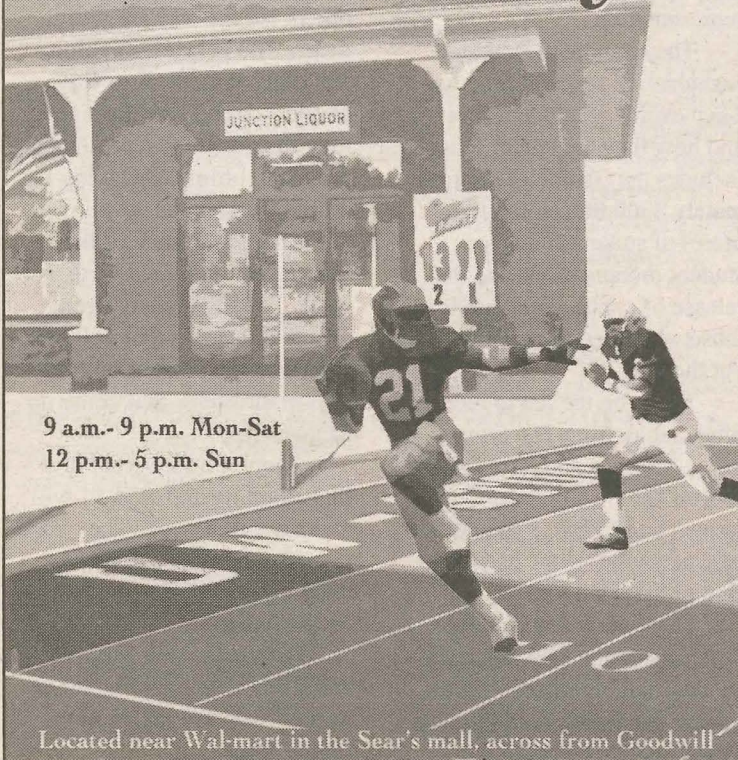
"It makes me feel safer knowing our police are taking violence against girls seriously," said Lia Badner, a undecided sophomore. "I won't have to worry about walking home by myself at night because the police will know what they're doing and how to handle situations."

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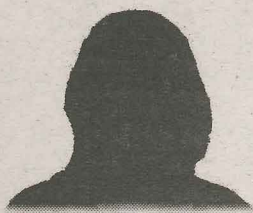
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What's homecoming mean to you?



Staff Editorial The Stoutonia Staff

Homecoming: time of the alcoholic's life, or a week dedicated to a sporting event? It's a timeless question that boggles the minds of University of Wisconsin-Stout students every Oct.

With a campus that has around 8,000 students, not even a quarter of them attend and support the events put on during homecoming week. The ironic part is that it becomes hard to get off of work because everyone wants homecoming off. But if not

many people choose to go to the planned events, what are students doing?

In high school, homecoming was a time for celebration. There are many fond memories of hot cocoa and cold nights while watching your close friends play on the field. The battle for homecoming royalty is something kids look forward to for much of their primary education.

So we're not in high school anymore, what does homecoming mean to us now? Look at the word itself. Homecoming didn't originate with a bunch of people sitting around a keg and thinking, "Hey, if we did this after a football game once a year it'd be really cool."

Instead, it exists for people to come home, from where ever they may be, to rejoin in the celebration of their alma mater.

It's a time when people come home to see how different everything has become, or maybe how much of the same everything is.

For us who are still in college, this is a time to celebrate the freedoms we still have from not being in the real world. It's a time to realize that we don't have responsibilities and obligations of the future just yet.

For those who come



back to celebrate, this is a time for them to forget about their responsibilities and obligations and savor the memory of the past. It's a piece of nostalgia that can't be found anywhere but this town. That's right, for once Menomonie has a legacy it must live up to.

All of those memories, the homecoming candidates no one remembers, the football players most of us never got to know, it's all contained within this single weekend that we like to call homecoming.

Some people choose to

enjoy it by becoming involved in all the activities, while other students choose to enjoy it by sitting back and just watching the rest of the frenzy that ensues.

Some people choose to go home, but they are in the seldom few.

Even as a known suitcase campus, students still stay for this weekend to see what it entails. That's why people come back for it, that's what makes homecoming, homecoming.

Maybe our parade isn't the best homecoming parade in the Midwest. Maybe not

everyone knows that there are activities planned all week long, not just on the weekend. Yet people come back every year to experience everything UW-Stout did and didn't do.

Whether you choose to reflect on the weekend with alcohol and crazy parties, or watch the football game and participate in the events, make sure that you spend your time with as many people as possible. That way when it's your time to come home for your homecoming, you'll have something to come home to.

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Leadership a must have for SSA



Shawn Peter Columnist

Behind the scenes there is one organization that makes countless decisions that affect daily student life.

I'm talking about the Stout Student Association, also known as the SSA.

Even though it's instrumental in major decision making or sending out a simple e-mail that some may or may not like, there are large misconceptions and a lack of knowledge of what the SSA really is and what the organization does.

The SSA is not an organization for the lazy, apathetic, selfish or those who sit on the fence. There is a lot of work to be done that needs strong leadership and real vision.

The decisions the organization can make or the actions

it does have drastic impacts that can be felt across campus, across the state or even across the nation (as with the ROTC decision).

The footprints left from those who lead in this organization can last for many years to come.

The senate now consists of five senators per the four colleges and two for graduate school, based on alphabet. Two of the five senators in each college are also assigned a dorm and three are assigned a ward off campus to represent the whole of the student body.

This is best represented in a picture rather than words, I tried my best.

How does SSA affect you? There are hundreds of committees that students can sit on to alter major decision making in the students' favor.

Some of those committees include academics, parking, alcohol policy and the laptop program—virtually every major committee needs an assertive student representative.

This is one avenue to make student life a little better. It has been done in the past.

The SSA is an organization that holds all of the keys. Leadership on almost any issue at the University of Wisconsin-Stout is handled through student representation.

They handle the student organization renewal process. They decide on student fees and how they are spent. This includes the issuing of approximately \$300,000 (sometimes more) of student funds to student organizations and the release of contingency funds to those who need them throughout the year.

Those on the list to receive funds range from *The Stoutonia* to athletics and intramural sports. The SSA deserves respect and likewise should be held accountable for its leadership or lack thereof.

There are a few examples proving that the SSA has been an effective organization. Last spring, the dining program was threatened to be consolidated

with hospital and prison food programs under Gov. Doyle's plan to save the state money.

The quality of service would have been reduced substantially compared to where it is now.

Students from the SSA and others led the way by getting nearly 700 petition signatures and delivering them to Gov. Doyle's desk. Over the summer, the governor repealed the proposal, ultimately saving the dining program as we know it.

The importance of the senator election next week is huge. The SSA needs strong, unselfish leaders that will best represent the student body on important issues that come up frequently.

There are the select few that stood up and said, "I will make a difference!" They want to make the SSA a good student organization again and are on the ballot.

Help make that happen when you vote or attend meetings on Tuesday nights in the Prairie Room.

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Help is out there

I want to thank Jennifer Gauthier for an excellent article in the Oct. 6 *Stoutonia*, drawing attention to the important topics of depression and suicide.

Her facts were current, and the recommendations for how to intervene with someone who is having suicidal thoughts were sensitive and life affirming.

I'd like to supplement her article by mentioning campus resources that are available to help students who are feeling depressed and/or having suicidal thoughts.

First of all, professional counselors are available at the Counseling Center in 410 Bowman Hall (232-2468) for assessment and counseling.

Services are free and confidential for students.

We also list a number of self-help resources online at <http://www.uwstout.edu/counsel> including the suicide hotlines referenced in the article.

Another resource on campus is the Student Health Center (232-1314), which has medical staff available for consultation about medications that might be helpful to treat depression and other conditions that can put a person at risk for suicide.

Finally, as Ms. Gauthier mentioned, if the situation is a crisis (i.e., a person is in immediate danger of harming themselves), taking a person to an emergency room or calling the police (911 or 232-2222) are appropriate actions

to save a life. Our campus police are well-trained to assess suicidal situations and respond appropriately.

There is much help for persons who are feeling depressed or suicidal. When help is sought, individuals usually regain their sense of well-being and return to more hopeful, satisfying levels of functioning in work, school and relationships.

Thanks again to Ms. Gauthier for calling attention to these important topics.

John Achter

Remember Reagan

Regarding the article about Christopher Walken who is allegedly running for president in 2008.

The author states that "We've had several other celebrities hold various offices, but never a presidency."

I think Matt has forgotten Ronald Reagan, who was a well-known actor prior to his political career. Oops.

Melissa Frank

Your responsibility



Michael Graney
Columnist

If I were to come up and ask you how you feel about George W. Bush relaxing the clean air standards so that gas can be made faster; the tax cuts remaining even though we have pledged \$200 billion to rebuild New Orleans; or if we should stay in or leave Iraq, what would your response be?

Would you engage in a healthy debate? Would you try to avoid the subject by changing it into something more mundane and uncharged like

enters the digital age, rights are changed.

What about the Radio Frequency Identification (RFID) implanted passports? Did you know that they are always transmitting? They also aren't encrypted and the range is longer than two feet.

So next time, if some terrorist has a desire to kidnap an American while traveling abroad, all they have to do is have a reader for the RFID tag. They potentially will even know what you look like.

What about the Motion Picture Association of America (MPAA) trying to get broadcast flags put through the airwaves, so that when broadcasting is digital, one can't legally record it on the VCR or fast forward through commercials with one's TiVo?

"It is your patriotic duty to remain informed. It is your patriotic duty to have an opinion. Democracies only work with an informed and individualized electorate."

What we are really at college for

College is a place for us to discover what we really want to do



Steve Tietz
Columnist

Initially, I had intended to submit an article for publication outlining the controversy between light and dark beer, but after my first, second and third revisions I decided to delay the article for future publication, so as to form a well rounded debate coupled with technical information.

So those of you who were looking forward to reading about the controversy, I must apologize but insist patience on your part, as I will deliver the article within the next few weeks.

In the meantime, I would like to discuss a topic which has begun to weigh in on me and my "lets just drink beer" attitude: my future.

Recently I applied for a study abroad program to London and my advisor had to approve my list of scheduled classes.

Upon review of my transcripts in comparison with my program plan, I was asked several times why I had chosen to take certain classes I no longer need.

My response was simple, they were classes I was interested in. His response was that I was wasting my money and time by deviating from my program plan.

This of course is true for anyone who has settled on a major, whereas I have not decided on a major but simply stated an intention.

Since meeting with my advisor, the first time in three years, I have done nothing but think about his statement and to be honest, it's been dragging me down.

Take a moment and think about what you are doing here and where you hope it leads you.

If during the course of visualizing your future, you find room for deviation, or perhaps the path is incomplete or like me you happen to be facing a wall, consider yourself normal.

However, if you find your path is complete, and in fact you can see every step to be taken to reach your goals, then consider yourself fortunate and stop reading now.

It's been two weeks since it was outlined to me that my choices in classes were a waste of time and money. Most people might not even think twice about that statement or not even realize the implications of it, but I did.

I have always been a firm believer in doing what pleases your soul regardless of time, money or consequences, because in the end a handful of great memories are better than a life of crappy memories.

It had never occurred to me in my entire time at college that I could take a class deemed as a waste of time.

Aren't we here to learn? What happened to diversity in education? Is sticking to one

path through life more important than finding one's niche in life?

I have friends and family whom have sacrificed their dreams to see the dreams of their children grow, and yet, I am being pressed to adhere to one educational path for the rest of my collegiate life. Why?

An employer once told me college was all about the package. Every one is the same, but each packages theirs differently in order to suck you in and drain you of your money.

This of course seems logical considering the collegiate system is a business after all, and the more money you are willing to sink into your investment, the better the return.

I thought about this statement one night over a 12 pack and I came to one conclusion: he was wrong.

College is a package and a business, but it's about manipulating your investment to achieve your own desired return.

I could spend the rest of my life wasting both my time and money taking all the courses which I am interested in, and I would still be better off than someone who hasn't even been to college.

I guess what I'm trying to say is I am more content taking classes of personal interest and wasting time here than I have ever been working some dead end, joke of a retirement plan incentive job.

Not knowing one's path is a hell of a gamble, but the chance at success is better than settling for a given path any day.

the weather or who will win the Super Bowl?

Would you even care?

I sincerely hope you would care. It is critical to our way of government, our way of life, that the electorate is involved, knowledgeable and concerned about the government.

It should be a point of pride that we can go around and talk about current issues of the day intelligently with each other.

Isn't the most exciting area of conversation, but it has the potential to have a more prominent effect on our lives than who will win the Super Bowl or whether or not it will rain.

The common saying of ignorance being bliss is abhorrent to what makes a good American. We cannot be ignorant. We must take it upon ourselves to learn and know what our government is doing.

For example, did you know that it is illegal to make copies of certain CDs? By the Digital Millennium Copyright Act (DMCA), it is technically illegal to make a copy of any copyrighted CD.

Don't you think that violates your rights of fair use?

Making tapes from records is legal because that is an analog media, but when one

These are just some of the issues that one doesn't hear much about. Nor does it seem that the citizens really care.

That saddens me.

Communications and information dissemination have advanced extremely far in the 200 years since this country was founded. Ignorance or indifference shouldn't be an option.

If Americans showed the level of apathy towards the government 200 years ago that we show today, we would have never become a country.

It is your patriotic duty to remain informed. It is your patriotic duty to have an opinion. Democracies only work with an informed and individualized electorate.

When one just surrounds themselves by yes-men, or people just don't care, we lose and begin to not be a government "of the people, by the people and for the people," but a government of the few, feeding of the ignorant, to make the rich fatter.

If you see me walking around campus, stop me and let's discuss the issues of the day.

Let's talk and converse freely. If we disagree, so be it. If it gets passionate, even better, it means we are doing our patriotic duty and engaging in discourse to keep things the same or create change.

Attention Faculty

If you would like to write an editorial for The Stoutonia, send your idea to stoutonia.uwstout.edu or to the Opinions Editor.

Stout's life and accomplishments

By Katie Triphan
Columnist

A short time after the Manual Training Building fire, the school was back up and running again in a third new, and this time fireproof, building that was completed in 1898 and later came to be known as Bowman Hall. Today it is the oldest building on campus, with the exception of the Louis Smith Tainter House, which technically is the oldest. However, Tainter was acquired by the university and not originally erected by the school.

Even before Stout donated the funds to rebuild the Manual Training School, his prominence as a citizen was solidified when he was elected president of the Menomonie Board of Education and appointed a member of the Board of Visitors for the River Falls Normal. He was also elected senator, representing Barron, Buffalo, Dunn and Pepin counties; he retained this position for a total of 16 years. Stout managed to achieve all of this in just five short years after coming to Menomonie.

In 1900, Mr. Stout decided that the school could use facilities for physical education. He set to work on having a two-part structure built that contained a

ple should have free access to books and he worked with the secretary of the Free Library Commission, Frank A. Hitchins, to establish the first traveling library system. As was his custom, he implemented this with his own funds. Rural communities who requested them were sent 75 volumes of history, the latest fiction and economics. At one point there were more than 60,000 volumes circulating throughout the state.

Not long after moving to Menomonie, Mr. Stout also set out to build an asylum for the mentally ill. It was built close to where the Dunn County Health Care Center is located today and was a self-sufficient operation, as the residents helped in maintaining the facility themselves.

Stout was also the foremost contributor in the improvement of roads, thereby enhancing the lives of rural people by creating routes for farmers to get to the market and also by making way for the large increase in automobile and bicycle use.

The personal life of Mr. Stout, however, was not as successful as his other ventures. His first marriage in 1871 to Kittie Morrill ended eight short years later; he discovered that his wife was unfaithful to him. He remarried at 42, to Angeline Wilson, who was 27.

They had three children: James Huff Jr., Eveline Deming and William Wilson. Angeline was forever paranoid that the children would be kidnapped; as a result, the children grew up semi-sheltered. Eveline died at the young age of 8 of diabetes; several years later James Huff Jr. died at the age of 20 from a self-inflicted gunshot wound that was never determined to be either accidental or intentional. William Wilson was the only child to survive and was not

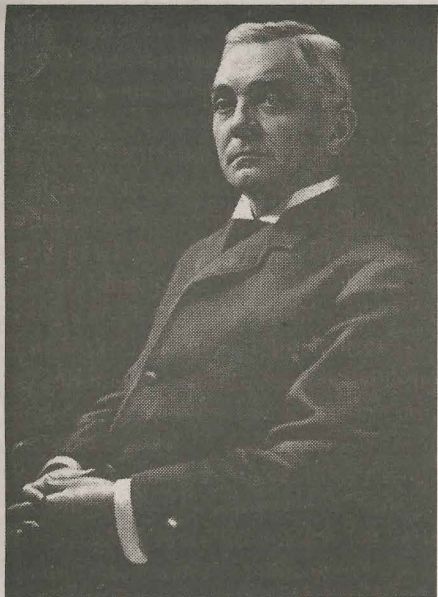
much interested in the Stout Institute, as he moved to the East Coast and returned very little during his life.

It's amazing to think that despite all this devastation, Mr. Stout managed to focus as much time as he did on giving his wealth back the community, striving in so many different facets to improve the quality of life for people in rural Wisconsin. Today, sadly, many of his efforts as senator have been forgotten: Mr. Stout detracted attention away from himself and instead directed it towards the goals he was striving to accomplish. The only real remainder of Stout's extensive generous efforts is the university that bears his name, but how amazed and proud he would be today to discover what has evolved of what he began!



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James Huff Stout was a generous man who contributed to the community in numerous ways. He established the first traveling library system, built an asylum for the mentally ill and improved local roads.



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Even with all of his achievements, Stout's personal life left much to be desired.

gymnasium and a swimming pool; again, he funded this all himself. In addition to being used by students, the building was also to serve as a recreation building. So, in it was included a reading room, billiards, a card room and bowling alleys that were used by members and groups of the community.

All in all, throughout his life, Stout poured more than \$500,000 into his Manual Training School venture in Menomonie. This wasn't the only endeavor of Mr. Stout's though; beyond his obligations with the mill, the Stout Manual Training School, and his duties as senator, Mr. Stout also had an interest in libraries, road development and a concern for the facilities available for the mentally ill.

Stout believed that all peo-

Feminists against abortion

By Jennifer Gauthier
Campus Writer

The organization Feminists for Life held a meeting on Oct. 4 in the Memorial Student Center on campus. The speaker was Sally Winn, the former vice president of Feminists for Life of America, who chose not to have an abortion when she became pregnant as a college student. Feminists for Life was established in 1972 and, according to their pamphlets, is supported by about 26,000 members.

"Abortion is harmful to women," said Winn. "Legislation against abortion is necessary. Science shows that life begins at conception, and we believe that abortion is violence against women and children."

Feminists for Life believe that abortion is not a reproductive right but a form of violence against women and children; the reason women have abortions is the lack of resources and support; and that women want and deserve a different answer than abortion. Feminists for Life is aligned with Christian organizations that focus on the anti-abortion aspect of their mission statement.

Their "answer" to abortion is to once again legalize the procedure, in any trimester, without exceptions for rape or incest; a quote in a booklet offered at the meeting ventures: "abortion is worse than rape." They also oppose abortions when advised to save a woman's life, stating, "Situations in which the pregnancy threatens the life of the mother are extremely rare."

Other than legislative action, the organization also supports an increase in both financial and emotional support for pregnant women who otherwise

couldn't afford or handle a child, at the expense of taxpayers.

Their basis for these ideas is that women do not want, need or deserve to have an abortion for any reason and that abortions are damaging to women, children and society in general.

"I don't agree with abortions well into the pregnancy," said Lars Leafblad, an industrial design major, "I think the morning after pill (Plan B) should be used if the condom breaks or another problem occurs and the child is unwanted."

Feminists for Life aim to "protect women from themselves" and to "protect children from society that forces women to choose not to have children." Feminists for Life do not take a stand on contraception.

"I'm against abortion," said Erica Steinkraus, an interior design major, "but it depends on so many things: where you live, what income you have, your individual situation and circumstances. There's no hard and

fast answer for every woman. But I'm primarily against it. If you can afford and obtain birth control, there's no reason why I think abortion needs to be an option."

While some students disagree with abortion, they also express the belief that women have the right to choose an abortion.

"It's the choice of the woman, said Travis Raymond, who is a multimedia major.

"I wouldn't take away the option, even if I don't personally believe in the choices they make. I don't really believe in abortion, but that's the woman's choice," said Raymond.

Anti-abortionists believe that at the point of conception, the cells constitute a human child that is violated during an abortion. However, this belief isn't shared by everyone.

Many abortion supporters find anti-abortion legislation unconstitutional, and believe abortion should be an option.



Source: <http://www.es.oersted.dtu.dk>

Feminists for Life believe anti-abortion legislation is necessary and that women wouldn't abort if they had more government support.

New science education program Benefits of orgs

By Renee Currington
Campus Editor

The University of Wisconsin-Stout department of instruction has approved a new science education bachelors program and encourages students to sign up.

The program focuses on training for general science instruction in middle schools.

"We need a lot of well educated science teachers because we need a well educated society that will think about science in a rational way and use that in the day-to-day world," said Dr. Laura McCullough, who is the program director for the new major.

According to McCullough, there is a great need for middle school science teachers in the nation in general, and the demand is above average in Wisconsin. There are a few different causes for this demand.

Schools that are faced with funding issues can't afford to have separate departments for different areas of science. An under-funded school needs a teacher who can teach multiple science disciplines for the whole school.

Within the next five to ten years, many of the nation's science teachers will be retiring, which will open up more teaching opportunities.

"We need people who already love science and teaching," said McCullough, "You can't just do it for the money."

With the guidance of the program, these science teachers will go on to provide service to the community.

"These schools need not only excellent teachers, but

members of the community who are part of the school districts, who will help other teachers," said McCullough. "If you work with the community, you have a better sense of the school."

Students who are interested in the program must pass the Pre-Professional Skills Test (PPST) before completing 40 credits of the program. The PPST is offered every month in Eau Claire

new program that are already part of other programs.

"Those graduating with degrees such as applied science, food and nutrition and technical education can come back for a masters in education," said McCullough. "As long as they have completed all the required courses they can still get the certification."

There are currently five

there is financial aid specifically for programs like the new science education program.

"There are scholarships for those willing to teach in high-need areas, and in some cases, a free ride as long as you're willing," said McCullough.

There are also organizations for students who want to be involved or who want to explore a career in science education.



Photo Illustration by Steve Poole/Stoutonia

The new science education major was established in response to a high need for middle and high school teachers who are able to teach multiple science disciplines at under funded schools.

and is offered as electronic version.

Students who have already begun a science degree or who will soon complete a science degree do not have to start a new four-year degree to get the science education certification. There are many courses in the

different concentrations in the science education program and soon there may be more.

"We're looking into a biology add-on," said McCullough, "With enough demand there may also be a chemistry add-on."

For those who are concerned about the cost of extra courses,

"There are some professional institutions you can poke your nose into," said Alan Scott, a UW-Stout physics professor. "There's the Wisconsin Student Education Association. The Wisconsin Society of Science Teachers has a lot of student participants."

By Tabitha Martin
Campus Writer

Every college student realizes at one point or another that college life is more than just books and papers. Yes, we are here to receive an education and ultimately a degree that will in turn grant us a fabulous career, but there is more.

These are the days when we will develop not only the knowledge necessary to fulfill the requirements of our future careers, but also to acquire the social skills necessary to get there and make it worth while. Student involvement is a productive, proactive approach to make certain that students attain the knowledge, skills and abilities necessary for survival in the real world.

"Being involved with the university has helped me to make connections and has also helped me to identify and develop the leadership skills I still use and need to work on," said Ashley Howard, a senior in retail merchandising management and member of Delta Zeta.

By being involved in an organization, students can gain access to their future careers by practicing good time management, academic success and taking a leadership role in a support system that will benefit them long after graduation.

Research from the University of Iowa, based on a study of 292 college students and the affect of extracurricular involvement, concurred with this information by stating the following results:

"By participating and persevering in any of these activities, the students gain a sense of self-respect, self-esteem and self-confidence. Extracurricular activities give them pride in their accomplishments, and they learn that if an activity is worth doing, it is worth doing well."

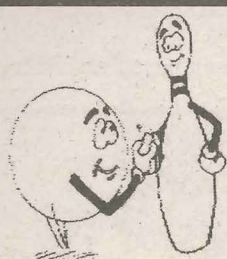
Active participation in an organization will not only look impressive on a resume and make students more attractive to employers, it will also open up their minds by introducing them to people they would not have met otherwise.

At UW-Stout we have more than 120 organizations to meet the wants and needs of any potential student looking for somewhere to belong. The best place to find that ideal organization is the Student Organization Center (SOC) desk located in the Memorial Student Center. Here students can find contact information, missions and activities of all the organizations that currently exist on this campus. Information on organizations can also be found online at <http://www.uw-stout.edu/student/> where anyone can peruse all that UW-Stout has to offer.

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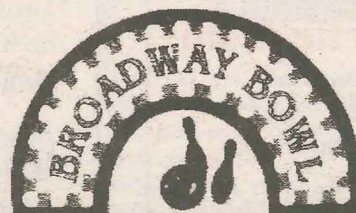
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The Niche provides co-op experiences

By Rachel Landwehr
Campus Writer

The Niche is a place where students and faculty can go to find the perfect gift for that special someone, or even something for themselves.

While rushing through the days here at the University of Wisconsin-Stout, trying to get into the daily grind, many things can go unnoticed.

This is especially true if students are unaware of certain campus or other student organizations, such as The Niche, which is a student run retail store on the second floor of the Home Economics Building.

Students involved in the retail merchandising and management major at UW-Stout are in charge of the whole process of maintaining the store.

There are a total of twelve students that participate in the class, working on preparation, sales, advertising and store layout.

The class is a fashion practicum credit, now run by Professor Adel Mekraz, replacing Dr. Kathleen Maglio, who instructed the class for thirteen years. The fashion practicum class has been around since about 1971.

It was originally set up to give fashion merchandising

students practical experience in retail. It first began as a consignment store in the basement of a store on Main Street.

Later the funds obtained by the consignment sales were reinvested to purchase merchandise from wholesale markets.

At one point in time there were even two stores, one sold apparel and the other sold gifts. They were called The Niche I and The Niche II.

Even though the location has changed, the information and experience the students take away from the co-op has remained the same.

Students in the class go through the process of obtaining knowledge that is learned in any other co-op or internship.

"There are no boundaries, so we learn the entire procedure of a retail business, where other internships can be more concentrated in one area," said Annika Larson, a senior in retail merchandising and management.

Students in the program are expected to go to markets such as "The Mart" in Minneapolis,

which is not open to the general public, to buy merchandise for the store.

They also order some of their products online and go through vendors such as Pepsi for some of the snacks and bev-



Rachel Landwehr/Stoutonia

Students maintain The Niche as part of a co-op requirement for the retail business program. Here they learn how to manage operations at a retail store and are in charge of handling the store's inventory.

erages sold at the store.

Using merchandise from past years, if there is any left, they design the layout of the store and figure out budgets and pricing.

"The Niche offers great internship experience, and day-in and day-out knowledge," said Emily Larson, a retail merchandising and management senior.

The program covers their co-op credits and is only open to seniors in the retail merchandis-

ing major.

The class is open only one semester a year, which is always in the fall; however, they are looking into opening The Niche in the spring for the future.

They offer sales throughout the semester on certain items in the store, usually around the holiday seasons.

A great place to find gifts for friends, family or a little pick up for yourself, The Niche is open Monday through Thursday from

9 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Friday from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m..

Carrying a variety of merchandise from those notorious sorority knick-knacks and scented candles to snacks, The Niche is a convenient place to stop between classes throughout the semester.

"There's an assortment of apparel and intriguing gift items," said Kirby Laackmann, a junior in the apparel design and development program.

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ing friendships, gaining career experience and attaining leadership skills, students can also make contacts to help make finding post graduation jobs and internships easier.

"Through current members and alumni, the fraternal system has given me a vast network of connections," said Sigma Tau Gamma sophomore Matt Kruse. "These connections form long term friendships, as well as providing resources to the world outside of college."

College life is far more than

academics and as students it is our responsibility to make sure we take advantage of the opportunities laid before us. Those opportunities to be leaders and mentors will shape who we are now and who we will be once we step into the real world.

So whether you choose to go wild with Stout Adventures, be political and get involved with student government, contribute to the community through Habitat for Humanity or get involved in any of the other organizations on this campus, you will be making an impact on this campus.

Go out and get involved; whatever you choose, it will be beneficial to yourself and your community here at UW-Stout.

Budget Reminder

Organizational budgets are due by noon and not a minute later on Wednesday, Oct. 19. In order for groups to receive segregated funding from SSA, budgets must be completed in full online.

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BDP has Assassination in works



Mike Ryan

Entertainment Writer

I suppose I must have been overly anxious or perhaps too expectant of a profound quote from Ike Reilly, a singer who has been compared to many of the great artists of our day.

It only took until mid-conversation for it to become evident that pretense and hype aren't what drives this songwriter. Rather, it's a genuine contempt for pretense and hype, and a true passion for making good music.

"There's this thing called imagination that leads me to not feeling bound to anything," said Reilly.

His songs aren't necessarily "about" anything besides ambiguous concepts that aren't meant to be taken at face value.

"I'm guessing the guy who wrote 'Take Me Out to the Ballgame' wasn't seriously asking somebody to take him to a baseball game," said Reilly. "That's the idea behind my music. It might be an experience,

an idea or a lie, but I know the truth of it, and I don't care how it's taken."

Reilly writes his songs with no regard for critical response. Still, Reilly is no stranger to praise. He has been heralded as the "precocious child of Ray Davies and Bob Dylan," which is not a comparison that just gets thrown around.



Source: www.howwastheshow.com

Ike Reilly has been compared to many of the great artists of our day, including Bob Dylan. He will perform at Huff's on Oct. 13.

Reilly is familiar with this comparison, but shrugs it off.

"They're going to compare me to somebody," said Reilly. "My career isn't anything like their careers. I'm relatively obscure, and the only thing they have as a basis of comparison is my sound. They're not going to say I sound like Zeplin."

This is true, but that's not to say that his "relatively obscure" career hasn't had its memorable moments.

In fact, one of the songs off his new CD, entitled "Kara Dean," was inspired by a unique experience relating directly to UW-Stout.

Last February, while traveling through the site of Buddy Holly's death, Clear Lake, Iowa, on the anniversary of Holly's plane crash, the tour bus caught on fire.

They were eventually able to secure transportation to

Menomonie, where their next show was scheduled. While at UW-Stout, Reilly reflected on his recent experience and its significance. He noted that, unlike Buddy Holly, he had never written a song about a girl.

With this in mind, he scrawled down the beginnings of one of the best songs of the album, "Kara Dean."

Hype can overshadow what a group like The Ike Reilly Assassination stands for: genuine, good music. There are some ridiculously catchy tunes on this record. If my brain could dance, it would dance to this album.

The Hopefuls, formerly the Olympic Hopefuls, open for Reilly, which will make for an extremely entertaining lineup.

The Ike Reilly Assassination appears courtesy of Blue Devil Productions. Huff's will be packed for this show Thursday at 8 p.m., so be there early.

Hope you're not 'Waiting' for good movie



Jarrod Burns and William Butchee

Entertainment Writers

"Waiting..." chronicles the misadventures of the workers of Shenanigan'Z, a fictional chain restaurant similar to Applebee's or Chili's. The staff includes a gung-ho loser boss, filthy cooks, poser busboys, a guru dishwasher and a wait staff of slackers. All of them are stuck in their dead-end jobs, but only one waiter seems to mind and wants desperately to move up in the world. Meanwhile, the rest of the staff is happy to party every night and break every rule during the day.

WB: To all those looking for the next "Office Space" or "Super Troopers," I'm sorry to inform you that you'll have to keep waiting. The movie "Waiting..." spends most of its time trying to imitate Kevin Smith.

JB: I didn't expect "Waiting..." to be anything more than a watered down copy of "Clerks" hosted by Ryan Reynolds of "Van Wilder" fame.

The film definitely dished up my expectations, low as they may have been.

The trailer showed almost the entire menu of jokes used in the movie.

WB: The movie takes place almost entirely at Shenanigan'Z and unfolds over the course of one day. This 24-hour period stretches the story pretty thin, revealing the writer's lack of material.

JB: Some people may at-

tack the film for using gross-out jokes and sophomoric humor. I would contend that this is actually the film's saving grace.

The joke du jour is male frontal nudity, which may be considered offensive to some people.

Those people should calm down and keep their opinions to themselves, because this is the one part of the movie worth seeing. I won't spoil the joke by describing it here.

WB: The focus of this gross comedy is on the careless cooks' kitchen shenanigans. This makes the "growing up" segments of the story unnecessary in making this comedy a hit, especially if you've seen "Van Wilder." It also makes the good characters' moral choices look one-dimensional.

JB: The small amount of plot the movie has to work with is character driven, which is too bad because as was just said, the characters are one-dimensional.

Also not helping matters, the wait staff actors are typecast into roles that they have played too many times before. This is not to say that all of the actors did a bad job. On the contrary, all of the actors did the best they could with the material they were given and, in my opinion, earned their 15 percent gratuity.

WB: Editing and directing styles rarely matter as much in comedies as in other genres, but in "Waiting..." these elements are executed so poorly that they bring themselves to attention.

Since this movie was shot on location and is character focused, it was difficult for the director to plan different camera angles, resulting in blatant continuity errors and tedious looking shots.

JB: The mediocre direction and cinematography, together with the slow moving storyline, clashed with the party atmo-

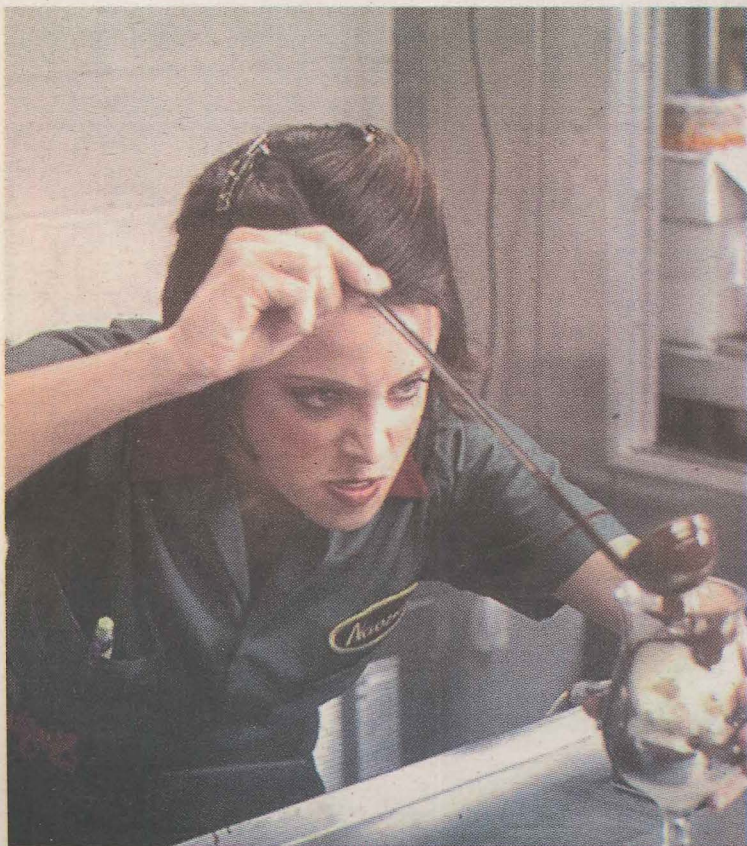
sphere of the film, and were a bit too much for the hilarity to compete with.

Even with funnyman heavyweights Luis Guzmán and Dane Cook at the stove, cooking up some hot comedy, the film falls short of being a delicious dish.

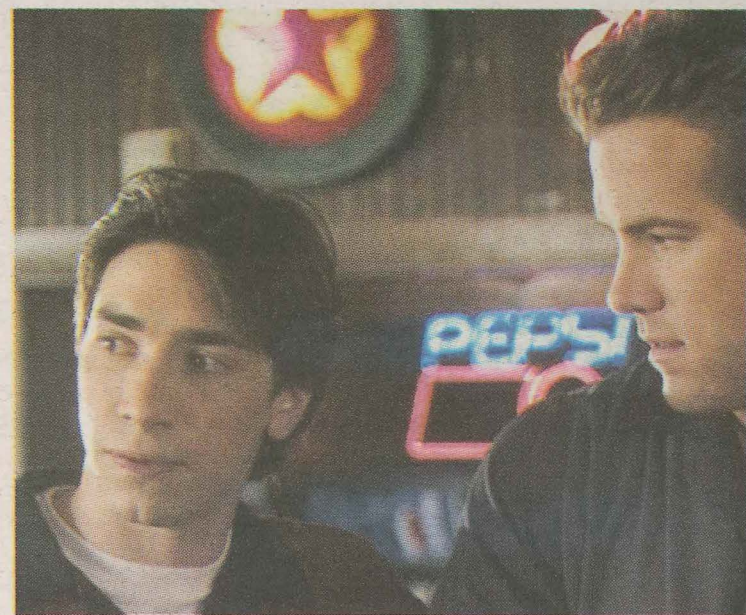
What's it worth?

WB: Wait 'til you can rent it on DVD.

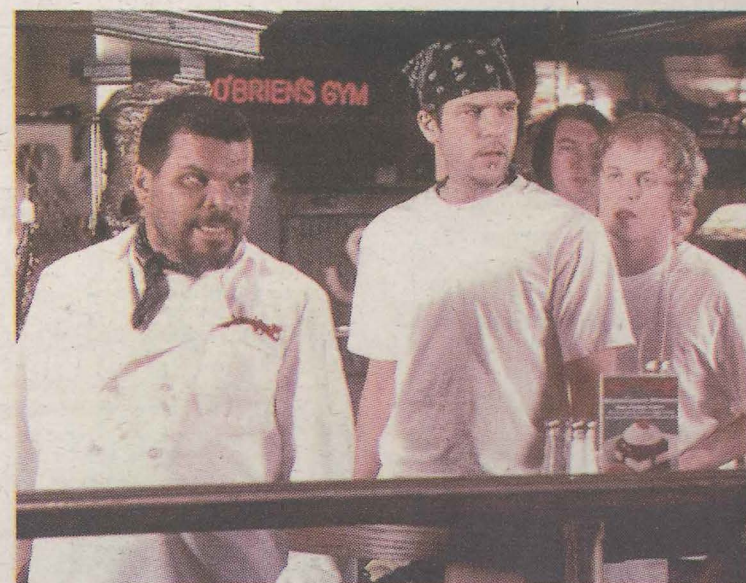
JB: DVD rental or wait 'til it opens at the State Theater.



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(Left) As you can probably tell, the employees of Shenanigan'Z, a chain restaurant from hell, seem to have a lot on their minds, much of it antisocial. (Top) Continuing his less-than-promising career in low-brow comedies, Ryan Reynolds smirks his way through yet another self-satisfied role. (Bottom) The cooking staff of Shenanigan'Z may make you rethink eating at Applebee's or Chili's ever again. Perhaps the movie can qualify as a public service announcement.

The 411

October 13
to October 20

Thursday, Oct. 13

>Johnny Station Band, The Den, 9:30 p.m., \$3.
>Ike Reilly Assassination + The Hopefuls, Huff's, 8 p.m., Free.
>Pat McCurdy, Stones Throw, 10 p.m., \$7.
>Rockin Robin, Klassix, 7:30 p.m., Free.

Friday, Oct. 14

>Dudley Markham + Friends, Mabel Tainter Theater, 8 p.m., \$8.
>Vile Red + Knowing Jobe + Advizere + TBA, Stones Throw, 10 p.m., \$3.
>White Iron Band + The EC Blues All Stars, House of Rock, 9:30 p.m., Free.
>And Hope To Die, Mr. Heavy's, 9 p.m., Free.
>The Cruisers, Klassix, 7:30 p.m., Free.

Saturday, Oct. 15

>Euforquestra + Q- Public, Stones Throw, 10 p.m., \$3.
>Changing Subjects, Tailgates, 9:30 p.m., \$2.
>Space Rangers, The Mousetrap, 10 p.m., Free.
>Neal + Leandra, Mabel Tainter Theater, 8 p.m., \$18 adults, \$16 students.

Sunday, Oct. 16

>Mary Ann Baldaf Organ Recital, Mabel Tainter Theater, 2 p.m., \$8/\$6.

Monday, Oct. 17

>Open Stage w/ the Jones Tones, Klassix, 7:30 p.m., Free.
>The Q-tet, Stones Throw, 9 p.m., Free.

Tuesday, Oct. 18

>Lucky Creek Blues Band, Klassix, 7:30 p.m., Free.
>In Capable Hands Matinee, Mabel Tainter Theater, 2 p.m., \$6.

Wednesday, Oct. 19

>Comedy Late Night Players, Great Hall, 8 p.m., Free.
>The Stones Throw House, Stones Throw, 9:45 p.m., Free.

Thursday, Oct. 20

>Rockin Robin, Klassix, 7:30 p.m., Free.
>The Ride, Tailgates, 9:30 p.m., Free.
>The Buffali, Stones Throw, 10 p.m., \$3.
>Tracy Lea + Bentley T., Acoustic Cafe, 8 p.m., Free.

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The dueling 'Apprentices'



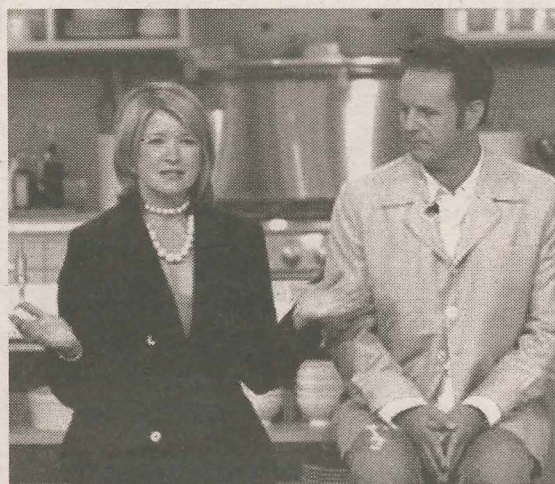
Matt Schubbe
Entertainment Writer

Be still my beating heart, could there be two "Apprentices"?

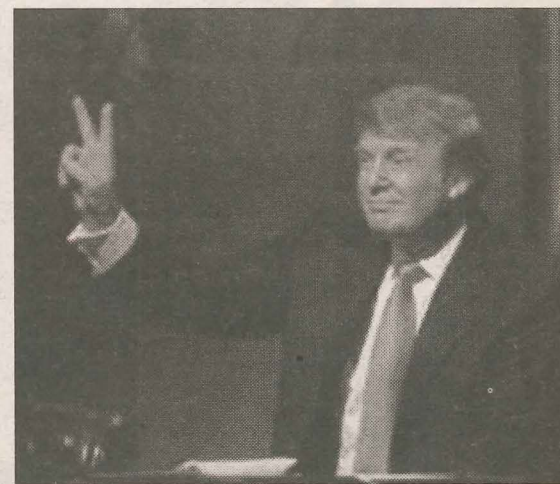
Oh, wait, my heart actually did stop for a second there. And yes, in addition to my poor cardiovascular health, there are two versions of NBC's "The Apprentice." One still features the indomitable Donald Trump, but the other features uber-homemaker and recently freed convict, Martha Stewart. I couldn't help but wonder, how do they compare?

Well, there are the obvious differences. One host is male and the other is female. One host is ugly in the old rich man kind of way, and the other is Donald Trump. The businesses themselves provide different goods and services. But how different are the shows themselves? The short answer: not much.

The format is almost identical: there are challenges that test each player's business know-how, there are disputes and dis-



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One of these things is not like the other ... give up? Here's a hint: one of them is ugly in the rich old man kind of way, and the other is Donald Trump. They both host nearly identical shows on NBC.

agreements and of course there is boardroom drama up the wahoo. Candidates that perform poorly on challenges are taken to the boardroom where they plead their case and possibly, even inevitably, get fired.

The original "Apprentice" was an interesting study in personal narcissism on the part of Trump and in the drive of people to succeed no matter what.

So ... why do we need to see the same thing two nights in a row? Do we really need Martha? Couldn't they just show re-runs? The ratings would be just as high.

But don't get me wrong, I'm not saying either version, Martha's or Donald's, is superior to the other. It is impossible for them to be because—and I can't emphasize this enough—they are the same show. Even the final prize is the same morally ambiguous dream package of a position in the company and a hefty six-figure income.

All this is on top of the fact that they air at the same time only a day apart (Wednesday and Thursday at 8 p.m., respectively).

The only thing I can really think of that separates these two shows is the boardroom conduct

of the hosts. Trump, while tough and stoic, always lends a somewhat jovial air to the proceedings, like an extremely wealthy Ghost of Christmas Present.

On the other hand, Martha, as you might expect, comes across as quite cold and calculating. Even her firing "catchphrase" seems unfeeling and cruel: "You just don't fit in." It's like grade school kickball all over again.

My advice is that you should watch either one "Apprentice" or the other. If you caught one of these shows in the middle, you wouldn't even be able to tell the difference.

I tried, but can't get into Mel Gibson's pants



Mike Ryan
Entertainment Writer

I was faced with a dilemma last Thursday: What do I do when the opening band is much, much better than the headliner?

Granted, it has happened before, but at Blue Devil Production's latest show it was really puzzling.

I tried desperately to get into Mel Gibson and the Pants. I tried to appreciate their head vocalist's adequate rapping skills and above-average indie/alternative backbeats, but I just couldn't. Independently, both

sounds—indie/alternative and hip hop—weren't bad at all, but when blended, the results were something like Linkin Park's rhyme schemes mixed with an unplugged version of P.O.D.'s "Fundamental Elements of Southtown."

I looked with a kind of sadness at those audience members who were automatically nodding their heads in response to this marginal group. Hard to believe, but these people were actually enjoying the songs, probably because they incorporated what was presumably "underground" rap with alternative.

I've given this some thought, and the only explanation I can find is what I'll call the Confused Posier Theorem: "Hey, I like indie, and indie kids like Atmosphere. Therefore, if

a band mixes indie music (The Pants) with hip-hop (Mel Gibson?), then the outcome must be a dream-combination of two sounds, both of which are acceptable in the world of indie rock. I must consequently appreciate the group based on what they stand for."

This idea, however, fails to take into account whether Mel Gibson and the Pants was good.

On the other hand, Digitata did very well; they were a breath of fresh air that I was trying to hold in through the remainder of the evening.

With a sound striking some distinct resemblances to Vox Vermillion—another recent visitor to UW-Stout—Digitata brought more of a breezy synth-pop sound, at times reminiscent of Depeche Mode, and

mixed it frequently with dreamy Wurlitzer riffs.

Coupled with the electric organ were driving drum beats, both synthesized and live, that brought nearly all of their songs together and added an aggressive touch. Most of their songs were catchy; I could have listened to their opener alone for hours. Their instrumentals were tight and their choruses were unbelievably well done, forcing me at times to just listen to the array of sounds going on.

Digitata, who has been together for only a year and a half, was playing songs off of their most recent record. Overall, while I only really liked Digitata, the crowd seemed to enjoy the show. There was something for everybody with the two contrasting styles of music.

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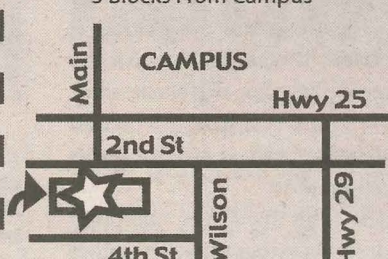
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Closer towards censorship



Ami Kriho

Entertainment Writer

It is known that the government and the video game industry mix about as well as drinking and driving.

Unfortunately, that doesn't stop certain officials from reaching for an extra glass of censorship.

On July 25, just after the Hot Coffee uproar, Illinois Gov. Rod Blagojevich signed the first law that prohibits the sale of adult-rated video games to minors. It will take effect Jan. 1, 2006.

The law bans the sale and rental of violent and sexually explicit video games to children younger than 18.

Retailers who violate the ban commit a petty offense and face a fine of \$1,000.

Stores will also be required to do what the Entertainment Software Rating Board (ESRB) already does: label their games with content ratings and post signs explaining the rating system.

On Sept. 12, Michigan Gov. Jennifer Granholm signed a pair of very similar bills. Another similar bill was almost passed as a law in North Carolina, but a turf issue arose and put the bill on the backburner, at least for the rest of this year.

And on Oct. 7, California Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger, famous for his image in movies as well as video games, made the same decision his peers have made.

After sitting on the bill for nearly a month under constant and persevering pressure from his peers, Gov. Schwarzenegger signed Assembly Bill 1179.

"The bill I signed will require that violent video games be clearly labeled and not be

sold to children under 18 years old," said Gov. Schwarzenegger. The laws in all three states will become effective Jan. 1, 2006. "Many of these games are made for adults and choosing games that are appropriate for kids should be a decision made by their parents."

"By signing this common-sense bill into law, the governor joined our medical professionals and our parents in putting our children's best interests first," said Assemblyman Leland Yee who originally created the bill.

Yee goes on to say, "Although the governor and I don't always agree, we are both fathers and understand the importance of raising healthy kids. California parents will now have a vital tool in helping them raise their children."

"Studies prove that playing these violent video games are bad for kids' mental and physical health," said Jim Steyer, founder of Common Sense Media, a non-profit organization of 750,000 regular users dedicated to improving children's media lives. "The health threat involved with kids playing such games is equivalent to smoking cigarettes."

The video game industry, however, isn't sitting on its hand about this issue.

They are fighting back under the claim that these laws would be unconstitutional and violate free speech.

In the past, similar laws have been ruled unconstitutional in the federal court under the fact that they violate the First Amendment.

The particular bill that was in Gov. Schwarzenegger's hands was under the influence of the unproven evidence that "interactive" video games are more damaging to the mind and body compared to other "inactive" forms of entertainment, such as movies.

For instance, it claims in Section 1, Part b that "Even minors who do not commit acts of violence suffer psychological

harm from prolonged exposure to violent video games."

"We are disappointed that politicians of both parties chose to toss overboard the First Amendment and free artistic and creative expression in favor of political expediency," said Douglas Lowenstein, President of the Entertainment Software Association (ESA).

"AB 1179 is punitive against retailers, will waste limited taxpayer dollars and will be struck down by the courts," Lowenstein goes on to say. "Parents will be no better off for this effort to damage one of the state's fastest growing and most exciting industries that is providing some of the most compelling entertainment in the world today."

The ESA claims that bills such as these are used to "substitute the government's judgment for parental supervision and turn retailers into surrogate parents."

They also claim that it is unfair to censor video games differently than other forms of constitution-protected work such as books, movies and music.

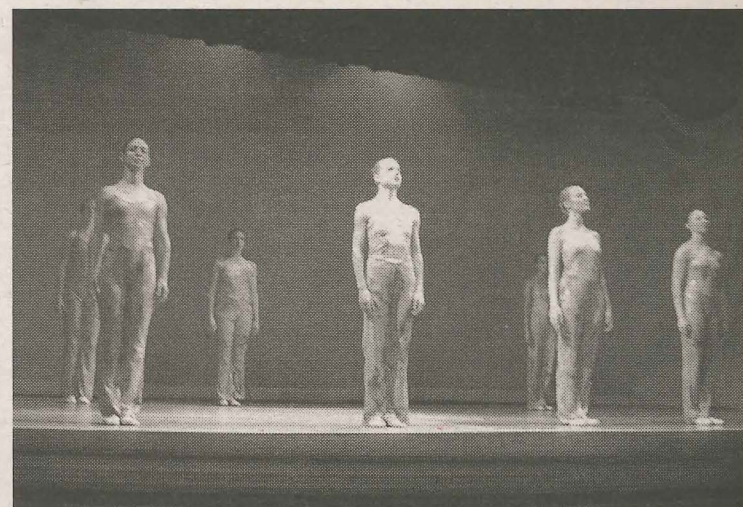
The ESA seeks to file a lawsuit against the government of California on this issue, just as they did with Michigan and Illinois, encouraging the new law to be overturned.

The Video Software Dealers Association (VSDA) joins the ESA in the fight. According to VSDA President Bo Anderson, not only does the new law represent a violation of the First Amendment, but "provides no meaningful standards to know which materials are covered."

Under A.B. 1179, juries would be called on to decide, on a case-by-case basis, whether a particular video game meets the definition of a "violent video game."

One jury may find that a particular game is a violent video game and another jury may find that it is not.

Thus, no one could ever know with certainty whether a particular game would be found to be a violent video game."



Natalie Rathmann/Stoutonia

The American National Ballet of Duluth performed their acclaimed "Romance and Love" at the Mabel Tainter last Saturday.

Graceful and charming Ballet at the Mabel Tainter fun for all



Natalie Rathmann

Entertainment Writer

The lights were lit and glowing Saturday night at the Mabel Tainter Memorial Theater as the audience eagerly awaited the American National Ballet's performance: "Romance and Love."

The American National Ballet began in Duluth, Minn., in 2002, started by Armando Maldonado and is the largest dance organization in Minnesota. Maldonado has produced 42 critically acclaimed works unlike anything that has been experienced or created before.

Maldonado was nominated for the 2004 Duluth Hall of Fame and Strathmore's "Who's Who" of the Library of Congress, an organization that recognizes prominent accomplishments in the arts. He was also nominated for the 2005 Lab awards, which celebrates emerging entrepreneurs, for the development of the ballet.

The evening began with a duet dance, entitled "Flower Festival," a graceful depiction of young love. The dancers demonstrated grace and lightness in this challenging duo despite the difficulty of lifts and unique formations between the two.

The second act of the night was entitled "Verdi's Songs." This act was a mix of opera and voices exhibiting those of sopranos, tenors and mezzo-sopranos and had a much more intense feel to it. As the voices intensified, so did the dancers' move-

ments. The dancers expressed a great deal of emotion during this affectionate, inspiring show.

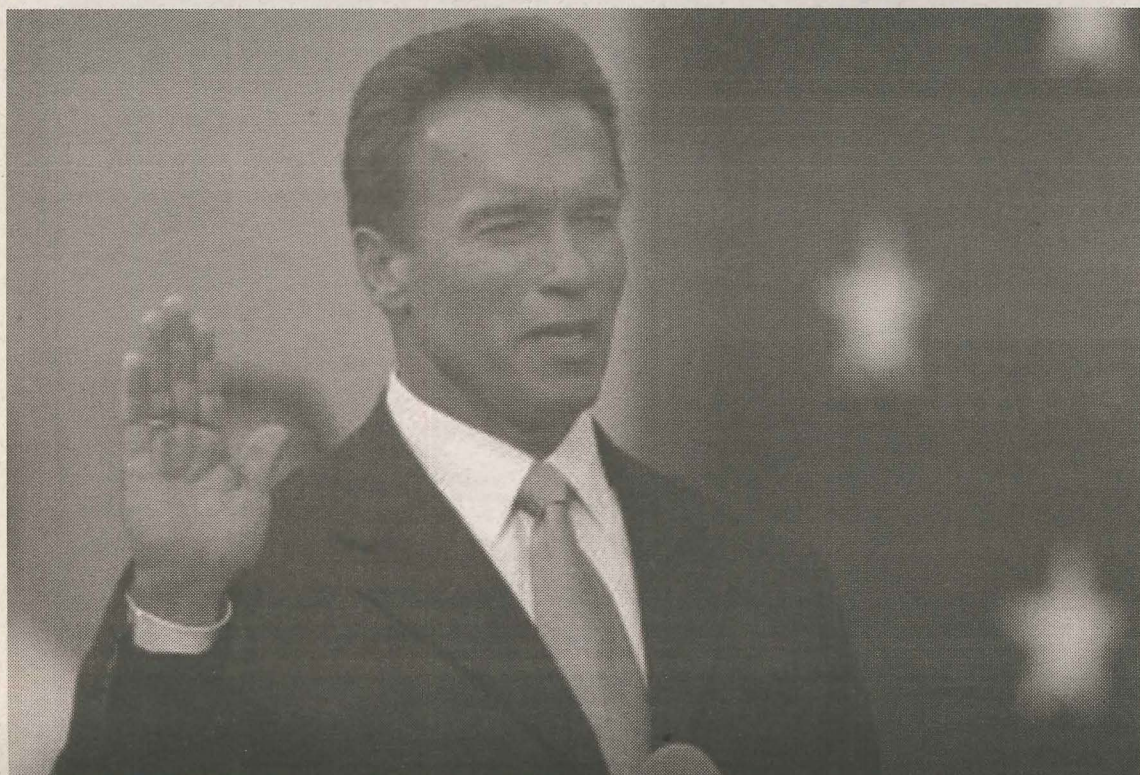
The last act of the evening which was the highlight of the night was entitled "Celtic." This ballet portrayed a lot of the Irish Step, which is very fast-paced and upbeat. The audience members became entranced as the dancer's energy filled the theater.

The male dancers took on the dance of the Celtic warriors during which their feet pounded hard and heavy against the stage right along with the loud and intense beat of the drum. As the music became slower with the strings of the guitar, the female dancers radiated the stage with a fast paced ensemble demonstrating the quick movement of their feet.

This week's upcoming performance for Friday, Oct. 14, at the Mabel Tainter consists of the Menomonie Five, a group of Menomonie singers and musicians. They will be performing music from the genres of folk and popular music of the 60s, 70s and today. Performance starts at 8 p.m. and is \$8 for adults and \$6 for seniors and students.

Saturday, Oct. 15, Neal and Leandra will be performing. This singer/songwriter duo takes in the delight of everyday life with their combination of simple truths and beautiful mixes of stories, love and laughter. Performance starts at 8 p.m. and is \$18 for adults and \$16 for seniors and students.

Sunday, Oct. 16, Mary Ann Balduf will indulge you with her delightful organ performance. Balduf is one of Midwest's most established organ performers. Performance starts at 2 p.m. and is \$8 for adults and \$6 for seniors and students.



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On October 7, California Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger signed Assembly Bill 1179, requiring violent video games to be clearly labeled and not sold to anyone under the age of 18.

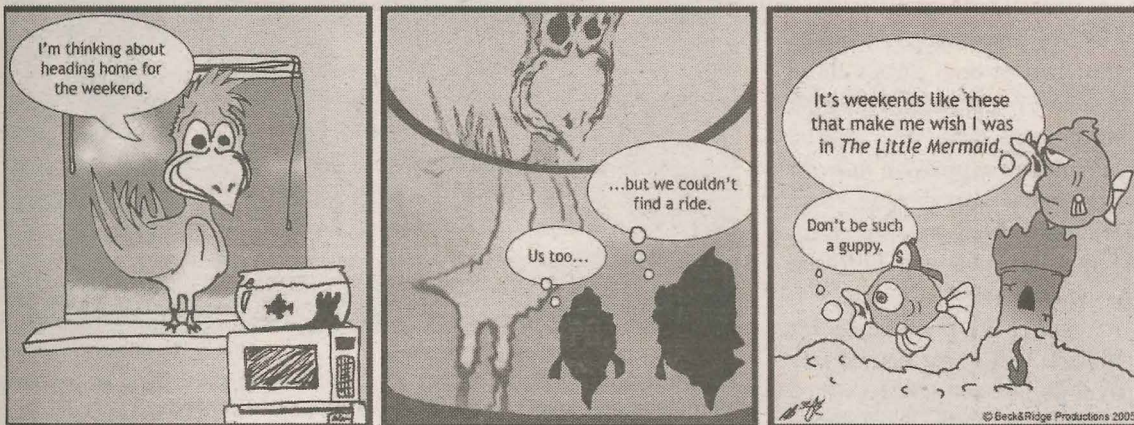
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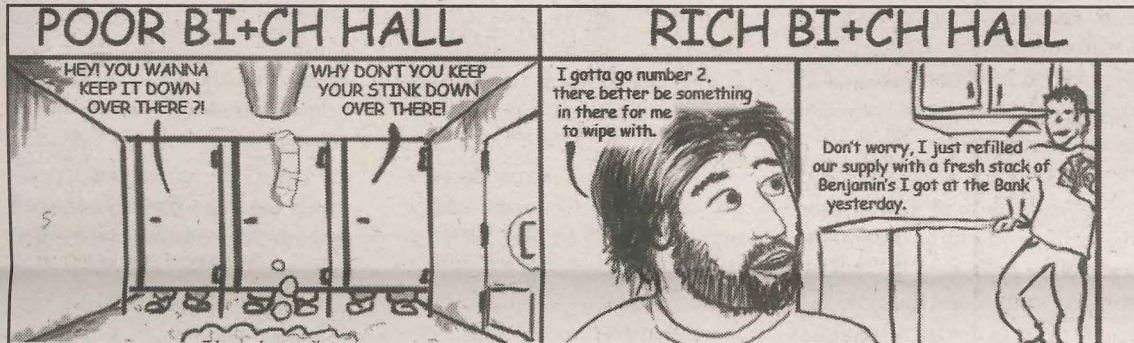
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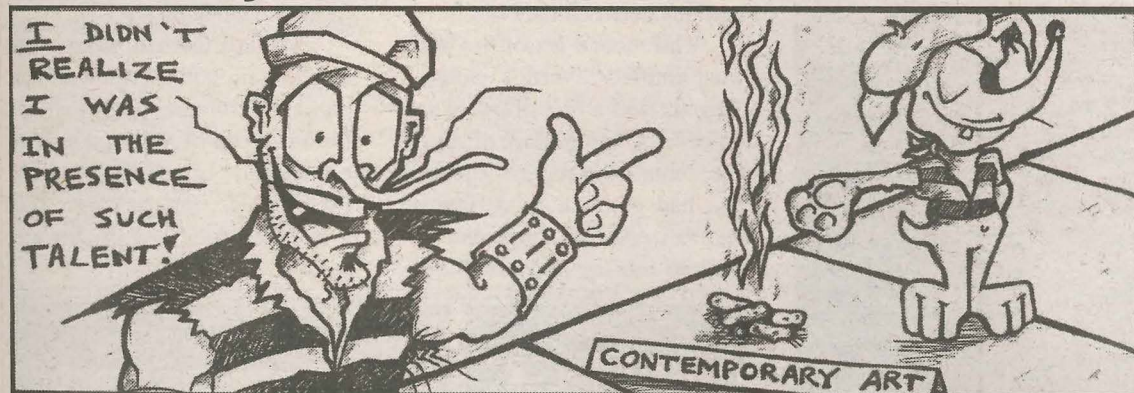
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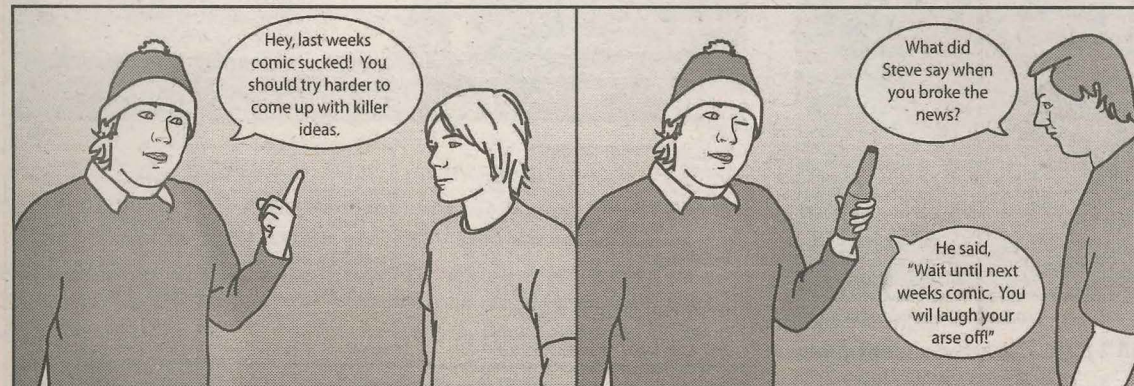
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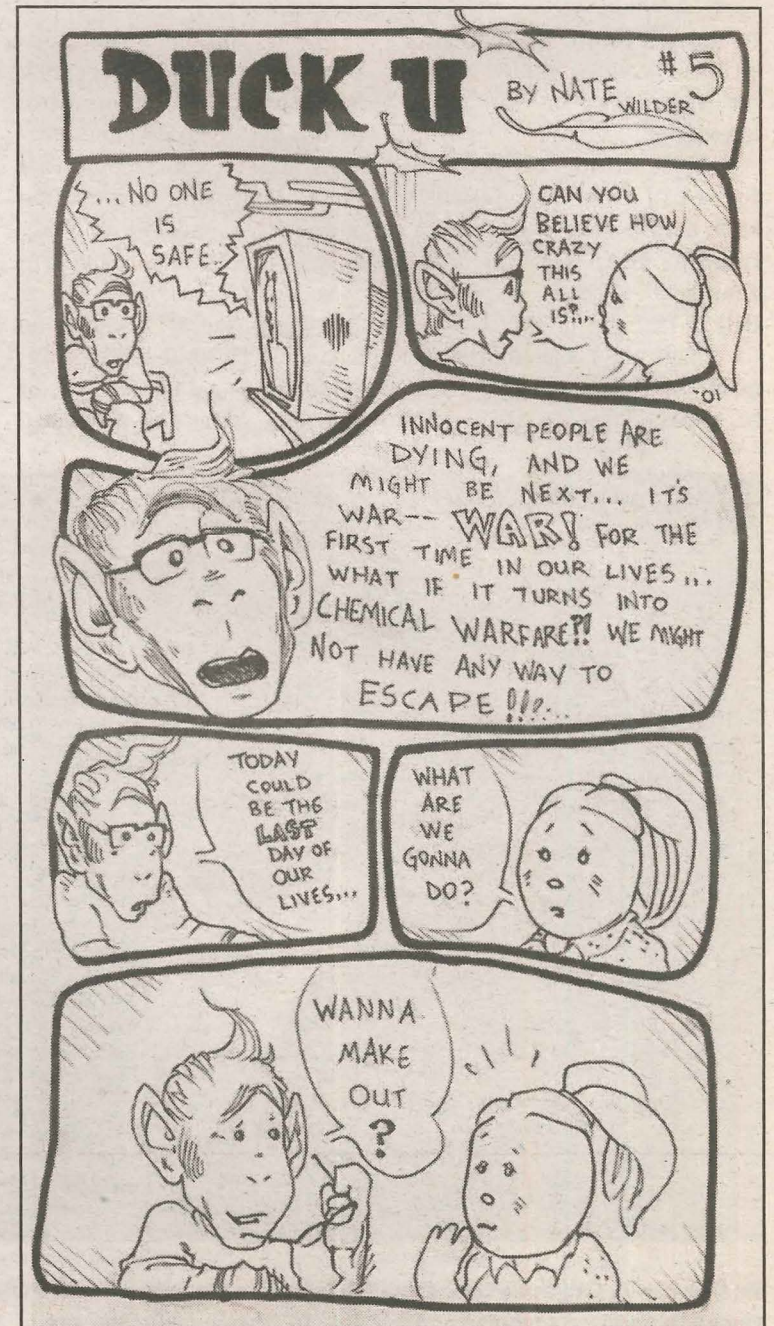
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Blue Devil rugby wraps its season

By Rachel Wick
Sports Editor

The University of Wisconsin-Stout women's rugby team will wrap up its season this Saturday in Madison as the team takes on the University of Wisconsin-Parkside in the consolation round of the third weekend of the rugby playoffs.

Although the team is currently 0-5, Sarah Roth, a third year member of the team, isn't discouraged by their record.

"I think that we have a good chance to add a win to that record on Saturday," said Roth.

While Saturday marks the end of the team's season, their off-season begins in February and continues into May.

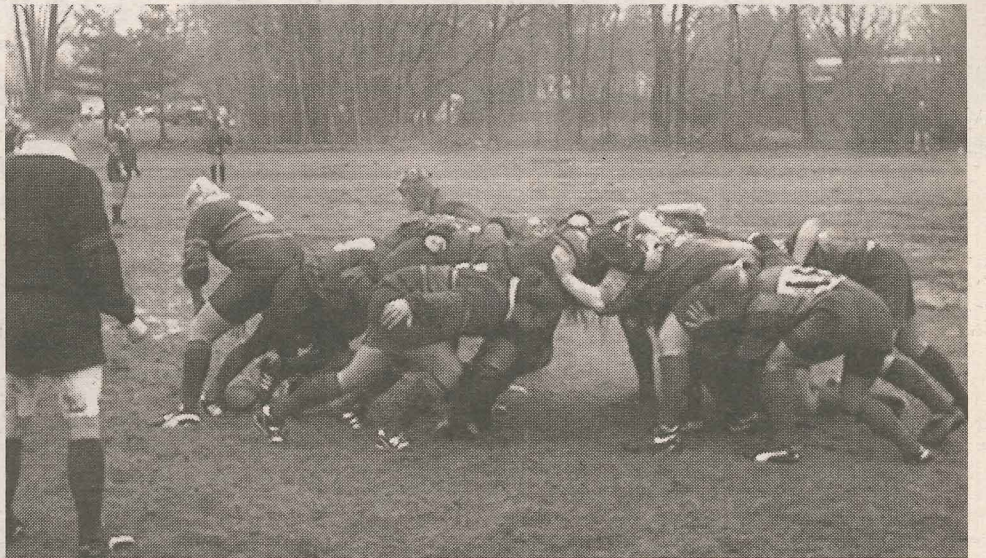
The team begins practicing indoors but moves outside once the weather permits.

"Overall, I am very satisfied with our season," said team president Megan Keenan. "We had a very good turn out and we have really improved individually and collectively as a team. I have high hopes for the spring season."

According to Roth, the best time to join the team is during the off-season because there is more time to get familiar with the sport, the players on the team and the competition. The team also typically competes in about three tournaments beginning in April.

"We really encourage girls to check out rugby in the spring

and join because it is a little more laid back and we have more time to teach the game before tournaments begin," said Roth. "Rugby is a really good opportunity for girls to stay in shape and play a competitive sport throughout college."



Courtesy of Sarah Roth

The University of Wisconsin-Stout women's rugby team will conclude its season this weekend in Madison. The team will take on the University of Wisconsin-Parkside

STOUTONIA'S Athlete OF THE Week

In spite of Saturday's 34-27 loss to the University of Wisconsin-Oshkosh, University of Wisconsin-Stout's place kicker Evan Larsen recorded a memorable game for the Blue Devils.

Larsen kicked a career-best 48-yard field goal late in the first half and followed it up with a 38-yard kick late in the fourth quarter to tie the game at 27-27. For his efforts, Larsen was named to the D3football.com Team of the Week.

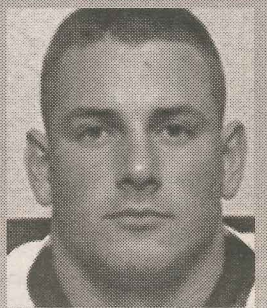
So far this season, Larsen is tied for fifth place on the UW-Stout football team's all-time scoring list after having tallied 158 points.

Larsen will have the opportunity to add to his points on Saturday as the Blue Devils (4-1, 1-1) take on rivals University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire Saturday at Carson Park in Eau Claire with the game kicking off at 1 p.m. The game is the Blugold's homecoming game.

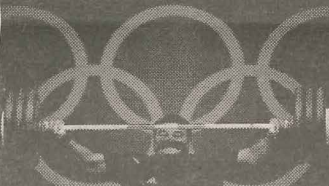
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Larsen scored a career best 48-yard field goal during Saturday's game against UW-Oshkosh.



Evan Larsen
Football



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The MLB playoff quest travels onward



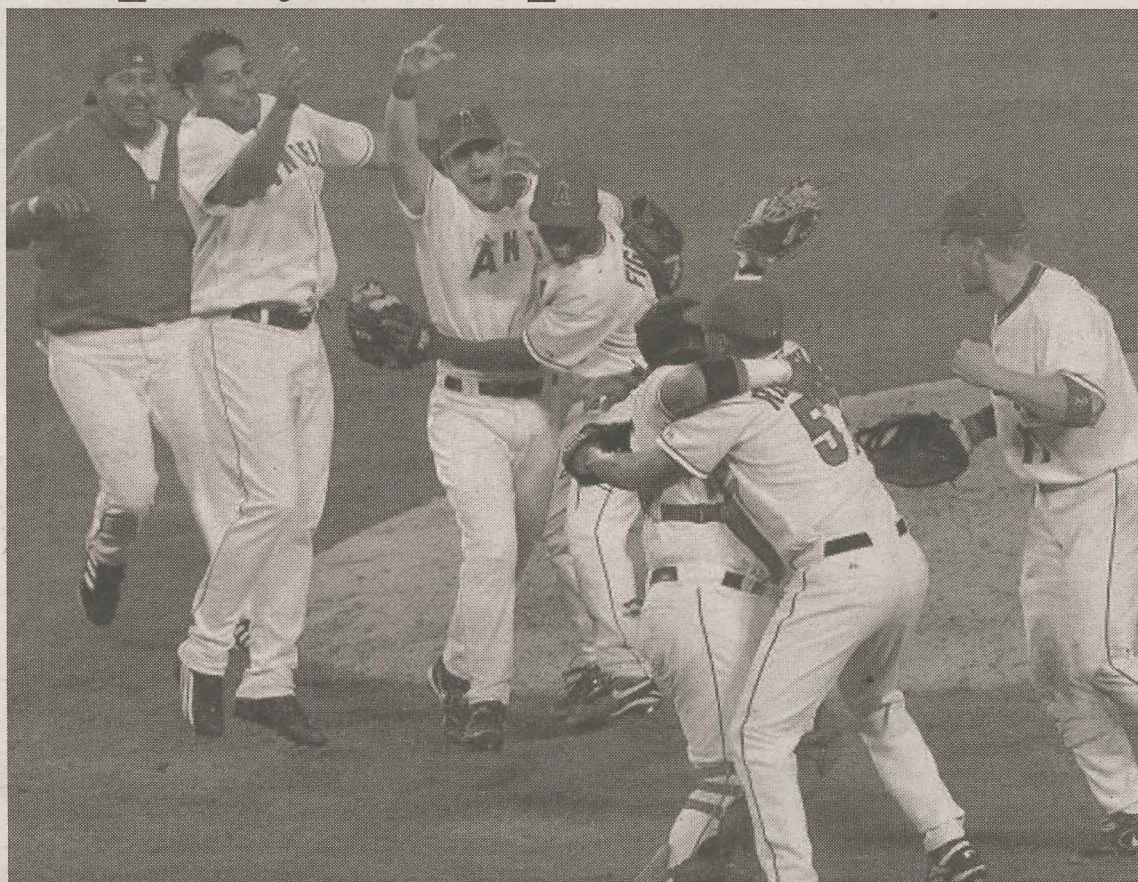
Matt Edison
Columnist

Three words: "Hunt for October." No, I am not talking about the movie starring Sean Connery, but rather the most anticipated month for Major League Baseball fans.

There are a couple new teams in the hunt this year. It started out with eight teams in the beginning: Chicago White Sox, Boston Red Sox, Atlanta Braves, Houston Rockets, New York Yankees, Los Angeles Angels, San Diego Padres and St. Louis Cardinals.

This year there was going to be some great match ups, but boy did we see some upsets, too. As the Chicago White Sox were trying to win their first World Series in over eighty years, the Los Angeles Angels beat the 2005 World Series Champions Boston Red Sox in a clean sweep of 3-0. Manny Ramirez hit two homeruns in the third game to keep the Red Sox alive, but that wasn't enough as Paul Konerko hit a home run to make it a 4-3 game.

David Ortiz (also known as Big Papi), last year's MVP in the World Series, will not be able to show off his magic again this year, as the Red Sox were defeated in



Source: www.mlb.com

The Los Angeles Angels celebrating their victory over the New York Yankees and will continue in the quest for a run at the World Series.

the first round playoffs.

History was set for the longest playoff game ever this season with a time of 5 hours, 50 minutes when the Houston Astros took on the Atlanta Braves. Since the Astros held a 2-1 lead in series, the Braves needed the win in order to dodge elimination. The game was a battle to the finish. Each team's bullpens were practically empty

at the top of the 18th inning when Chris Burke blasted the game-winning home run and delivered the Astros the National League Championship Series.

The San Diego Padres didn't have much to show against the St. Louis Cardinals, and were shut out in the series 3-0. The Cardinals were the League Champions last year and are coming with a

vengeance this season.

The Cardinals will take on the Houston Astros and will be fortunate enough to have the added home field advantage.

Then there were the New York Yankees, who have won more than half of the World Series and who have made history over and over again. Not to mention that they are the highest paid

team in the MLB. Believe it or not, they are in the playoffs for the 12th year in a row.

This year the Yankees took on the Los Angeles Angels and the Angels had the home field advantage in their bag of tricks.

This series was the closest of all of them this year, and where the Yankees won the first game in Los Angeles. This meant that both games scheduled at Yankee Stadium were going to get played.

Game five was the most critical game of them all, since whichever team earned the win advanced to the next round. The Angels put on a show beating the Yankees at their home stadium.

There were many opportunities that night for the Yankees to score. They left the bases loaded two times during the game.

Unfortunately for the Yankees, Alex Rodriguez and Hideki Matsui went 0-for-4 in hits on the night, but Derek Jeter came up huge going 3-for-4. I have a feeling that some of the New York Yankee's star players will not be returning to Yankee Stadium next season.

You would think that a team like the New York Yankees wouldn't have any trouble making it to the World Series.

This proves the fact that anything can happen during the MLB playoffs and as we all know, it usually does.

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ner at the Metrodome will have legitimate BCS aspirations.

You heard me, I said BCS. Believe it. Sure, Wisconsin is coming off an embarrassing defensive performance at Northwestern in a 51-48 loss last week, but the Big Ten schedule is too tough and balanced this year to make it through undefeated and at least one slip-up is bound to happen.

Just look at Minnesota: Two weeks ago, it lost by four touchdowns to Penn. State only to come back and beat Michigan in Ann Arbor for the first time since back in 1986.

A 6-2 record in the Big Ten could very well tie for or take the championship outright. In fact, I'm predicting that at this point,

So with an expected sellout of 64,000 people (probably 20,000 of which will be wearing red) and championship dreams still alive for both teams, the two border rivals will play for an axe that has been up for grabs every year since 1948 (before that the teams played for a slab of bacon).

At around 3:00 p.m. Saturday, one team will parade around college football's most famous traveling trophy for thousands of adoring fans on national TV. Heck, 2005 could end up being the most

important border battle of them all.

What do I see in my crystal ball? Well, I got out of the prediction business shortly after I went on record saying that the band Green Day would be solely a one-hit wonder.

I do, however, forecast that good old Goldy will get in one or more fist fights with Bucky Badger on the sidelines and there will be at least 10 Badger fans that get so incredibly drunk they miss their ride home, but I guarantee that they won't forget every sports fan's treasured item: their big foam finger. Hey, I guess some things will never change.

Sports Briefs

University of Wisconsin-Stout women's volleyball team improved to 13-10 at last weekend's University of Wisconsin-Oshkosh Pizza Hut Classic.

Jenny McDermid finished with 12 kills and was named to the all-tournament team for the Blue Devils, while Lacey Bunkleman tallied 11 kills for the tournament.

UW-Stout dominated Marian College at the start of the day Saturday (30-21, 30-20, 30-16) before the Titans downed the Blue Devils (30-24, 30-28, 30-24).

During the first day of the tournament the Blue Devils defeated North Central College 3-0 before falling dropping a 3-0 match to UW-Oshkosh.

Jodie Czech, Michelle Hohl, Katie Brott, Jackie Duchec and Danielle Farchmin each picked up singles wins on Saturday as the UW-Stout women's tennis team defeated Marian College 7-2 in Fond Du Lac. Czech and Farchmin also earned a No. 2 doubles victory for the team.

The Blue Devils No. 3 duo of Jeriann Hurlburt and Amy Kledzik also snagged wins over Marian College.

Later in the day the team defeated Ripon College 6-3. On Friday, the team traveled to Oshkosh and downed the

University of Wisconsin-Oshkosh 5-4.

The Blue Devils are currently 6-5 on the year and of recent have posted a four game winning streak.

Czech and Farchmin were named the doubles' players of the week, while Czech also picked up the singles honors.

The UW-Stout football team (4-1, 1-1) suffered its first loss of the season on Saturday when the University of Wisconsin-Oshkosh dealt them a 34-27 loss.

Coty Watkins led all of UW-Stout's rushers with 67 yards on 15 carries, while Andy Reese tacked on 30 yards on 13 carries in his first game back after being out due to injury. Evan Larsen was named to the D3football.com team of the week for contributing a pair of significant field goals for the Blue Devils.

Michelle Lizotte, Kelly Stolarczyk and Kelsey Kelming each scored goals Sunday as the University of Wisconsin-Stout women's soccer team shut out the University of Minnesota-Morris 3-0 at Nelson Field to improve to 6-2-2 this season.

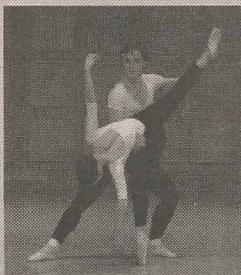
The Blue Devils out shot UM-Morris 15-10 on the day as UW-Stout's goalies Charla Buxbaum and Katie Thompson combined for five saves.

UW-Stout Arts & Lecture Series and WQOW TV 18 presents Five By Design "Radio Days"

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BLUE DEVIL SCOREBOARD

FOOTBALL (4-1)

34-27 FINAL

UW-Stout suffered its first loss of the year as UW-Oshkosh took the 34-27 victory.

The Blue Devils will take on UW-Eau Claire this Saturday



CROSS COUNTRY

Both the men's and women's cross country teams will compete on Saturday at the UW-Superior Invitational



TENNIS (6-5)

4-0 ON THE WEEK

The team went undefeated in its four matches this past week

Next Match:

The Blue Devils will host UW-Stevens Point on Saturday



SOCCER (6-2-2)

1-1 FOR THE WEEK

The Blue Devils defeated UM-Morris but was downed by Illinois Wesleyan.

The team plays UW-La Crosse on Friday and UW-Platteville this Saturday



VOLLEYBALL

(13-11)

The volleyball team went 2-2 for the week

Next Match:

The Blue Devils will host UW-Stevens Point on Friday



BATTLE FOR THE AXE



Photo Illustration by Brad Birling/Stoutonia

By Bryan Horwath

Sports Writer

The annual football game between the University of Minnesota and the University of Wisconsin-Madison is always a hard-fought game with bragging rights on the line.

Hey, you don't get to be the most played Division I-A football rivalry in the history of the NCAA without a meaningful and colorful tradition, this particular one dating back to 1890.

The fact of the matter, is that for many of those 114 meetings, one team or the other (not to mention both) was not in contention for the Big Ten championship.

That's right college football fans, this hasn't exactly always been a Michigan vs. Ohio St. caliber rivalry with seemingly every Rose Bowl bid being decided by the outcome.

This year is a little different than most. On Saturday, for only the fifth time in the two schools' long and storied history, the Gophers and Badgers will meet while each is nationally ranked.

Minnesota is one spot ahead of Wisconsin in both the Associated Press and Coaches Poll at No.22 this week. The last time that happened was in 1999 when the Badgers nipped the Gophers 17-14 in overtime.

If you remember right, that

was the year that Wisconsin went on to win the Big Ten and defeat Stanford in the Rose Bowl. Had Minnesota won that game—which they probably should have—it would have been the Gophers heading to Pasadena that year.

Could history be repeating itself six years later? It's way too early to tell, but it wouldn't be a stretch to say that this year's edition of the battle for Paul Bunyan's Axe is one of the most meaningful of the entire series.

Consider: Both teams are 5-1 overall, 2-1 in the Big Ten, and trail only Penn. State in the conference standings; both teams had huge wins earlier this season over Michigan; both teams

have Heisman Trophy hopeful running backs and the winner of Saturday's game will likely enjoy a top 15 ranking come Sunday.

Both teams have high-powered offenses capable of scoring with the best of them with the Gophers' being led by all-world running back Laurence Maroney and Wisconsin enjoying the services of a surprising transfer from Colorado, Brian Calhoun.

With preseason conference favorites Iowa, Michigan, Ohio State and Purdue all recording disappointing seasons so far (some more than others) and a young Penn. State team unlikely

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2nd Annual Blue Devil 5K

By Rachel Wick

Sports Editor

The philosophy of the University of Wisconsin-Stout running club is "to foster a strong camaraderie amongst runners in the UW-Stout community regardless of skill level and experience by promoting running as a positive, accessible activity," and in going with this belief will team with the University Recreation to host the 2nd annual Blue Devil 5K on Saturday Oct. 22.

"We've always wanted to put on a 5K for Stout students and the community and we thought that homecoming would be a good time because a lot of the alumni come back," said Keenan. "The first year was a really big success."

There were 85 participants in last year's race and its organizers are estimating that there will be over one hundred people who come out for this year's event. There are currently approximately 10 people registered for the race, but Keenan thinks that should increase substantially.

"I think that we're going to have a good turnout and probably more than last year," said Keenan.

According to Keenan, the 5K is open to alumni, members of the

that doesn't vary on whether the individual has an affiliation with UW-Stout. The fee does vary according to when people register. The fee is \$15 before Oct. 14, \$20 after Oct. 14 and \$25 the day of the race. The registration fee includes participation in the race, a t-shirt and brownies from Legacy

the race went to U-Rec, but this year part of the proceeds will go to Bridge of Hope with the remainder going to U-Rec.

"It changes every year who gets the money," said Keenan.

The race begins at 9:30 a.m. in back of the Johnson Fieldhouse on Third Street East and will meander around the Red Cedar River and Lake Menominee for the 3.1 mile stretch.

Racers can opt to either run or walk the 5K, and, according to Keenan, there was a good mix of runners and walkers during the first year of the event.

"We had some really good runners that finished it in under 24 minutes and we had walkers who finished in about an hour," said Keenan.

Those who are interested in participating can either register and pay the fee at the Intramural office located in room 41 of the Sports and Fitness Center, or can get the entry form off of the U-Rec website at <http://www.uwstout.edu/univrec/events/index.html> and send it in with their payment. Entries can also be faxed to (715) 232-5191.



Menomonie community, UW-Stout students, faculty and staff as well as interested parties from the Eau Claire area.

"It's open to pretty much anybody," said Keenan.

The registration is a set fee

Chocolates that will be served after the race. There will also be a raffle, door prizes and awards given to the top three male and female finishers in each age group.

Last year the proceeds from

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Plans for the future of UW-Stout

By Jessica Boe
News Writer

There is a new buzzword around campus: Focus 2010. Exactly what is Focus 2010? It is a set of goals and top priorities that the University of Wisconsin-Stout hopes to implement by the

year 2010. The goals and priorities were compiled during a summer 2005 retreat held by the Chancellor's Advisory Council Strategic Planning Committee.

"Students, faculty and staff are invited to the listening sessions held each fall to discuss these priorities," commented

Chancellor Sorensen, Provost and Vice Chancellor Julie Furst-Bowe and Vice Chancellor Diane Moen.

"Every comment that is made, whether it is from a student or staff member is looked at and recorded," said Sorensen.

The Focus 2010 goals are

to prepare alumni for success; to create a learning community that supports and encourages the engagement of its members in active learning; to achieve national leadership and excellence in educating students in the theory and application of a broad range of technologies; to strengthen the on-campus organization by focusing on UW-Stout's unique mission within the UW System; and to create a school outside a school enterprise that serves learners statewide, nationally and internationally.

Students may wonder if becoming involved with Focus 2010 is worth their time, since 2010 seems so far into the future and many current students will

have graduated by this year. The reality is that the first goal on the above list is something that will affect each student.

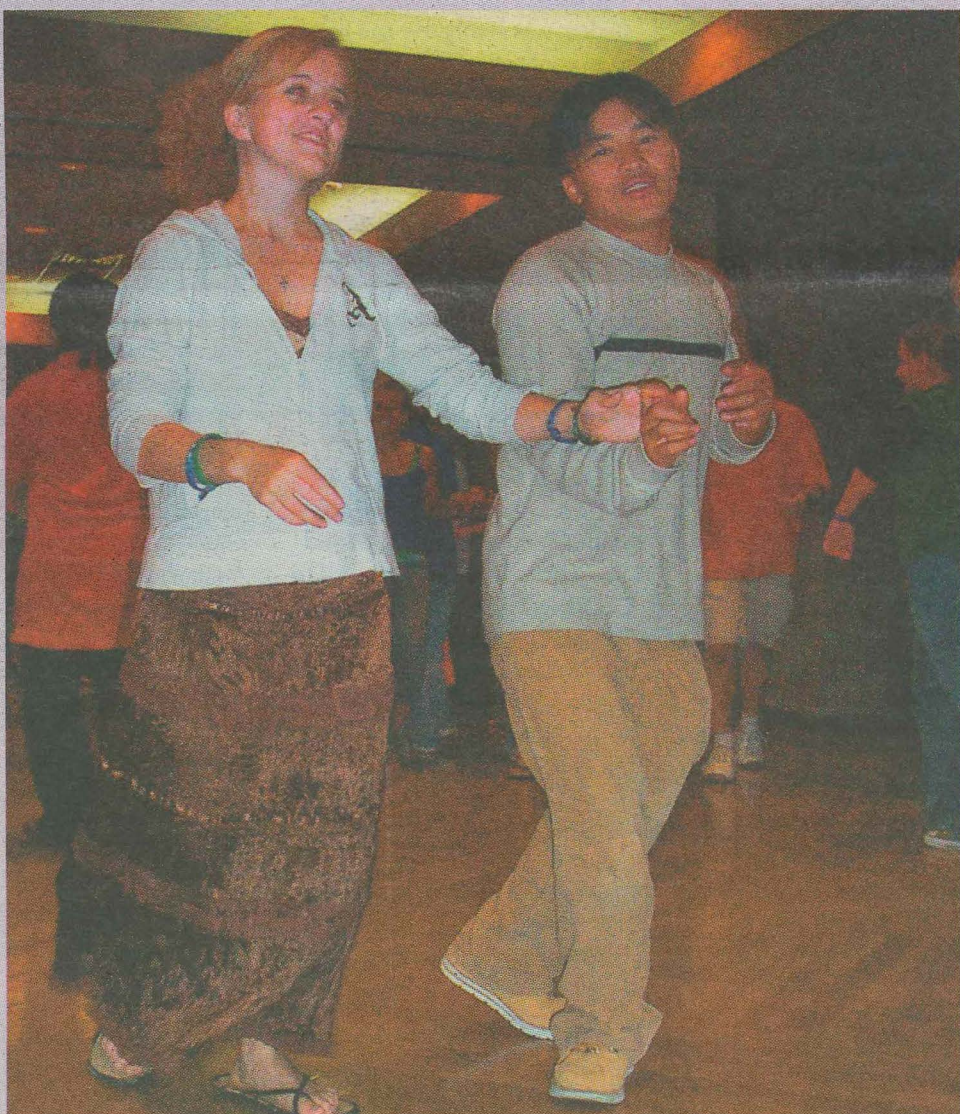
Students strive to succeed, and these goals are something being developed and implemented now.

"If we as students can positively affect the future of Stout and help future students, that is very powerful," said Vicky Zolp, a senior in graphic design.

Another element to consider is the name value of UW-Stout. Resumes that are worked on so diligently are branded with the institution in which you received your degree. These resumes will be carried into every interview

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Spicing it up with salsa



Marta Peters/Stoutonia

The Inter Residence Hall Association (IRHA) gave salsa dancing lessons for those eager to shake their booties. The lessons were enjoyed greatly by all who attended.

Budget cuts affect all

UW System faces biggest cuts since 1988

By Jessica Boe
News Writer

The University of Wisconsin-Stout has not been made immune to the biennial budget cuts that have swept the state. UW-Stout will receive a proportionate share of budget cuts amounting to \$1.7 million for 2005-2006.

According to the UW-Stout Budget Reduction Narrative 2005-2006, this amount is a combination of the administrative efficiency reduction, procurement savings, asset management and JFC reduction.

Institutions must make budget cuts that are mandated by the state, and this isn't something that can be easily negotiated. UW-Stout occupies only 115 acres, making it one of the smallest acreage institutions in the UW System.

UW-Stout has been facing problems with parking for years, so selling any land or facilities is an intangible option.

"Parking is already a problem that students complain about daily, selling off parking lots would eliminate the option of having a car at school," said Serena Suckow, a senior in service management.

"We are trying to maintain and protect core values of the institution," said Chancellor Charles Sorensen in response to the biggest budget cuts since 1988.

This includes the preserving of the teaching staff and student services.

"Throughout all of the cuts, only one layoff has resulted," said Vice Chancellor Diane Moen.

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New Internet cafe offers more than coffee

By Kristie Wilson
News Writer

A new Internet cafe, Sip and Surf, has opened up for business and is located next to Harvey Hall, where Sharon's Cheeses used to be located, as

well as where an upholstery store recently closed down.

Sip and Surf is a place where you can get away and take time to meet with your friends and colleagues. They will soon add couches and more coffee tables.

As of now, they have a few tables and chairs. It is a fairly small and quiet place, perfect for studying when the dorms or roommates get too noisy.

"It's a good place to come talk to your friends and eat,"

said Anne Tenorio, employee of Sip and Surf.

Sip and Surf has a lot to offer. You can go there to relax, drink coffee and surf the net. There is a free wireless Internet service for laptop users and the

cafe offers beginning computer courses. They offer math tutoring for any age, and also have a fax and copy machine and three computers set up. Sip and Surf

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Weather

Friday 10-21
53° / 37° Cloudy

Monday 10-24
45° / 28° Partly Cloudy

Saturday 10-22
46° / 29° Few Showers

Tuesday 10-25
47° / 36° Partly Cloudy

Wednesday 10-26
53° / 35° Showers

Sunday 10-23
43° / 30° Few Showers

Thursday 10-27
53° / 35° Scat. Showers

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that you have in the near future as well as into the future for many, many years to come.

"The SSA has been very active, well prepared and have asked good, hard questions," said Sorensen, who also commented that he was impressed with the organization.

Any student is welcome to join the SSA and would help serve as an asset to an outstanding organization.

More details about the Focus 2010 goals can be found at <http://www.uwstout.edu/bpa/focus2010/index2010.htm>.

The 2005 summer retreat resulted in a list of priorities that will be discussed at the sessions; these priorities are to achieve designation as a "polytechnic" institution and to create a curricular incubation center that supports new emerging technology programs to create a culture of affirmation inside and outside the classroom.

Another priority is implementing a school outside a school enterprise that serves learners statewide, nationally and internationally through distance learning and other delivery methods that will support technological academics.

Sessions for students

What	When	Where
Open session 1	October 26, 2005 8:30 a.m.	Millennium Hall room 205
Open session 2	October 27, 2005 8:30 a.m.	Micheels Hall room 290
Senate of Academic Staff	November 1, 2005 2:30 p.m.	MSC Ballroom B
Faculty Senate	November 1, 2005 3:30 p.m.	MSC Ballroom C
SSA (Stout Student Association)	November 1, 2005 7:00 p.m.	MSC Ced/Map/Oak
Open session 3	November 2, 2005 10:30 a.m.	Millennium Hall room 201
Open session 4	November 2, 2005 2:30 p.m.	Home Economics room 417
Open session 5	November 3, 2005 1:00 p.m.	Millennium Hall room 205

Students are welcome to attend all sessions.

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The cuts are reviewed before they are made, and decisions that directly affect students, faculty and staff are made after a consensus. One of the essential guidelines to be followed in this situation is to ensure that one area of the university isn't given the wrath of the budget cut.

"Budget reductions will be made broadly across the university," said Sorensen.

"This is one of the more efficient ways to afford such a cut, while maintaining key

services to students," said Sorensen.

He and Moen have cut positions in order to accommodate the reduction. One position included the Assistant Chancellor of Relations, who dealt with the public, marketing and promoting.

"This area is already spread thin," said Sorensen.

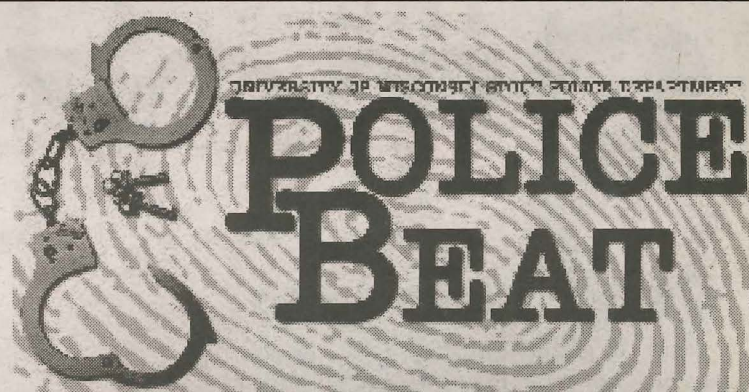
Anyone interested in hearing more about the budget or wanting to voice their opinion, is invited to join listening sessions that will be addressing this and the Focus

2010 goals, which include the 2005-2007 university priorities.

All faculty, staff and students are invited to participate in any session. Sessions are expected to last about one and a half hours. No registration is necessary.

To participate in the listening session, please review the university priorities online at <http://www.uwstout.edu/bpa/univprio/2005fall/index05.htm>.

Students can submit comments for the session message board at <http://www2.uwstout.edu/bpa/forum/default.asp>.



Citations for Sept. 28- Oct. 4

1 Citation for Misuse of Parking Services
4 Citations for 1st Offense Underage Drinking (UAD)
1 Citation for Public Urination

Serious seizure

EMS was dispatched to Jarvis Tech Wing upon the report of someone having a seizure. When an officer arrived on the scene, he observed a male student lying on the floor with a considerable amount of blood. The Menomone Fire and Rescue EMT attended to the student who is subject to epileptic seizures. According to his instructor, the student was sitting on a stool in class, when he began to bleed from his nose and then went into a seizure. He fell forward and landed on his face. The teacher then called 911. The student was combative and had to be confined in restraints, but was relaxed once he arrived at the emergency room.

smoke had cleared. There were no vents in the kitchen area, so this could be an ongoing problem if vents are not put in.

Breaking windows and laws

An officer was called to HKMC Hall for a criminal damage report. A female complainant stated she observed a male subject break a window outside of Milnes Hall. She stated the male was standing outside the window and yelled, "Ha Jeff!" and hit the window with his hand, causing the window to break. The complainant stated three other males who had not taken part in breaking the window accompanied the male. There are no suspects.

Crazy elevators

On four separate occasions this week, officers were called to Red Cedar Hall for 911 calls placed from the elevators. In all of the cases, no one was found in or around the elevators.

The roof is on fire

Dispatch reported an apartment building on fire at 406 19th Ave West. Officers proceeded down to that location for traffic control. A location was found on campus for residents of the building to stay for safety. Young children, infants and adults were evacuated. Klassic Cab transported thirteen people to the Memorial Student Center.

Cooking can cause fire

The MFD was called to JTC after a fire alarm was set off in one of the kitchens in the dorm. Some females were cooking doughnuts and the smoke from the oils may have set it off. There was no fire and the

Smashing windows

University of Wisconsin-Stout personnel discovered a vehicle with the driver's side window smashed out. The owner was contacted and she told the police her purse and UW-Stout laptop backpack were missing. Her purse contained a MasterCard bank card, a checkbook and her StoutOne ID. She notified her bank and the ID office about her StoutOne card. The backpack was found by a Menomone Public Library employee. The contents of the bag had been strewn about the parking lot of the library. The student identified the contents and the bag to be hers. Her purse is still missing.

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wants to have a more relaxed setting so students enjoy coming to study, getting help with math or working on their computers.

Students don't have to worry about being in a school or a classroom setting, which creates an easy-going atmosphere.

They also opened to help people better understand their computers, including programs like Word and Excel.

"[It is] a little bit more [of a] relaxed atmosphere for students and people in the community as well," said Lystra Yates, owner of Sip and Surf.

Their menu includes huge muffins, doughnuts, cheesecake, coffee, tea, cappuccinos and lattes of all kinds. They also have a wide variety of other drinks, including hot chocolate, water, apple juice,

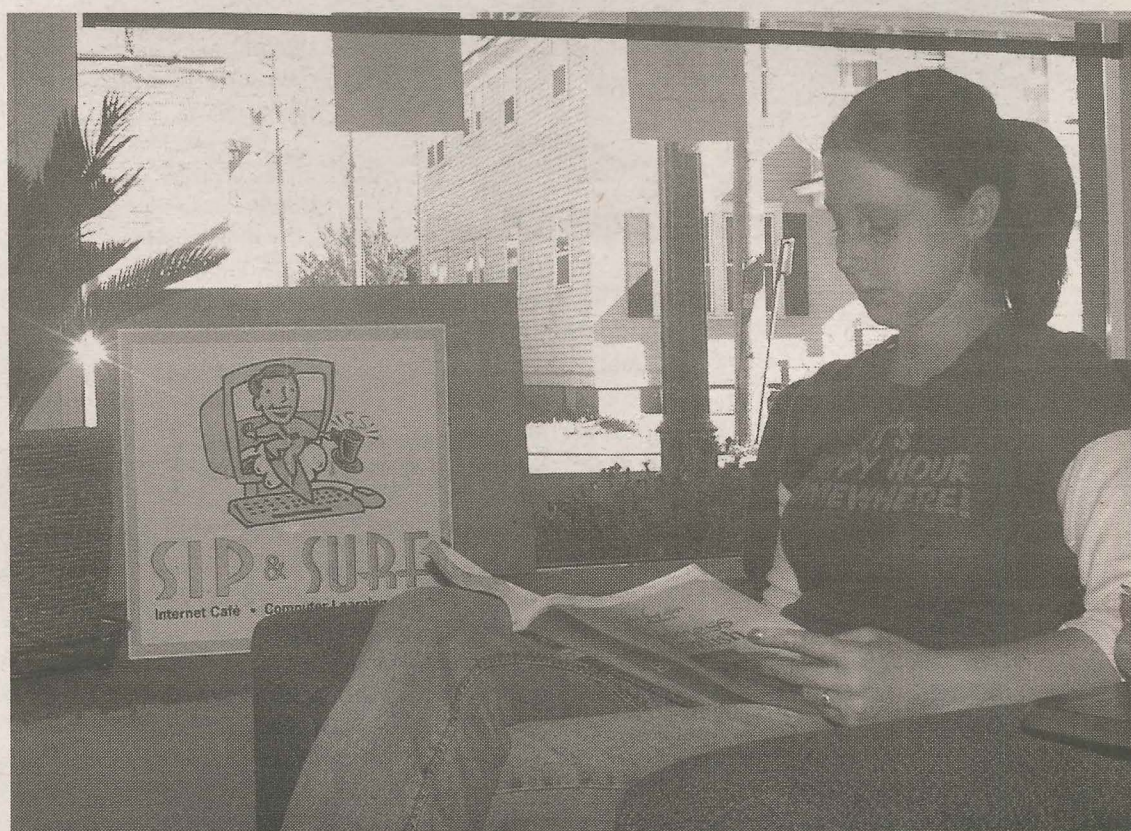
lemonade, Welch's juice and Coke products.

"The espressos are awesome," said Casey Rice, employee at Sip and Surf.

If you have any questions about the programs they offer, stop in and ask an employee.

Sip and Surf Hours

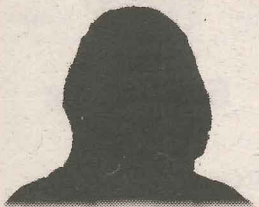
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Tuesday	7:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. 2:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.
Wednesday	7:30 a.m. - 9:00 p.m.
Thursday	7:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. 2:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.
Friday	7:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
Saturday	8:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
Sunday	Closed



Lindsey Schultdt/Stoutonia

The Sip and Surf Cafe is just opening but has big plans for the future. There are many new additions that will be coming to the cafe.

Make a difference with Focus 2010



Staff Editorial The Stoutonia Staff

If someone were to come up and ask you to tell him or her anything you knew about Focus 2010, what would you say?

Would you look at them with a blank stare, wondering what the heck they were talking about? Would you even care what they were talking about, or would you be able to tell them exactly what it was and why they should know too?

Unfortunately, it was the first of these that happened

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at The Stoutonia meeting when students were asked to give their opinions about Focus 2010.

This led to wondering how many people actually did know what Focus 2010 was and how many even cared to know anything about it.

Focus 2010 is a set of long-term goals which were discussed in campus sessions from 2003-2004.

For more information on Focus 2010, refer to the News section.

There have been past Focus sessions, and this year the attendance of the students, faculty and staff is being greatly encouraged. They want to get everyone involved, and they want to know everyone's opinion.

Students are welcome to attend any of these sessions, which are being held starting Oct. 26 and going through Nov. 3.

Most students felt like they would not attend any of these sessions. They felt that even if they did attend, their voice would not be heard, or if it was, it wouldn't count for anything.

This is what happened



Shawn Peter
Columnist

This past week, major history has been written in Iraq, and George W. Bush's vision for freedom in that country is prevailing.

In Bush's second inaugural speech on January 20, 2005, he highlighted that freedom is the only force that will stop tyranny and violence in foreign lands and will protect the liberty we enjoy in our country.

It does not matter if you agree with the war or not; the results are becoming crystal clear.

Nearly 90 percent of Iraqis are registered to vote.

Iraqis have a strong desire for peace and prosperity in their country and turned out in droves to decide their country's future by voting yes or no on

when the University of Wisconsin-Stout was considering the start of the laptop program. Some students on SSA felt that this was not something that should be brought to UW-Stout and spoke out against it.

Obviously, that didn't work. So, many now feel that it isn't even worth taking the time to get involved in things, whether they agree or disagree with them.

Another reason students are feeling this apathy is because they will not be here in the year 2010.

They feel that there is no point in them worrying about what will be happening here at that time, since

it will not be directly affecting them.

Even if you will not be here in 2010, other students will be and will be affected by this. We should at least try to start making a difference for them now.

Students are feeling apathetic because their voices aren't being heard. But their voices aren't being heard because they are feeling apathetic and don't try to get their voices heard.

It's just a big circle, and something needs to change.

Maybe if more people had spoken out against the laptop program, we wouldn't have it today.

There is really no way

of knowing for sure if your opinion will be heard or not if you don't actually attend and try to give it.

But if no one's opinion will be heard, or matter, why should anyone go?

Believe it or not, there is an incentive to going, even if your voice is not heard.

If you attend any of these sessions, you can at least say that you tried to make a difference.

If you do try, you now have a real reason and a right to complain about your voice not being heard

It's time to make a change, time for students to get more involved and time to be sure our voices count.



Bush's vision prevailing in Iraq

their constitution. Just look at the following quotes and judge for yourself the atmosphere of this event.

"Abdule Hussein Ahmed, 63, emerged from a polling station in the southern city of Najaf with his purple ink-stained finger aloft. 'Five members of my family were killed by Saddam and his people, but now with this constitution, everyone is equal under law.'" - *Washington Post* 10/16/05

"'Even if I had to crawl, I would come here,' said Musta Ahmed Yassin, 79, a retired construction worker who was leaning on his cane.'" - *USA Today* 10/17/05

"'Just to vote against was an amazing thing, and very important,' said Hanna Edward, a Baghdad resident who opposed the constitution.'" - *Washington Times* 10/17/05

"'When I came out of the polling center, I saw the group dancing. I was feeling great, having voted 'yes,' so I joined in,' said Ribwar Ali Murad, 25,

a Kurdish student at Mosul University. 'I am totally overjoyed with this day.'" - *Washington Post* 10/16/05

Just imagine not having the ability to decide your country's future. Iraq dealt with being ruled by tyranny and threatened by violence for the last thirty years.

The sense of joy for the future of the country is difficult for most of us to imagine because we never experienced the horrors of a tyrannical government.

In my search for information on this topic, I found topics on Iraq to be resoundingly negative. Is it because there are some negative events currently happening in Iraq? Sure.

Would the news media cover the voting process if there was an explosion or some horrific event? Most likely.

The truth is, there were no major attacks during the election this past weekend.

Out of the 1,200 polling stations, only one came under attack. Overall violence was

less than the election in January.

Voter turnout increased two percent; a 60 percent turnout compared to a 58 percent turnout of eligible voters in January. Iraqis, not Americans, are largely responsible for the bulk of security and ensuring proper handling of election materials.

Despite the fact that there are positive statistics in Iraq, does the media cover them?

Our armed forces are kicking tail and defeating the scourge of terrorism in that country.

Do most Americans know about those statistics? Instead, the media highlights negative words. True, Iraq is far from being the ideal country to live in, but the improvements made are astounding. Do a Google search and compare numbers. It will blow your mind.

Freedom and prosperity for the people in Iraq are within grasp. The constitution is likely to be overwhelmingly approved. History is in the making, and freedom is on the march.

A single decision is all it takes *Existence*



Lindsey Schuld
News Editor

My friend Weston is in a coma because he decided to ride with a drunk driver.

One night. A single decision that shatters your entire world. A single moment that changes everything you've come to know.

The night starts off slowly. A drink here, a shot or two there, surrounded by your friends that are enjoying being young. Time suddenly starts moving faster.

Fast forward to the bars. Several people with you aren't 21, but you know the bartender, they'll be cool and let you drink if you tip well. You're

playing darts and unsuccessfully trying to dance.

Time keeps ticking.

That's when you do it.

That's the moment when you make the decision.

You get in the car with your best friend, the one who every memory you have with is one you wouldn't trade for the world. The one you've been doing shots with all night long.

Going 100 miles per hour down a dark country road, you can only laugh at how crazy the night has been so far. Then something happens.

Time suddenly slows down. Each second pounds in your head. You can hear your heart beating from within your chest, and the words, "Oh my God," come to mind but never escape your lips.

The driver of the car, this person who you trust your life

with, just overshot the corner and the car you're in is now in the air, as you watch yourself slowly approach an embankment of dirt.

Your friend never even knew there was a corner, never even attempted to hit the brakes. This is the last memory you ever have, all because of one decision, one moment.

This happened to a good friend of mine during celebrations in Eau Claire last weekend. Weston, a former runner, broke both of his legs and shattered parts of his arm. He was thrown from the vehicle and landed on his head, causing hemorrhaging in his brain.

Weston hasn't woken up yet. One night. One decision. One moment that changed everything. The driver, his best friend, suffered a gash to his arm and a concussion. He

was released after three days in the hospital.

They don't know if Weston will ever walk again, and if he wakes up, if he'll ever be able to talk or remember anything from before.

Homecoming celebrations are a time for celebrating with those you love and care for.

Don't for one moment think that the decisions you make won't change your life, or the life of those you love. No matter how fast things seem to be going, you can slow down and say no.

As fast as his life was going when he hit that embankment, Weston's family and loved ones now get to sit in the hospital and wait, hearing every second of the clock ticking slowly by, reminding them that each second that passes is one they will never get to share with him.



Brian Legg
Columnist

I've been somewhat at a loss for words at the seemingly endless string of disasters recently. I'm not a believer in the "end times," but if I was, I'd be stocking up on the western equivalent of karma points. Then, recently, the wave hit quite close to home.

These aren't extinction level events, but they brought some of the feelings I've been seeing expressed on TV into my reality.

First, there was a stabbing at the high school I graduated from. No one was killed, but my sister is a freshman there, so there was a moment where I feared for her safety.

Second, there was the crash that I'm sure many of you have already heard about. Here there was a human toll, and Chippewa is a close neighbor of ours. My sympathy goes out to the victims.

Finally, and perhaps most significantly in my humble existence, there was a fire at a home across the street from my apartment; all of these happened within the span of three days.

I was awoken at 2:00 a.m. by my roommate who told me I should come see what was going on. It was a duplex that housed two large families, and it was already ablaze. At the time there was no one standing outside, other than the police and fire departments, and we were unsure if the occupants had gotten out.

We watched for two hours as the firemen extinguished the flames. We were relieved once we found out that they had escaped, but the house was not spared massive destruction.

All of these things got me thinking about the fragility of existence. Yes, this is heading to a personal revelation, so if this kind of thing makes you gag, feel free to stop reading.

I'm not going to say you should call your mom and tell her you love her or anything like that, but stop and think for a minute. Look around you. Take a moment just to breathe in the air around you. All too often we get caught up in the forward motion of life that we forget to stop and capture the fleeting present.

To quote a Flaming Lips song, "all we have is now."

The past is just a series of present moments that have happened. The future is just an assumption that the present moments will continue indefinitely.

Don't waste the opportunities that the present presents. Take that chance. Mend that bridge you've been meaning to but just haven't found the time for. Live.

Favortism is what gets you nominated



Michael Graney
Columnist

In a country of more than 250 million people, the best person to receive a lifetime appointment to the Supreme Court is your own personal lawyer. What? Excuse me? Can such a thing be true?

If your personal lawyer is someone like Thurgood Marshall or even John Roberts Jr., who has established some sort of public record from the cases one has worked, it would make sense. One can look at their previous works and gain an appreciation for their view of the U.S. Supreme Court.

Our president, with his next Supreme Court Justice nomination, decided to go with someone close to him. No, not "Brownie," nor was it Tommy

Thompson. They are too well known of a commodity. It is his personal lawyer, Harriet Miers.

This is the same lady who had written, "You and Laura are the Greatest!" in a thank you note on one occasion. The few papers I have read don't really point to a certain way of thinking on legal issues. She did lead a campaign to change the American Bar Association's stance on abortion rights. Additionally, she was a corporate lawyer, which means a lot of the cases she worked on are tied up in confidentiality and nondisclosure agreements.

Personally, I have no real problem with her not having served on any of the circuit courts or not having been a judge before. What I do have a problem with is the lack of a public record. The most I can find is from her period as President of the State Bar of Texas. Most of these deal with education, shoptalk and public perception, while being very apolitical and moderate.

However, much could have changed since 1992 and 1993 with one's political views.

I personally have no problem with virtual unknowns being nominated for positions in our highest offices, provided they have some sort of public record behind them. Even if it is as basic as an article from a school newspaper or writings of a fictional nature, it is something that will let one gain insight into the person and are available for others to read.

My real question is, did President Bush nominate her based on their personal relationship? Is she shrewd enough to have seen a potential president in the rough to profess overly enthusiastic adulations as part of a more secretive agenda?

I hope it isn't the former, and that she really is well qualified for the job. I laugh at the latter and wonder why she hasn't won the lottery.

However, if President Bush nominated her based on their personal relationship, let that be

a lesson to all of us now. Start trying to determine who will be the rising political dynamo of our generation. Then write overly flattering notes, thanking them and boosting one's ego.

Continue doing that until the person in question becomes a person in power and voila! You have just completed the qualifications to be a United States Supreme Court Justice nominee!

The real test will be the Senate hearing of her nomination. I personally hate the idea of one being given such an appointment without a thorough and rigorous questioning process. The Judicial Committee can NOT turn it into an overly partisan floor show like they did with Chief Justice Roberts.

This is where we step in. Only we, the constituents of our senators, can pressure them to provide us with good, sound reasoning as to why they vote a certain way AND how they view the nominee in a more political context. Remember that knowledge is power.

Should have known it was too good to be true



Matt Schubbe
Columnist

I knew it was too good to be true. I also knew that one of these days I would have to write some kind of retraction or clarification article.

I just didn't think that both of these events would occur in one article. At least I can admit when I'm wrong.

What's too good to be true, you ask? Well, my article on the reported presidential candidacy of one Christopher Walken. And I was so excited about it, too.

But it seems in my excitement, I got a bit careless and didn't investigate thoroughly enough.

I received an e-mail a few days ago from an avid *Stoutonia* reader informing me of the distinct possibility that I had made. This reader requested that I visit the online encyclopedia wikipedia.com and check out the page on Christopher Walken. This is what I found:

"As of August 2005, he was the subject of a hoax presidential campaign. A busy website, walken2008.com, presented numerous politically-charged quotes from Walken, which his publicist dismissed as '100 percent not true.' The Urban Legends Reference Pages list the site as a fake. Although speculation has mentioned its potential for drawing

attention to Walken's role as a Cabinet member in the 2005 comedy 'Wedding Crashers,' it and similar sites about him, such as Win With Walken and Walken to Mordor, are being attributed to participants in the Internet message board General Mayhem."

My heart dropped into my chest very quickly as I read these fateful words. Not because I had been wrong, but because I had really sincerely hoped, in my heart of hearts, that Christopher Walken was actually running for president. But it's like Mick Jagger once told me, "You can't always get what you want."

But I can live with that. I usually don't have to do any research for the articles I write — at least for the opinions page.

Most of it is stream-of-consciousness stuff that I pull off the top of my head because the possibility exists that someone else might see the same humor in it that I do.

This may serve as a bit of a reminder to me of what it means to be a journalist. This one is nobody's fault but mine, so sorry if I got anyone looking forward to talkin' about Walken.

Getting back to the Rolling Stones reference I made earlier, another lyric from that same song can also apply in this situation: "but if you try sometimes, you just might find, you get what you need."

I didn't get what I wanted, but what I NEEDED was a topic for this week's article. As you can see, I've at least got that one covered.

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1	n/a	147 1/2 Main Street #8	\$180	\$180	n/a	n/a	Inc. utilities, bath off hallway, washer/dryer	SR
1	n/a	147 1/2 Main Street #6	\$195	\$195	n/a	n/a	Inc. utilities, bath off hallway, washer/dryer	SR
1	n/a	147 1/2 Main Street #7	\$195	\$195	n/a	n/a	Inc. utilities, bath off hallway, washer/dryer	SR
1	n/a	147 1/2 Main Street #9	\$195	\$195	n/a	n/a	Inc. utilities, bath off hallway, washer/dryer	SR
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1	n/a	147 1/2 Main Street #5	\$230	\$230	n/a	n/a	Inc. utilities, bath off hallway, washer/dryer	SR
1	1	620 9th Avenue	\$240	\$240	n/a	n/a	efficiency Apartment includes utilities	3
1	1	400 1/2 Main Street #1	\$270	\$270	n/a	n/a	WSG+HW inc. storage, close to campus	6
1	1	119 West Main Street #1	\$275	\$275	\$350	\$350	Close to campus and downtown	3
1	1	702 4th Street	\$275	\$275	n/a	n/a	WSG+HW inc. storage, close to campus	6
1	1	400 1/2 Main Street #2	\$290	\$290	n/a	n/a	WSG+HW inc. storage, close to campus	6
1	1	802 6th Avenue #1	\$290	\$290	n/a	n/a	Utilities included, parking	6
1	1	802 6th Avenue #2	\$290	\$290	n/a	n/a	Utilities included, parking	6
1	1	1220 6th Avenue #1	\$295	\$295	n/a	n/a	nice location, includes heat/water, studio	8
1	1	1222 6th Avenue #2	\$295	\$295	n/a	n/a	nice location, includes heat/water, studio	8
1	1	613 13th Street #8	\$295	\$295	n/a	n/a	nice location, includes heat/water, studio	8
1	1	703 1/2 3rd Street East #2	\$295	\$295	n/a	n/a	great location, includes WSG & heat	A
1	1	703 1/2 3rd Street East #3	\$295	\$295	n/a	n/a	great location, includes WSG & heat	A
1	1	1503 South Broadway	\$300	\$300	n/a	n/a	great location	H
1	1	802 6th Avenue #3	\$315	\$315	n/a	n/a	Includes all utilities parking	6
1	1	115 1/2 West Main Street	\$320	\$320	\$395	\$395	Close to campus and downtown	3
1	1	1203 1/2 14th Avenue East	\$325	\$325	n/a	n/a	upper duplex, nice size rooms	D
1	1	611 13th Street #7	\$325	\$325	n/a	n/a	Nice location, quiet residential, studio	8
1	1	903 7th Street	\$325	\$325	n/a	n/a	lower apt. 1 block from campus, gas heat	2
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1	1	703 1/2 3rd Street East #5	\$330	\$330	n/a	n/a	Great location, utilities Included Parking	A
1	1	703 1/2 3rd Street East #9	\$330	\$330	n/a	n/a	great location, includes WSG & heat	A
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1	1	803 Wilson Avenue #2	\$350	\$350	n/a	n/a	Great location, utilities Included Parking	8
1	1	321 1/2 Main Street #1	\$355	\$355	n/a	n/a	located downtown, close to campus	A
1	1	803 Wilson Avenue #6	\$360	\$360	n/a	n/a	Great location, util. Incl. Parking	8
1	1	803 Wilson Avenue #8	\$360	\$360	n/a	n/a	Great location, util. Incl. Parking	8
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1	1	1218 1/2 9th Street	\$375	\$375	n/a	n/a	gas heat, upper duplex, great location	D
1	1	321 1/2 Main Street #2	\$375	\$375	n/a	n/a	located downtown, close to campus	A
1	1	703 1/2 3rd Street East #8	\$375	\$375	n/a	n/a	great location, includes WSG & heat	A
1	1	1221 7th Street	\$390	\$390	n/a	n/a	Inc. heat, WSG, hot water, very large & nice	4
1	1	1520 7th Street	\$390	\$390	n/a	n/a	close to campus, parking, Washer/dryer	D
1	1	421 Wilson Avenue #3	\$395	\$395	n/a	n/a	Inc. heat, WSG, hot water, parking	6
1	1	421 Wilson Avenue #4	\$395	\$395	n/a	n/a	Inc. heat, WSG, hot water, parking	6
1	1	703 1/2 3rd Street East #1	\$395	\$395	n/a	n/a	great location, includes WSG & heat	A
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1	1	333 1/2 Main Street #2	\$400	\$400	n/a	n/a	Inc. heat, WSG, downtown location	A
1	1	421 1/2 13th Avenue West	\$435	\$435	\$554	\$554	super nice, great location, storage	D
1	1	803 Wilson Avenue #7	\$455	\$455	n/a	n/a	Great location, util. Incl. Parking	8
1	1	803 Wilson Avenue #1	\$475	\$475	n/a	n/a	Great location, util. Incl. Parking	8
2	1	1506 1/2 6th Street	\$330	\$165	\$428	\$214	enclosed front porch, great location	D
2	1	1218 9th Street	\$350	\$175	n/a	n/a	gas heat, lower duplex, great location	D
2	1	113 West Main Street	\$360	\$180	\$458	\$229	Close to campus and downtown	3
2	1	921 Main Street #2	\$360	\$180	\$500	\$250	Good location, parking	4
2	1	921 Main Street #4	\$360	\$180	\$500	\$250	Good location, parking	4
2	1	1203 14th Avenue East	\$375	\$188	n/a	n/a	lower duplex, gas heat	D
2	1	115 West Main Street	\$380	\$190	\$500	\$250	Close to campus and downtown	3
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2	1	915 1/2 Main Street	\$395	\$198	\$495	\$248	good location in duplex, w parking	D
2	1	1803 1/2 7th Street	\$400	\$200	\$460	\$230	remodeled, lrg apt. Washer/dryer Avail. 8/01/06	D
2	1	208 1/2 13th Avenue West	\$400	\$200	n/a	n/a	gas heat, next to campus	D
2	1	620 15th Avenue	\$400	\$200	\$585	\$293	upper duplex, very nice close to campus	D
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2	1	1506 6th Street	\$420	\$210	\$590	\$295	huge bedrooms, enclosed front porch	D
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2	1	619 13th Avenue	\$430	\$215	n/a	n/a	Inc. heat WSG hot water, excellent location	4
2	1	1221 1/2 7th Street	\$440	\$220	n/a	n/a	Inc. heat, WSG, hot water, excellent location	4
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2	1	1502 10th Street	\$500	\$250	\$650	\$325	garage, W/D hook-up, great house	H
2	1	620 1/2 9th Avenue	\$500	\$250	\$660	\$330	close to campus, large nice rooms	3
2	1	802 6th Avenue #6	\$520	\$260	n/a	n/a	Includes all utilities parking	6
2	1	802 6th Avenue #5	\$525	\$263	n/a	n/a	Includes all utilities parking	6
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2	1	421 Wilson Avenue #2	\$540	\$270	n/a	n/a	Inc. heat, WSG, hot water, parking	6
2	1	421 Wilson Avenue #5	\$540	\$270	n/a	n/a	Inc. heat, WSG, hot water, parking	6
2	1	421 Wilson Avenue #6	\$540	\$270	n/a	n/a	Inc. heat, WSG, hot water, parking	6
2	1	147 1/2 Main Street #C	\$600	\$300	n/a	n/a	Inc. Utilities, great location, washer/dryer	A
3	1	1503 7th Street	\$395	\$132	n/a	n/a	Lower duplex, Available 8/01/06	D
3	1	1311 1/2 South Broadway	\$450	\$150	\$535	\$178	next to campus, washer/dryer	D
3	1	1311 South Broadway	\$495	\$165	\$645	\$215	washer/dryer next to campus	D
3	1	2203 South Broadway	\$500	\$167	n/a	n/a	full basement, gas heat, great location	H
3	1	119 West Main Street #3	\$525	\$175	\$675	\$225	parking and convenient location, nice rooms	3
3	1	1312 6th Street	\$550	\$183	n/a	n/a	close to campus, parking	H
3	1	1415 1/2 4th Street West	\$600	\$200	\$810	\$270	gas heat, garage, great location	D
3	1	208 13th Avenue West	\$600	\$200	n/a	n/a	Lrg. Rooms, gas heat, parking	D
3	1	814 1/2 10th Street	\$600	\$200	\$740	\$247	large rooms, gas heat, nice place	D
3	1	921 Main Street #3	\$600	\$200	\$765	\$255	Good location, parking, economical	4
3	1	414 12th Avenue West	\$615	\$205	\$805	\$268	very large, garage storage	D
3	1	327 1/2 Main Street	\$675	\$225	n/a	n/a	located dwntwn, close to campus, some utilities	A
3	1	802 6th Avenue #4	\$675	\$225	n/a	n/a	utilities included, parking	6
3	2	Edgewood Drive(sevrl avail)	\$700	\$233	n/a	n/a	attached double garage, like new, neutral colors	0
3	1	147 1/2 Main Street #B	\$780	\$260	n/a	n/a	Inc. Utilities, W/D great location, very large	A
4	1	1606 10th Street	\$550	\$138	\$700	\$175	washer/dryer, new siding	H

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			Entire Unit	Per Person	Entire Unit	Per Person		
4	1	1120 15th Avenue	\$600	\$150	\$720	\$180	washer/dryer excellent shape/lrg rooms	D
4	1	1809 6th Street	\$600	\$150	\$810	\$203	washer/dryer, gas heat, garage	H
4	1	309 14th Avenue West	\$600	\$150	\$750	\$188	WD good location, gas heat	H
4	1	1115 14th Avenue	\$620	\$155	\$800	\$200	gas heat/garage/large rooms/ W/D hookup	H
4	1	1508 10th Street	\$620	\$155	n/a	n/a	close to Lammers, nice layout	H
4	1	321 13th Avenue West	\$620	\$155	\$790	\$198	Super location, washer/dryer	H
4	1	1215 10th Street	\$700	\$175	\$820	\$205	W/D gas heat/storage, parking, garage	H
4	1	921 Main Street #1	\$700	\$175	\$870	\$218	good location, economical	4
4	2	1319 8th Street	\$775	\$194	\$975	\$244	close to campus, large nice rooms	H
4	2	1415 8th Street East	\$800	\$200	\$1,080	\$270	recently upgraded, great location parking W/D	D
4	2	1509 South Broadway	\$800	\$200	n/a	n/a	lrg. House, nice location	H
4	1	1808 5th Street	\$800	\$200	\$980	\$245	large rooms, W/D parking, location	H
4	1	915 Main Street	\$800	\$200	\$980	\$245	good location in duplex, w parking	D
4	1	1216 6th Street	\$820	\$205	\$990	\$248	gas heat across from campus	H
4	1	1600 10th Street	\$850	\$213	n/a	n/a	great house W/D hook-ups	H
4	2	1620 6th Street	\$850	\$213	\$1,030	\$258	great house, W/D hook-up, gas heat	H
4	1.5	414 14th Avenue #1	\$880	\$220	\$1,030	\$258	mod., high eff. Gas heat, W/D a/c, avail. 8/01/06	8
4	1.5	414 14th Avenue #2	\$880	\$220	\$1,030	\$258	modern, high eff. Gas heat, W/D a/c	8
4	1.5	414 14th Avenue #3	\$880	\$220	\$1,030	\$258	modern, high eff. Gas heat, W/D a/c	8
4	1.5	414 14th Avenue #4	\$880	\$220	\$1,030	\$258	modern, high eff. Gas heat, W/D a/c	8
4	1.5	414 14th Avenue #5	\$880	\$220	\$1,030	\$258	modern, high eff. Gas heat, W/D a/c	8
4	1.5	414 14th Avenue #6	\$880	\$220	\$1,030	\$258	modern, high eff. Gas heat, W/D a/c	8
4	1.5	414 14th Avenue #7	\$880	\$220	\$1,030	\$258	modern, high eff. Gas heat, W/D a/c	8
4	1.5	414 14th Avenue #8	\$880	\$220	\$1,030	\$258	modern, high eff. Gas heat, W/D a/c	8
4	1	1114 7th Street	\$900	\$225	n/a	n/a	great location, close to campus, garage	H
4	1	121 1/2 12th Avenue West	\$900	\$225	\$1,120	\$280	large apartment, super location washer/dryer	D
4	1.5	121 12th Avenue West	\$900	\$225	\$1,090	\$273	large apartment, super location washer/dryer	D
4	2	1515 6th Street	\$900	\$225	\$1,095	\$274	spacious, close to campus, washer/dryer	H
4	1	2235 South Broadway	\$900	\$225	\$1,100	\$275	large house, parking W/D, great home	H
4	1	315 1/2 Main Street	\$900	\$225	n/a	n/a	located downtown, close to campus	A
4	2	1702 6th Street	\$950	\$238	\$1,140	\$285	lots of space, great location, W/D	H
4	2	602 12th Avenue East	\$1,000	\$250	\$1,210	\$303	new large bedrooms, close to campus	D
4	2	1301 9th Street	\$1,020	\$255	\$1,270	\$318	beautiful house, garage, location, washer/dryer	H
4	2	1317 8th Street	\$1,040	\$260	\$1,250	\$313	washer/dryer deck good location	H
4	2	332 1/2 Main Street	\$1,040	\$260	\$1,240	\$310	Huge washer/dryer, deck the best 4 br downtown	H
4	2	1021 8th Street	\$1,100	\$275	\$1,345	\$336	beautiful house w/decks close to campus W/D	H
4	3	147 1/2 Main Street #A	\$1,100	\$275	n/a	n/a	Inc. utilities, huge, great loc., W/D, very nice	A
5	1	1121 6th Avenue	\$600	\$120	\$860	\$172	washer/dryer gas heat	H
5	1	1120 1/2 15th Avenue	\$650	\$130	\$830	\$166	very lrg. Rooms W/D hook-up	D
5	2	512 19th Avenue West	\$750	\$150	\$1,000	\$200	large, parking, 2 family rooms	D
5	2	516 19th Avenue West	\$750	\$150	\$1,000	\$200	large, parking, 2 family rooms	D
5	1	1115 6th Street	\$800	\$160	\$980	\$196	washer dryer, updated, right on campus	H
5	1	1320 6th Street	\$820	\$164	\$1,040	\$208	washer/dryer great location	H
5	2	2006 5th Street #A	\$840	\$168	\$1,000	\$200	washer/dryer very large	3
5	2	405 20th Avenue	\$850	\$170	\$1,030	\$206	great house washer/dryer garage	H
5	2	1403 6th Street	\$900	\$180	\$1,180	\$236	good location, lots of parking, huge rooms	H
5	2	1521 8th Street	\$900	\$180	\$1,145	\$229	washer/dryer great location	H
5	2	221 12th Avenue West	\$900	\$180	n/a	n/a	big house, nice location Available 9/02/06	H
5	2	814 10th Street	\$925	\$185	\$1,205	\$241	lots of rooms on 2 levels, upgrades W/D	D
5	2	607 13th Avenue East	\$950	\$190	\$1,140	\$228	huge rooms, location, parking washer/dryer	H
5	1	1107 2nd Street West	\$1,000	\$200	\$1,260	\$252	good layout/close to campus	H
5	2	2303 3rd Street	\$1,025	\$205	\$1,305	\$261	detached garage, large, washer/dryer	H
5	2.5	1502 7th Street	\$1,050	\$210	\$1,250	\$313	washer/dryer, remodeled	H
5	2	2006 5th Street #B	\$1,100	\$220	\$1,380	\$276	newer W/D, has everything	3
5	2	-2006 5th Street #C	\$1,100	\$220	\$1,380	\$276	newer W/D, has everything	3
5	2.5	902 Main Street	\$1,125	\$225	\$1,405	\$281	great location, W/D, large rooms, fenced yard	H
5	2	1803 7th Street	\$1,150	\$230	\$1,430	\$286	washer/dryer parking, good location, large	D
5	2	203 13th Avenue West	\$1,150	\$230	\$1,410	\$282	washer dryer, great location, house	H
5	2	321 14th Avenue West	\$1,250	\$250	\$1,500	\$300	close to campus, washer/dryer great house	H
5	2	1008 6th Street	\$1,275	\$255	\$1,535	\$307	washer/dryer. Garage. w/great location	H
5	2	121 13th Avenue West	\$1,300	\$260	\$1,560	\$312	large, super location. Washer/dryer	D
5	2	1708 6th Street #A	\$1,325	\$265	\$1,545	\$309	washer/dryer, parking, large bedrooms	D
5	2	1708 6th Street #B	\$1,325	\$265	\$1,545	\$309	washer/dryer, parking, large bedrooms	D
5	2	1115 17th Avenue	\$750	\$150	\$960	\$192	very lrg. Rooms W/D hook-up (4-SALE)	H
6	2	1402 8th Street	\$600	\$100	\$790	\$132	washer/dryer gas heat good layout	H
6	1.5	221 4th Street West	\$700	\$117	\$960	\$160	washer/dryer gas heat, north campus	H
6	2	1602 8th Street	\$900	\$150	\$1,100	\$183	washer/dryer storage gas heat	H
6	2	504 10th Street	\$900	\$150	\$1,180	\$197	W/D hook-ups, gas heat, large rms.	H
6	2	415 13th Avenue West	\$1,050	\$175	\$1,330	\$222	modern house very lrg. rooms, good location	H
6	2	1603 7th Street	\$1,170	\$195	\$1,450	\$242	washer/dryer new carpet, very nice	H
6	2	1415 1/2 8th Street	\$1,200	\$200	\$1,480	\$247	fabulous newer construction washer/dryer	D
6	2	321 20th Avenue #A	\$1,200	\$200	\$1,445	\$241	new, large bedrooms, washer/dryer	4
6	2	321 20th Avenue #B	\$1,200	\$200	\$1,445	\$241	new, large bedrooms, washer/dryer	4
6	2	321 20th Avenue #C	\$1,200	\$200	\$1,445	\$241	new, large bedrooms, washer/dryer	4
6	2	321 20th Avenue #D	\$1,200	\$200	\$1,445	\$241	new, large bedrooms, washer/dryer	4
6	2	602 1/2 12th Avenue	\$1,200	\$200	\$1,480	\$247	great location, washer/dryer, very nice, parking	D
6	2	1714 8th Street	\$1,230	\$205	\$1,500	\$250	large deck, gas heat, washer/dryer	H
6	2	1151/2 17th Avenue West	\$1,250	\$208	\$1,510	\$252	newer unit, great location washer/dryer	D
6	2	115 17th Avenue West	\$1,260	\$210	\$1,510	\$252	location, washer/dryer Parking	D
6	2	121 1/2 13th Avenue West	\$1,260	\$210	\$1,540	\$257	large, super location, washer/dryer	D
6	2	513 9th Avenue East	\$1,280	\$213	\$1,560	\$260	across from HOME EC. Lrge, desirable, W/D	H
6	2	802 12th Avenue	\$1,375	\$229	\$1,575	\$263	lrg. Modern house, new carpet, washer/dryer	H
6	2	408 18th Avenue East	\$1,560	\$260	\$1,800	\$300	washer/dryer, close to campus, great home,	H
6	2	921 8th Street	\$1,680	\$280	\$1,960	\$327	washer/dryer close to campus, great home	H
7	2	220 12th Avenue West	\$1,190	\$170	\$1,415	\$202	great location, washer/dryer	H
7	2	1321 2nd Street West	\$1,400	\$200	\$1,700	\$243	large house, 1 blk. from campus	H
7	2	820 11th Street	\$1,600	\$229	\$1,900	\$271	newly remodeled, washer/dryer, fabulous house	H
7	3	819 7th Street	\$1,610	\$230	\$1,835	\$262	great location, parking W/D. fabulous	H
8	3	1421 South Broadway	\$1,840	\$230	\$2,050	\$256	large house, W/D, across from stadium	H
103		1609 6th Street	\$1,400	\$140	n/a	n/a	washer/dryer, lots of room, location	H

Homecoming: it went down in flames

By Katie Triphan
Campus Writer

University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire's student body president was recently quoted in their newspaper regarding homecoming, stating: "We hope not to go to Stout's level," suggesting that the University of Wisconsin-Stout needed to cancel homecoming because of its rowdiness. If UW-Stout does have a "reputation," how much of it is deserved, and how much of our so-called reputation could really be attributed to any college? I think if you look around, you can find not-so-glorious moments in everyone's past.

In 1917, UW-Stout had its first homecoming. However, the death of Lorenzo Dow Harvey (the school's president at the time) and our involvement in World War I, were likely factors that kept UW-Stout from celebrating homecoming again until 1922. In 1922 and 1923, a lot of traditional homecoming events got started: the pep rally, the dance, the parade, the homecoming play, the alumni breakfast and of course, the bonfire.

The bonfire used to be one of the favorite homecoming events of UW-Stout students. Every year, students attempted to make the bonfire bigger and better than the year before. It was the bonfire that really got

students psyched up for the homecoming football game that would follow. Unfortunately, sometime between the 1970s and 1980s, that tradition was put to a halt, and one of the biggest contributing factors to the halt was an incident that occurred during homecoming in 1960.

Fifteen students from UW-Eau Claire decided to raid on the UW-Stout bonfire by attempting to prematurely light it. They entered the fairgrounds, which is where the bonfire was located, getting past the guards on duty.

Seconds after they gained entry to the fairgrounds, they managed to light the bonfire, but the truck they rode in on went up in flames as well. No one is sure what exactly happened between those few seconds when they entered the grounds and when the truck was lit on fire. It was believed that a milk can filled with gasoline spilled and was ignited. The truck sped out of the fairgrounds still on fire.

Ambulances were called to the scene. Initially it was unknown how many UW-Eau Claire students were involved, or if any of the students were still missing when the truck sped away from the fairgrounds. About 100 UW-Stout students, who were on the scene originally guarding the bonfire, went to work conducting a search of the grounds for injured students. Police officers credited the UW-



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The bonfire always drew a very large crowd of students. It was one of the most popular homecoming events.

Stout students with doing a nice job helping smother flames and assisting injured persons with removing burning clothes. Four of the students involved were hospitalized. One of the students suffered burns on over 44 percent of his body.

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Auto club drives to benefit underprivileged children

The Auto Club was one of 100 participants who made donations to organizations for children

By Renee Currington
Campus Editor

Members of the University of Wisconsin-Stout Auto Club helped underprivileged kids over the weekend by doing one of their favorite things: driving.

The club donated \$50 to the Drive for Kids and took a 480-mile trip from St. Paul, down the Mississippi River to Red Wing, Minnesota, on Sunday, Oct. 9. Those who participated were also entered in the auto show held at the finish line.

The drive was an all day event, with some groups starting as early as 9:15 a.m. and arriving in Red Wing as late as 5 p.m.

There were also shorter routes planned for those who didn't want to drive as much. The Auto Club drivers decided to take the more scenic route in their 1954 De Soto Firedome.

"We went through a lot of old historical towns," said Chris-

topher Schoenemann, who drove for the Auto Club. "There was a lot of neat stuff to see."

The Drive for Kids mile marker signs led drivers through towns with antique shops.

"One area had a drive-in theater and each of the participants got a coupon for that," said Schenemann.

Owners of the most popular cars were awarded

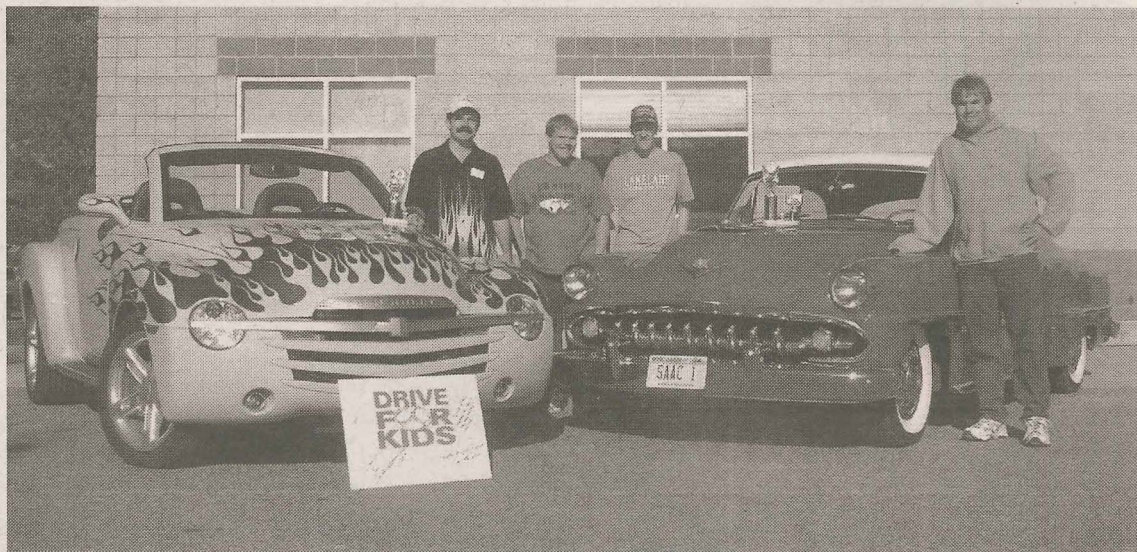
"Top 10 People's Choice" trophies in the auto show. Then a committee voted for one out of the top 10.

The UW-Stout Auto Club's De Soto Firedome won the "Committee's Choice" out of all 100 cars that participated in the drive.

"We won because we drove the longest and our car was one of the oldest," said Schoenemann.

The club was given the opportunity to have their picture included in the Drive for Kids 2006 promotional materials.

The Auto Club has participated in other charitable events, such as the Knapp Lions Club Auto



Courtesy of UW-Stout Auto Club

The car on the right belongs to the Auto Club and has since 1974. It is a 1954 De Soto Firedome. The car on the left is a 2005 Chevy SSR and it won Viewer's Choice award at the Drive for Kids Auto Show.

Bay City
Red Wing
Show and Fall Festival. For some, Drive for Kids was a whole new experience.

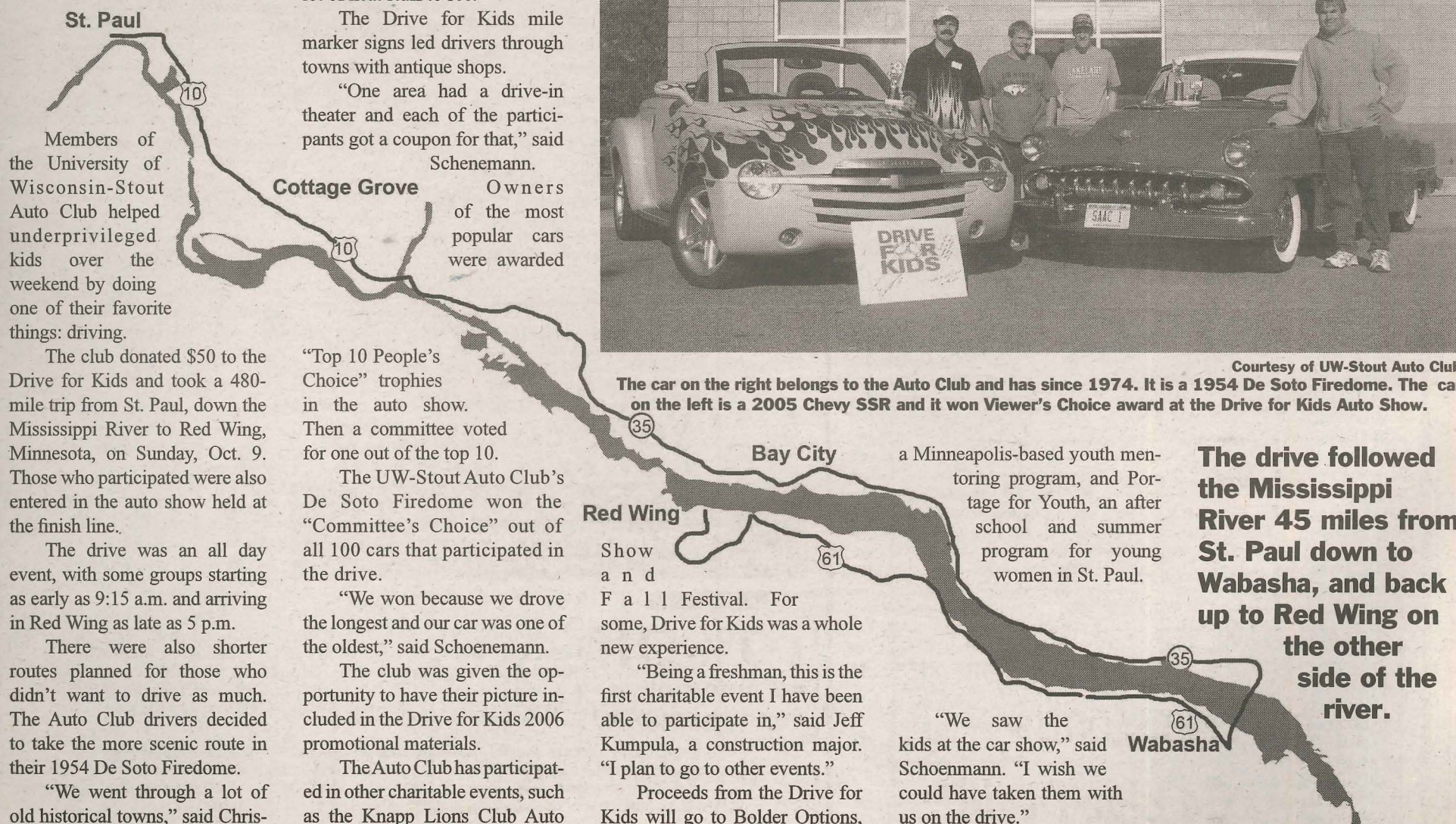
"Being a freshman, this is the first charitable event I have been able to participate in," said Jeff Kumpula, a construction major. "I plan to go to other events."

Proceeds from the Drive for Kids will go to Bolder Options,

a Minneapolis-based youth mentoring program, and Portage for Youth, an after school and summer program for young women in St. Paul.

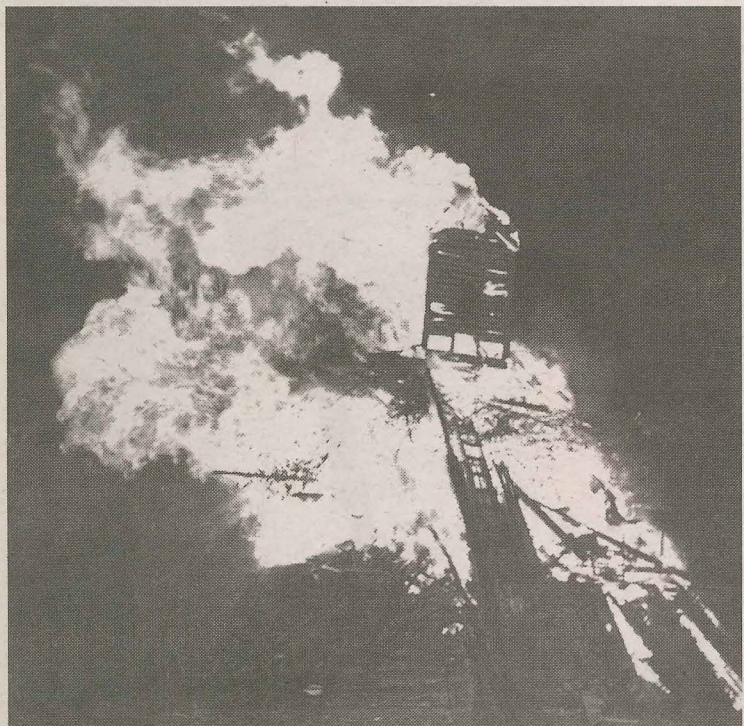
The drive followed the Mississippi River 45 miles from St. Paul down to Wabasha, and back up to Red Wing on the other side of the river.

"We saw the kids at the car show," said Schoenemann. "I wish we could have taken them with us on the drive."



History / bonfire

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The bonfire in 1960 was the biggest it had ever been, but in the end it was the last there ever was for UW-Stout's homecoming.

Eleven of the students involved in the incident were members of UW-Eau Claire's football team. Interestingly enough, we did not even play UW-Eau Claire for our homecoming; UW-Stout's opponent was the University of Wisconsin-River Falls. However, UW-Stout did play UW-Eau Claire the following week, so the act could be described as "school rivalry."

Clearly, however, the incident got way out of hand and peoples' lives were put in jeopardy for a very juvenile act. Not to mention it put a damper on the homecoming festivities. The Stoutonia that was published that week, handled the matter in a very mature manner, responding by saying,

"Even now, there is no anger from any of the student body here at Stout—but only regret

that such an incident occurred. If you go to Eau Claire this weekend for the football game, remember to carry this spirit of 'forgive and forget' with you. The damage has been done and there is no need for any more. Let us set the example by being the best 'sports' possible."

It's not just UW-Stout or UW-Eau Claire. Everyone has things in their past to be ashamed of. Despite the uneasy feelings produced by dredging these things up, it's important to remember them so that these sorts of events are not duplicated.

So go ahead, enjoy some good clean rivalry between schools, it's all in good fun and to instill a bit of healthy school pride. But do not sink to a level that is harmful to you or to others this homecoming.

Spices, heart and soul

By Amanda Schroeder
Campus Writer

Can you imagine what food would be like without herbs or spices? Can you imagine a French fry with no salt, or spaghetti sauce without herbs? Herbs and spices are so often taken for granted, even though they are in every dish we eat.

Jacalyn Schultz, a junior in food systems and technology, said, "Spices are a necessity; without them, life would be really bland."

In ancient times, spices were some of the most valuable items of trade; some were even worth as much as their weight in gold. Cinnamon was considered a delicacy. Due to the high demand for spices, the spice trade greatly influenced settlement patterns. Many cities were formed because of where people stopped on their way to get spices.

In the past, herbs and spices were used for many things including magical rites and spells, purification ceremonies, embalming, perfumes and cosmetics, medicines and even poisons. Today, they are used mainly for flavoring foods and drinks.

There are some very interesting facts about spices. For

example, saffron is the most expensive spice, and the most expensive food by weight. Also, India produces 86 percent of the world's spices.

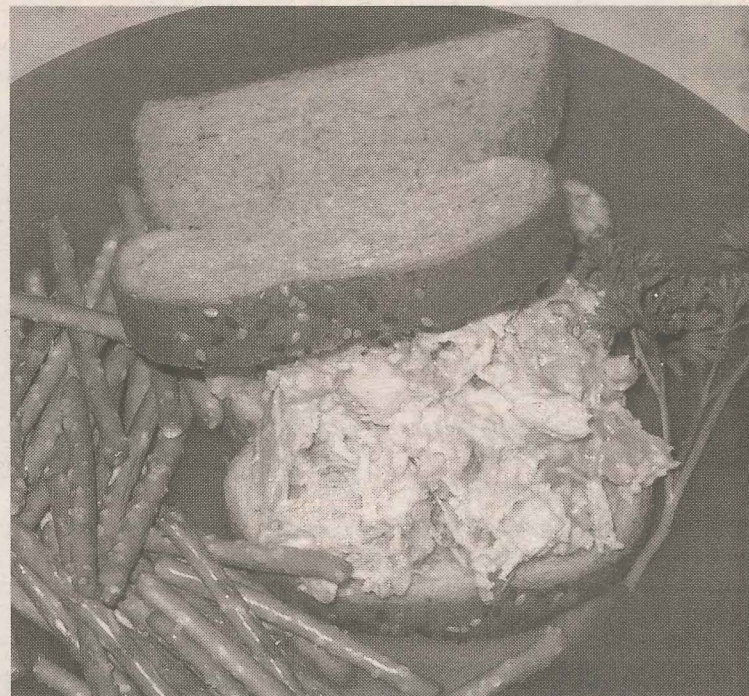
But what is a spice? Spices are the bark, stem, flower bud, fruit or seed of a tropical plant or tree. Spices are almost always found dried and include cinnamon, ginger, cloves, saffron, all-spice, pepper and paprika.

Herbs are leaves, usually from plants grown in the

temperate zone. Herbs include thyme, sage, rosemary and basil. Herbs have the most flavor when used fresh, but can also be used dried.

Herbs and spices are good to use in cooking, especially to add flavor to foods that are low calorie, low fat or low sodium. They should be added to enhance the food's flavor, not to overpower it.

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Amanda Schroeder/Stoutonia

Curried chicken salad is great alone, in a wrap or on a sandwich.

Meet two freshmen friends

By Anthony Forst
Campus Writer

Justine Lucore is an undeclared freshman who enjoys hanging out with friends, especially her friend Trina.

Together, they exercise every night while she listens to classic rock, metal, and jam bands that play modern hip-hop music. She also listens to music like Fiona Apple and Frank Sinatra. She has an estimated 300 CDs, many original.

"I like to see what the original album is like and not just the burned copies," said Lucore.

Lucore is currently unemployed, but she used to work at

a grocery store in Eau Claire, where she's from. She also used to babysit about five nights a week. She has an old Oldsmobile that she got from her grandpa.

Lucore's friend, Trina Harper, is also a freshman. She resides at Keith Hall. She, like her friend, Lucore, likes to hang out. Together they enjoy house and dorm parties.

"We listen to rap music to



Renee Currington/Stoutonia

(right) Justine Lucore and (left) Trina Harper, hanging out in the library between classes.

get pumped up before we go," said Harper.

She likes to play basketball and tennis and enjoys running. Her favorite type of music is classic rock and she likes The Beatles. She went to Eau Claire North High School.

"It was fun, kind of, but it was also kind of a dirty, ghetto school," said Harper. "The other high school was of the clean, unghetto variety." She liked high school except for a few things.

"There were too many rules and I hated the principal, although we did have open campus," said Harper.

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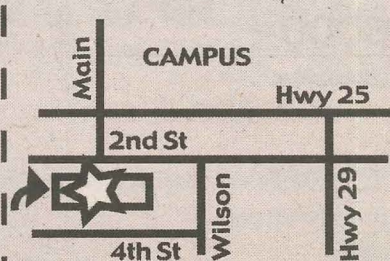
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Happy Homecoming
Go Blue Devils!

Career Conference overcrowded

By Jennifer Guthrie
Campus Writer

Students who are searching for a job after graduation or internships, have the opportunity to attend the annual University of Wisconsin-Stout career conference. This year, it took place on the 12 and 13 of Oct., and many students—mostly juniors and seniors—attended.

The conference was divided over two days by splitting up the jobs offered for specific majors, and promised students the opportunity to make contacts with employers from the industry, apply for internships and summer jobs, and begin to make the transition from student to professional.

The conference was very busy and crowded.

"The conference should have been spread out over three days instead of two because of the large crowds," said Mark Dasovic, an information technology and management major.

It would have been less crowded, attendants would have time to talk to every interested student and it would have been easier to organize the booths more cohesively.

It also would have been helpful and more organized if the booths had been arranged specifically according to which major they were interested in and if each booth had a sign

clearly posted displaying the majors they were seeking.

There seemed to be a disproportionate amount of booths for packaging majors.

"There weren't enough booths and companies for other majors," said Billy Sanders, a graphic design major.

The attitudes of the booth attendants varied from booth to booth. Most of the attendants seemed genuinely helpful and informative, even when they didn't have anything to offer for your major. They were mainly interested in students graduating this semester, otherwise they would just hand you a brochure.

Because there were so many people there, they were pretty busy, and didn't have enough time to talk to, let alone help everyone there.

"The booth attendants were nice, but some of them seemed not to be informed about their company," said Casey Kelly, a graphic design major. "Many seemed sincere about finding future employees. Certain places weren't as informative and seemed not as interested."

Not every student at the conference was job searching.

"I didn't bring my resume," said Ryan Gibson, a retail merchandising major. "I just went to check it out for future reference, but I didn't find it to be all that interesting. I was expecting to learn more about the companies



and what jobs were available to me once I graduated, but I didn't really get that from talking to the representatives. They just had generic, rehearsed lines."

Those students who were dressed up, had a resume, plan to graduate this semester and were serious about finding a job, probably had a good chance of finding work after graduation, especially if their major was one of those highly represented at the conference.

Some students might find the conference an even greater success if it were spread over more days and the booths from majors were proportionate.



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(top) Marcus Plana, a junior in retail merchandising and management, speaking with Target. (bottom) The representatives from the conference.

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Herbs / give food flavor

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"I use spices in everything for more flavor and less fat," said Andrea Kolbeck, a senior in food systems and technology.

Some general tips for using herbs and spices are to use only one strongly flavored herb or spice per recipe, and when doubling a recipe, the herbs and spices should only be increased by one and one half times, and more should be added only if needed. Also try to avoid overcooking herbs because they may become bitter.

If substituting dry herbs for fresh, only use one-third of the amount called for, since they have a stronger flavor.

Dried herbs and spices should be stored in a tight container in a cool spot. Whole spices last about two to five years, and crushed or powdered spices last about six months.

Curry can enhance the flavor of many dishes and is actually made up of many spices including: coriander, turmeric, cumin, pepper, mustard, allspice and ginger. This recipe is courtesy of www.spiceadvice.com.

Curried Chicken Salad
Transform everyday chicken salad into a gourmet specialty! Makes 8 servings.

PREP TIME: 15 minutes

CHILL TIME: 30 minutes

3 cups cooked chicken,

chopped

1 cup chopped celery

1/2 cup raisins

1 cup chopped Granny Smith apple (about 1 medium apple)

1/4 cup cashews

1 cup mayonnaise

2 teaspoons curry powder

Mix chicken, celery, raisins, apples and cashews in a large bowl. Combine mayonnaise and curry powder in a small bowl; mix thoroughly. Stir mayonnaise into chicken mixture. Chill a minimum of 30 minutes.

Spiced Yogurt/Honey Dip
Ingredients:

1 cup low fat vanilla yogurt

2 tablespoons honey

1/4 teaspoon ground ginger

1/8 teaspoon ground allspice

1/4 teaspoon cinnamon

1/8 teaspoon

ground cardamom

1/4

teaspoon orange

zest

Directions:

Combine

all ingredi-

ents in a bowl

and mix thor-

oughly. Serve

chilled along

side your favorite

fresh fruits and mel-

ons. Yields: 1 cup.

This herbed cream cheese combines herbs and cream cheese to make a delectable spread for bagels. This recipe is courtesy of www.foodnetwork.com.

Herbed Cream Cheese

2 (8-ounce) packages

cream cheese, at room

temperature

1/2 cup finely chopped

fresh basil leaves

1/4 cup finely chopped

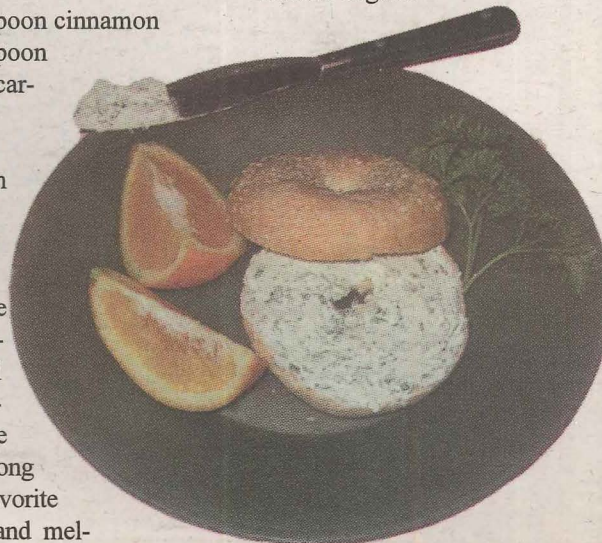
fresh chives

2 tablespoons finely

chopped fresh flat-leaf

parsley leaves

Combine all ingredients in a mixing bowl and blend with a wooden spoon until the herbs are evenly incorporated. Serve with toasted bagels.



Male or female? You be the judge



Natalie Rathmann
Entertainment Writer

Is it a boy or a girl? There was no way to be sure Monday night as the Great Hall played host to the 2005 Drag Show.

The show opened with a female impression of William Hung, the "She-bang" contestant from "American Idol." With a Hawaiian shirt and black wig, she (or he?) was able to get the audience banging right along with the booty-shaking performance.

Britney Spears also showed up, sporting her infamous schoolgirl look, modified with a UW-Stout T-shirt knotted at the stomach.

The audience could not get enough of her (or him?) as she (or he?) pranced around singing, "Hit me baby one more time."

The audience was then transported back in time to the 1950s for none other than the king of rock 'n' roll, Elvis Presley. The blue suede shoes sparkled and those rocking hips didn't skip a beat.

The drag show showcased some professional drag queens to act as judges, in addition to performing.

One went by the name Ophelia Junk and dressed in a lavish maroon dress, sporting a short bob hairstyle.

As Ophelia sang, "Bring On the Men," that is exactly what took place.

It was then that the Rainy Day Sex Gods took the stage with their white ponchos and umbrellas and sang, "It's Raining Men."

Moments later the performance heated up as four rappers took the stage, flexed their stuff and got the audience jumping.

Also featured was Napoleon



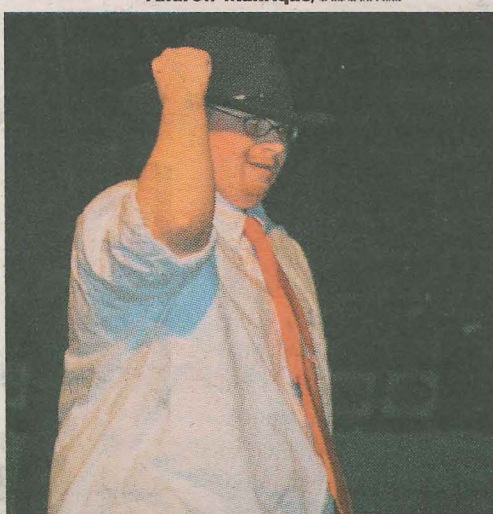
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Dynamite, who took the stage in his sweet moon boots and curly fro and showed off his dancing skills. The event was co-sponsored by Blue Devil Productions.

Delta Zeta, featuring Marcus Plana of Sigma Tau Gamma, won the event, with their rendition of the Kanye West hit, "Gold Digger."



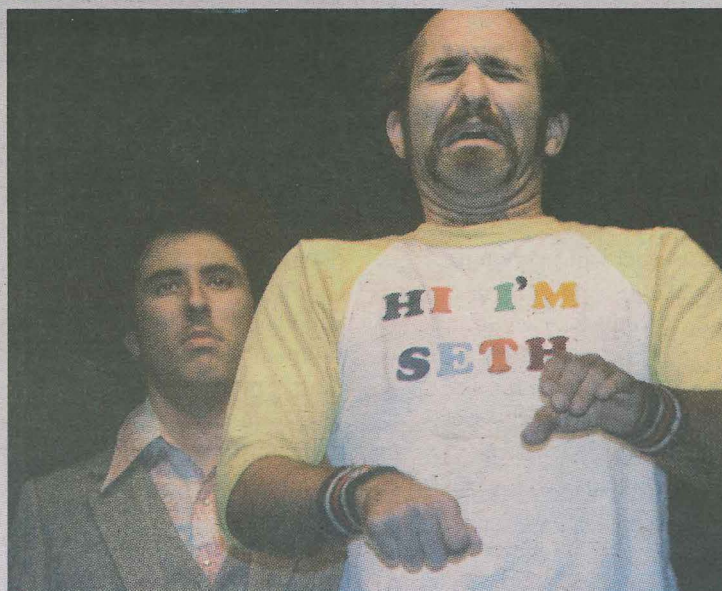
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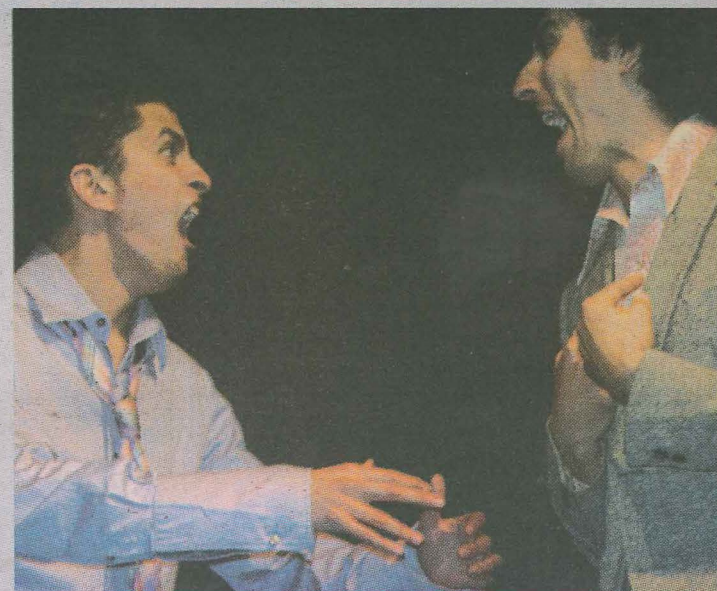
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(Top left) William Hung has never looked better. (Top right) Britney Spears has learned that a 5 o'clock shadow can be a side-effect of giving birth. (Left) The show's host played ringleader to the gender-bending circus. (Above) The flapper era was revisited in this bawdy act, a highlight of the evening.

Late Night Players knock 'em dead



Marta Peters/Stoutonia



Marta Peters/Stoutonia

If you went to the Late Night Players' show, you'd know why this picture is funny and who "Seth" is. You would also know why those guys are yelling at each other. If you didn't see the show, then you don't deserve to know. We'll have a review of this funny, funny show. □ □ □ □ □ □ □ □

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- >The Buffali, Stones Throw, 10 p.m., \$3.
- >Tracy Lea + Bentley T., Acoustic Cafe, 8 p.m., Free.

Friday, Oct. 21

- >Drunk Drivers + The Jaggerhaults + TBA, House of Rock, 10 p.m., \$5.
- >The Ride, Tailgates, 9:30 p.m., \$2.
- >Downer's Grove, The Mousetrap, 10 p.m., Free.
- >Attict + Mercy Killers, Mr. Heavy's, 9 p.m., \$5.
- >The Tony Monaco Trio, Stones Throw, 7:30 p.m., \$8 advance, \$10 day of show.

Saturday, Oct. 22

- >The Vehicle, Destini Artworks, 8 p.m., All ages.
- >The Ride, Tailgates, 9:30 p.m., \$2.
- >Elf Lettuce, The Mousetrap, 10 p.m., Free.
- >Black Flood Diesel + No Loving Place, Mr. Heavy's, 9 p.m., \$5.
- >Minnesota Guitar Wizards, Mabel Tainter Theater, 8 p.m., \$14 adults, \$12 students.

Sunday, Oct. 23

- >The Bear Creek Band, Klassix, After football game, Free.

Monday, Oct. 24

- >Open Stage w/ the Jones Tones, Klassix, 7:30 p.m., Free.
- >The Q-tet, Stones Throw, 9 p.m., Free.

Tuesday, Oct. 25

- >Lucky Creek Blues Band, Klassix, 7:30 p.m., Free.
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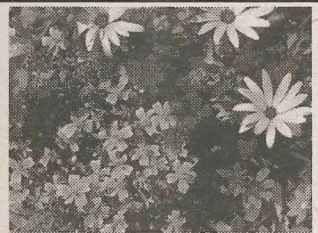
Wednesday, Oct. 26

- >House Band, Stones Throw, 9:45 p.m., Free.
- >Matt Wahl, Barley Club, 6-9 p.m., Free.

Thursday, Oct. 27

- >Rockin Robin, Klassix, 7:30 p.m., Free.
- >Frenzy, Tailgates, 9:30 p.m., \$2.
- >Catya, Fischer's on the Green, 7 p.m., Free.
- >Noel Hanson, House of Rock, 9 p.m., Free.

Have anything to add to the Campus Calendar? Send suggestions to Stoutonia@uwstout.edu

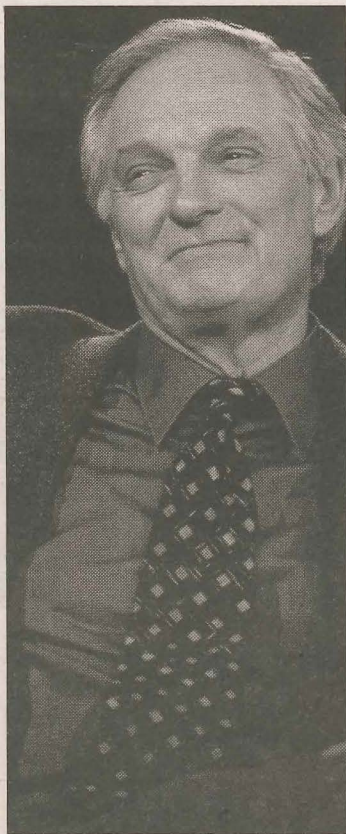


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Smits vs. Alda



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Who will be Martin Sheen's successor to the fictional White House? The contenders are Jimmy Smits (left) and Alan Alda (right). "The West Wing" airs Sundays on NBC.



Matt Schubbe
Entertainment Writer

I may need to start watching "The West Wing" because honestly, I've been passing over the show for far too long.

The writers are keeping it real, so to speak, by having an election.

Well, as real as a scripted television show can be, anyway. Seems more real than "Laguna Beach," at any rate.

But the best part of this situation has to be the candidates themselves.

Alan Alda (of "MASH" fame) and Jimmy Smits are slated to play the Republican and Democratic candidates respectively, which should make things mighty entertaining.

Both of these fellows are charming, no doubt about it, but that's about all they have in common. Well, aside from the fact that they were both heartthrobs of different generations: Alda during his 1970s run of "MASH," and Smits during the 80s and early 90s on "L.A. Law" and "NYPD Blue." This exciting turn of

events raises many questions. What will happen to the other supporting actors on the show?

A president chooses his cabinet and staff upon victory, which usually means that an entirely new set of people will be milling about the White House.

Will the cabinet and staff members from the current administration still be around, or will they just make a few guest appearances here and there?

And by the same token, how will the election actually be decided? Will the writers arbitrarily write out the story so that fans will only get to watch the story unfold?

There are a lot of message boards on the subject of this fictional election, almost as many as there were for the real 2004 election.

Wouldn't it be smarter for "The West Wing's" production staff to hold a national vote, like (winced) "American Idol"?

There are enough people interested, and it certainly would boost viewership from the interactivity of it. TV folks love that kind of stuff.

Either way this election/gimmick/publicity stunt has gotten me, a non-viewer, interested in the show.

Kudos to you, NBC, you crafty television masterminds. You've done it again.

Going down to Liztown

"Elizabethtown": fun but flawed film

Jarrod Burns
Entertainment Writer

In "Elizabethtown," Drew Baylor (Orlando Bloom) is the lead designer for a shoe company that will be, due to his failed design, losing a substantial amount of money.

With everything in his professional life gone, he turns to suicide. Drew must put his suicidal plan on hold when he is called home due to his father Mitch's death.

Drew's mother (Susan Sarandon) says that her husband's final wish was cremation, but her in-laws in Kentucky feel differently.

Drew is put in charge of flying to Elizabethtown, Kentucky, and telling his father's side of the family that he will be having his father cremated and will scatter the ashes back home in Oregon.

On his way to Kentucky, the defeated Drew meets a

quirky girl named Claire (Kirsten Dunst). They form an unusual relationship that will evolve during the course of the film.

Director Cameron Crowe's style of storytelling draws you in and makes you care about all the characters.

Orlando Bloom and Kirsten Dunst in the lead roles weren't half as convincing as the supporting cast.

Drew talks about his inner feelings and thoughts too often, and Claire is just too conveniently available to listen to his soul-searching.

The film's overall pace was good, but a strained and unusual ending does make you check your watch. The film's appeal was in its observational humor in universal experiences.

Most times I found myself enjoying the movie moment to moment, despite its pointlessness and lack of standard conclusion.

Almost worth the bounty



WHAT'S IT WORTH:
Price of a ticket. I'd actually pay to see this again.

Source: www.rottentomatoes.com

Keira Knightly guides the audience through the twisted, violent maze of bounty hunter Domino Harvey's life in Tony Scott's "Domino."

William Butchee
Entertainment Writer

Following her father's death, Domino Harvey (Keira Knightly) is put into a boarding school for most of her childhood.

During bad college and modeling experiences, Domino becomes a drifter, estranged from her overbearing mother.

One day after seeing an ad on a seminar on how to become a bounty hunter, she teams up with L.A. bounty hunters Ed Mosbey (Mickey Rourke) and Choco (Edgar Ramirez). This results in Domino getting involved in an armored car robbery and entangled with the mob and F.B.I.

Warning: watching this movie with the same mindset as watching an action movie or "normal" Hollywood movie will either give you a headache or simply make you mad.

"Domino" has action and comedy in the story but these are not the core focus; this movie is mainly

a biography of the real life of Domino Harvey. This is done with flashbacks, using filters, jump cuts and strange camera work to indicate at what point in time Domino is narrating.

Director Tony Scott used a similar style with "Man on Fire," but in "Domino" this style dominates the movie.

The entire movie takes place as Domino is handcuffed to a table across from F.B.I. agent Taryn Miles (Lucy Liu) who asks her a series of questions that trigger the lifelong journey she has endured.

The movie tries to keep the story linear but scenes overlap and sometimes play more than once as they are connected to other parts of the story.

This again is set apart with coloring filters and crazy stutter cuts that may question what type of movie this is. This type of movie is Domino's life: crazy and out of control.

Besides the editing, the different characters and wide variety of acting is what really shakes things up.

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“Trace” great for the casual gamer



Ami Kriho

Entertainment Writer

A drawing combination of mystery, character and game play would accurately describe “Trace Memory” for the Nintendo DS. By inducing the thinking skills of a mystery game with fully designed characters and game play that employs the interactive features of the DS, “Trace Memory” is a near-perfect casual game.

The graphics for the game are both real-time and pre-rendered. The touch screen displays an aerial view of movements in real-time, while the top screen shows the pre-rendered background of the current scenario. The real-time graphics are a bit blocky and the pre-rendered graphics don’t show much detail; overall, the graphics are average for the DS.

The music is good mystery music, if a bit reminiscent of Super NES MIDI music in terms of sound. It has a bit of an eerie theme to it, properly engaging the environment, but the music is more classical than supernatural. There are only a few tracks in the game,

and the tracks themselves are rather short, but repeat without being annoying.

The mechanics of the game employ many of the DS’s unique features. Of course there’s the touch screen, which does everything from moving Ashley (the game’s main character) around the area to dragging, investigating, scratching and solving puzzles. The two screens are used to superimpose pictures, reflect items from one screen to another and are even used as a stamp. The microphone is used to blow dust off of objects. Overall, the game is a great

example of showing off the DS’s enticing properties.

The best parts about this game are the game play and storyline. The story itself is realistic, unique and attractive, if a bit sad, and I personally wish more games were written like this. The characters are beautifully drawn and naturally composed, rich with feelings and mysterious personalities. Even the characters in the game that are dead have been given histories that make them—and the game—all the more alluring.

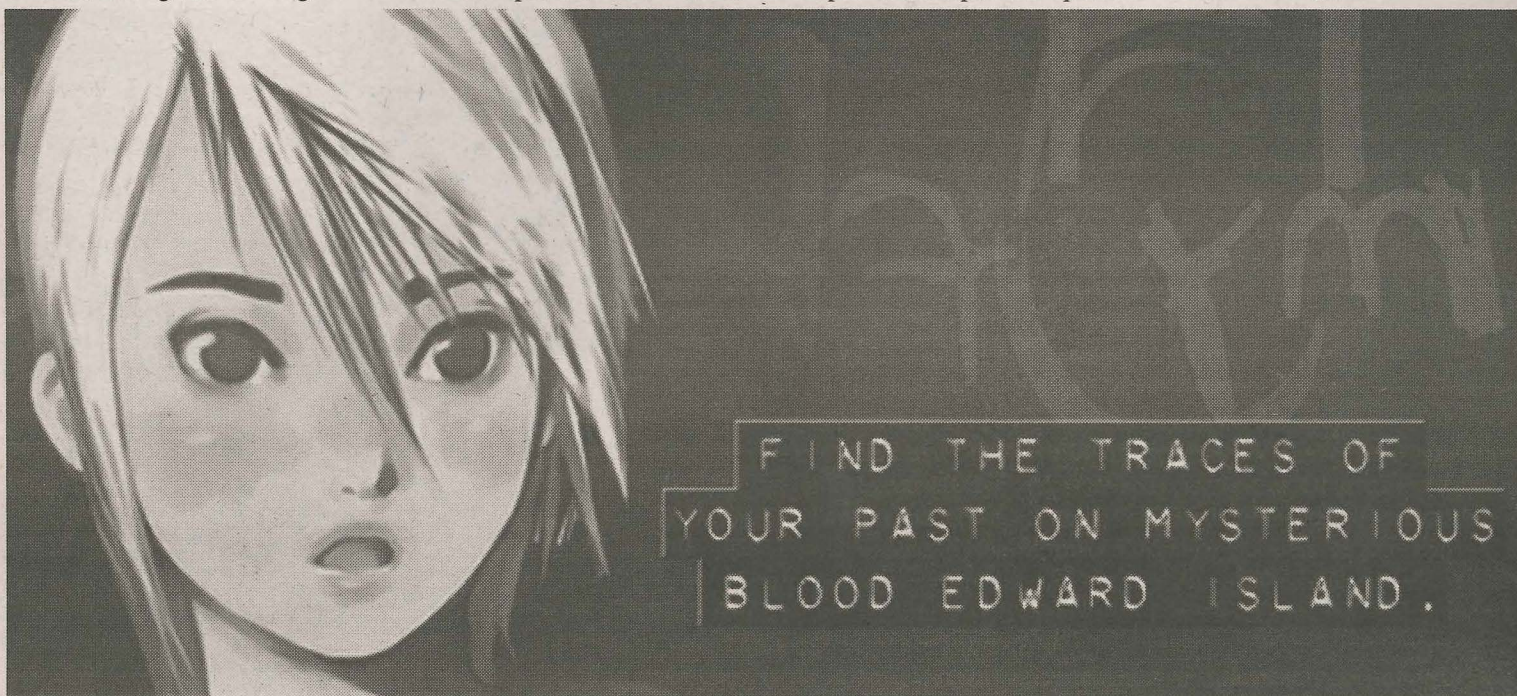
The puzzles of “Trace

Memory” aren’t too hard, but the key is to know where to look and to be able to think out-of-the-box. One thing that was bothersome is that certain items found early in the game couldn’t be picked up until they were needed. There would be a peculiar item early in the game, but I couldn’t pick it up until I found the puzzle connected to the item, which was followed by running back and getting the respective item.

Between every chapter, there would be a simple quiz asking about things learned in the previous chapter. The quizzes

were put in as a side-effect of the storyline, but other than that they served no purpose.

Although gamers looking for a lot of action will want to skip this (because there is absolutely no action), I highly recommend it for casual gamers and gamers looking for a change of pace. It’s a very short game, and I can’t see anyone taking more than five hours to beat it. By combining an in-depth storyline with great characters, puzzles, a high replay value and the DS’s features, “Trace Memory” is a great buy for the less serious gamer.



Source: www.gccafe.com

The best parts of the Nintendo DS’s “Trace Memory” are the game play and the storyline. Also, the characters are beautifully drawn and naturally composed. All in all, it’s a great buy for the less serious gamer.

Nickelback’s latest not worth a penny



Andrew Ridgeway

Entertainment Writer

“Look at this photograph. Every time I do it makes me laugh.” These are the opening lyrics from Nickelback’s single “Photograph,” off their new release “All the Right Reasons.”

Appropriately enough, this

release from Nickelback does just that: it makes me laugh.

This CD is that ridiculously horrible. Even compared to Nickelback’s previous mediocre releases, “All the Right Reasons” gave me all the right reasons to dislike this soft-core Canadian rock band.

The first track off the album is the aforementioned “Photograph.” This song is a nostalgic reflection on the feelings and memories of growing up.

It’s riddled with clichéd

lyrics and overused rhyme schemes. Take this sample:

“Kim’s the first girl I kissed, I was so nervous that I nearly missed.”

Aw, how cute. I doubt the lead singer, Chad Kroeger, could have thought of more unoriginal or meaningless lyrics if he’d tried.

Another track is called “Animals,” and it’s supposed to be the “heavy” track of the new album.

It starts off with a predictable chord progression and a choppy

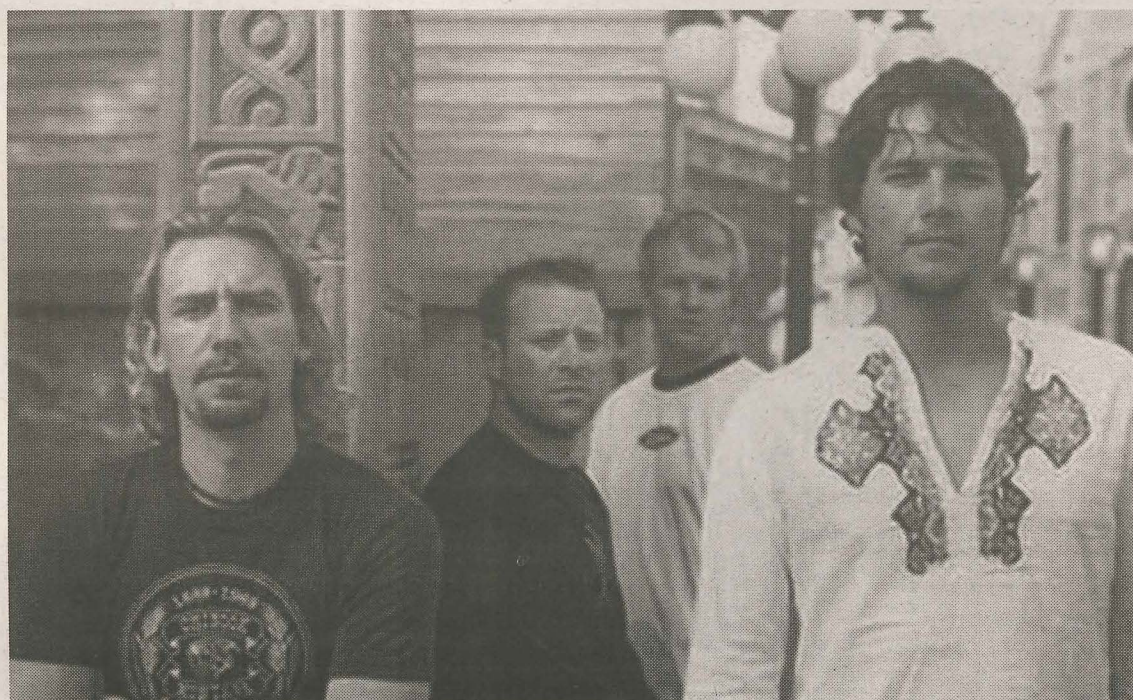
drum beat. When the lyrics come in, they are even choppy than the drum beat and have no melody whatsoever.

The topic of this song is the sexual activities that take place inside vehicles. Witness these wonderful lyrics: “Got your hand between my knees, and you control how fast we go by just how hard you wanna squeeze.”

And who could forget the poetic, “Oh please, the keys, they’re not in the ignition. Must have wound up on the floor while we were switching

our positions”? God, this song is terrible. It’s an insult to anyone who appreciates good songwriting and only serves to show how low this Canadian soft rock band is willing to sink to stay in the limelight.

“All the Right Reasons” gets one out of five stars. This CD only reinforces my belief that modern-day radio rock music is dead. With this new release, Nickelback succeeded in creating one of the most offensively lacking albums of their career.



Source: www.donationforynthia.com

Nickelback’s back. Who cares? Really, does anybody play their CDs besides sell-out disc jockeys? Their latest album, “All the Right Reasons,” is possibly the most offensively lacking of their career.

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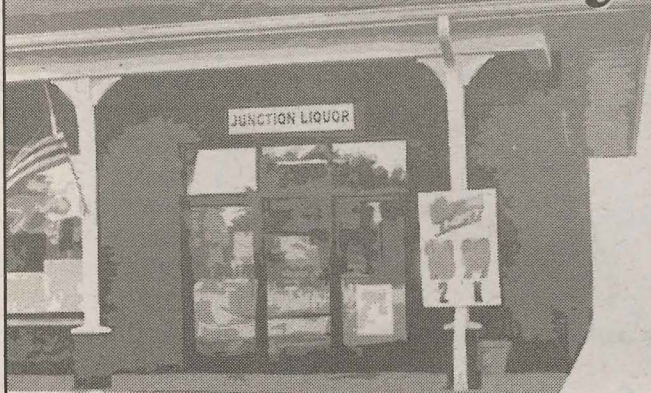
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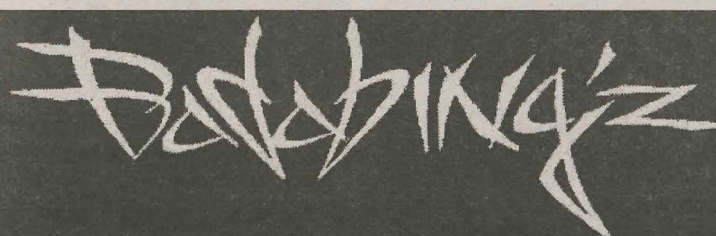
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Badgers triumph in Border Battle

By Ryan Scheuerman
Sports Writer

This weekend was the big Border Battle for Paul Bunyan's Axe, between the University of Wisconsin-Madison Badgers and the University of Minnesota Golden Gophers.

I was lucky enough to attend this event and get a first hand experience of what could be one of the most exciting games for the Badgers. Being a resident of this great state and living near Milwaukee, I'm obligated to root for Wisconsin.

The stadium attendance was almost sold out at about 64,000 people, mostly due to the large number of Wisconsin fans attending that day, which was about 30,000.

The game started out with a Wisconsin coin toss win. Both teams were pretty evenly matched throughout the first quarter, turning over the ball right after the other. Wisconsin was the first to put points up on the board, with a one-yard run into the end zone by Brian Calhoun. The Gophers answered right back in the second quarter, with a five-yard pass to Tony Mortensen to tie up the game at 7 to 7.

The quarter ended with field goals by both teams: a 44-yard field goal by Taylor Mehlhaff for Wisconsin and a 25-yard field goal by Jason Giannini of Minnesota. With a tied score of 10, it went into halftime.

The second half was a little sketchy for the Badgers. Wisconsin quarterback John Stocco had a very close encounter with a fumble, which was

safely recovered, but also forced the Badgers to punt.

Minnesota junior Laurence Maroney, ranked No.1 with 1,133 rushing yards in college football for NCAA Division 1-A, finally made his contribution to the board with an impressive 93-yard scurry into Wisconsin's end zone to take the lead. Wisconsin couldn't hang on to the ball and it was turned over back to Minnesota for a successful 49-yard field goal.

The Badgers did manage to get themselves back in with a 17-yard run by Calhoun; unfortunately, it wasn't enough when Gary Russel ran it back for the touchdown, giving Minnesota the lead at 27 to 17 going into the fourth quarter.

Badger fans still had hope, and there was plenty of time for them to buckle down and do what they needed. It didn't take long for Calhoun to run the ball in for his team.

The game continued with no score until there was 3:27 left on the clock. The Gophers put the game in the bag with a one-yard run for a touchdown by Russell.

Badger and Gopher fans were both assured that it was over with a score of 34 to 24 and about three minutes left on the clock. Minnesota went for a 43-yard field goal attempt to secure the game. It was missed by Giannini, giving the Badgers the slight opening they needed.

John Stocco redeemed the team with a 25-yard pass to Williams for the touchdown; however, it still did not appear good for the Badgers with only two minutes left on the clock.

The Badger's evident choice was to attempt an onside kick.

It was almost a success, as it was knocked out of Minnesota's hands and back towards their goal line, but they recovered it. The Badger's defense had a great game going and weren't about to let it up as they were forced to punt from their 10-yard line.

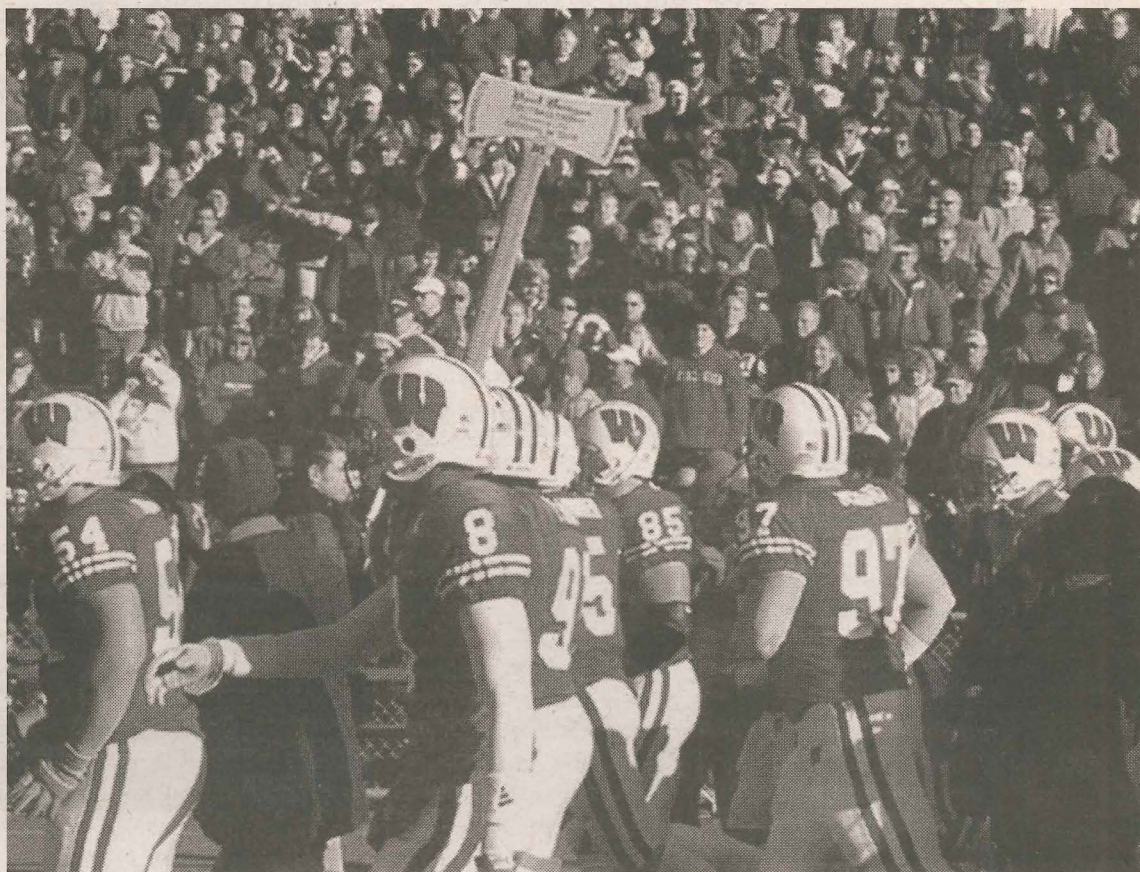
return and it was again recovered by Wisconsin, where they ran out the clock for an amazing victory.

I overheard many Badger fanatics saying this could have been one of the most amazing games they have seen performed.

The fans of red were over-

ebated by grabbing their right-fully earned axe and pretending to chop at the Gopher field goal. For those of you who don't know, the "axe" is a traditional symbol of victory, which the winner gets to keep.

Wisconsin has held it for two



Courtesy of www.uwbadgers.com
This picture shows masses of University of Wisconsin fans cheer as the Badgers defeated the University of Minnesota 38-34 in the annual Border Battle.

The Gophers relayed the ball back to kicker Justin Kucek, where it was fumbled, punted into Wisconsin's hands, and recovered in the end zone by Jonathan Casillas for the game winning score of Wisconsin 38, Minnesota 34.

It wasn't over quite yet; Minnesota fumbled their punt

whelmed with what they had just witnessed, those in yellow were also. Looks of dead expressions fell over Minnesota, while the Badger fans went wild.

It must have sucked to have been them, seeing your team fall so terribly in the last three minutes of a game, which looked like certain victory. The Badgers cel-

years, since the Badgers won the Border Battle at Camp Randall last year.

It was a well played game by Minnesota; they were ranked higher and had many rushing yards, with a total of 411. Yet, that wasn't enough to stop the mighty red from prevailing and claiming that axe for this year.

Stout tennis competes at WIAC tourney

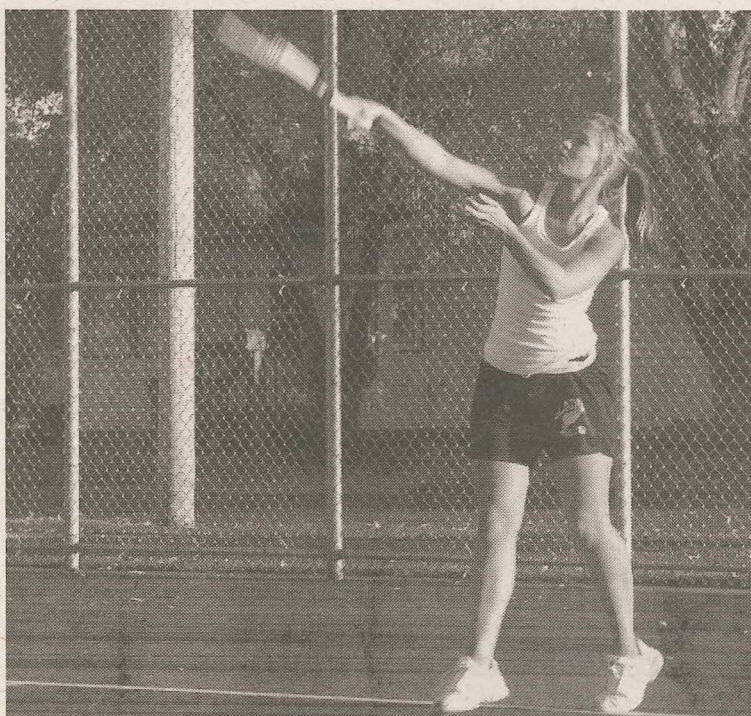
By Rachel Wick
Sports Writer

The University of Wisconsin-Stout's women's tennis team is having its best season since 1997. Coach Mark Noll hopes to use this momentum from a five team-winning streak to have a strong presence at this weekend's Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Conference Tournament at the University of Wisconsin-Madison.

"Hopefully we will have a better ending to our season this year," said Noll. "It is something that we have been striving for."

According to Noll, the past few years the team has been showing a steady progression of improvement. Last season the tennis team finished 4-10 overall, placing sixth in the WIAC and were 2-8 the previous year. In addition, the past two seasons UW-Stout took seventh at the conference tournament. Presently the team is (7-5, 2-4).

"I think shooting for fourth in our conference would be a great goal, a very hard goal to reach, but a great goal to try to achieve," said Noll.



Kiley Van Note/Stoutonia
Jenna Bettman practices on Tuesday as the team gears up for this weekend's Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Conference tournament

In the regular season, the players are seeded individually and how well they compete determines what seed they will be during the WIAC tournament and who they will play against. During the tournament, a player who is a No. 4 seed will play

against a No.5 seed right away. With this setup the players will play against an individual that they may have already beaten or came close to defeating. If the competitor wins their first match they then automatically get into the Final Four. Noll's goals for

the tournament are that all of his players that are competing make it into the Final Four. Since the conference tournament counts for two-thirds of a team's total points, teams can make a big jump.

"I hope that we can place fourth or fifth as a team, in doubles I hope that Jenna (Bettman) and I can place in the top four and that we all have a good time and enjoy ourselves," said team member Nicole Hayek. "We play Oshkosh in the first round for doubles and I think that should be a good match and we're hoping to get past them and to go on to the Final Four."

Noll credits his team's success to strong leadership demonstrated by his veteran players, as well as a strong team unity. He credits team captains Bettman and Hayek as well as Katie Brott to helping the younger players develop their skills. Noll also mentions that assistant coach Paul Mitchell does a great job working with the girls.

"Those three are so great to the younger ones," said Noll. "They lead by example and lead them by their actions and what they say. They are the kind of

people that you would want leading this young group of freshman and sophomores."

"We have a new crop of players on the team this year and with the return players that we have it was a very good mix of their relationships," said Noll. "They get along very well and that's a huge part in any athletic surrounding that you are going to be in."

"They enjoy coming to practice, they enjoy working hard, they enjoy competing against each other too and that is what brings out the best in you and that's part of why we've had a little bit of success this year."

With the WIAC tournament approaching, the team is working on refining their serving and their return serving skills.

"Serving and return serving are a big part of the game and how well the girls get along," said Noll. "That's why we were able to pull off a 7-5 record this year."

The Blue Devils will travel to UW-Madison on Friday with doubles play starting on Saturday and the singles portion of the competition on Sunday.

Blue Devils rugby team wins state

By Matt Edison
Sports Writer

The men's rugby team brought home the bacon this past weekend after defeating the University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point and earning the title of state rugby champions.

The rugby team has had a very successful season this year, and last weekend the team downed UW-Stevens Point 30-7.

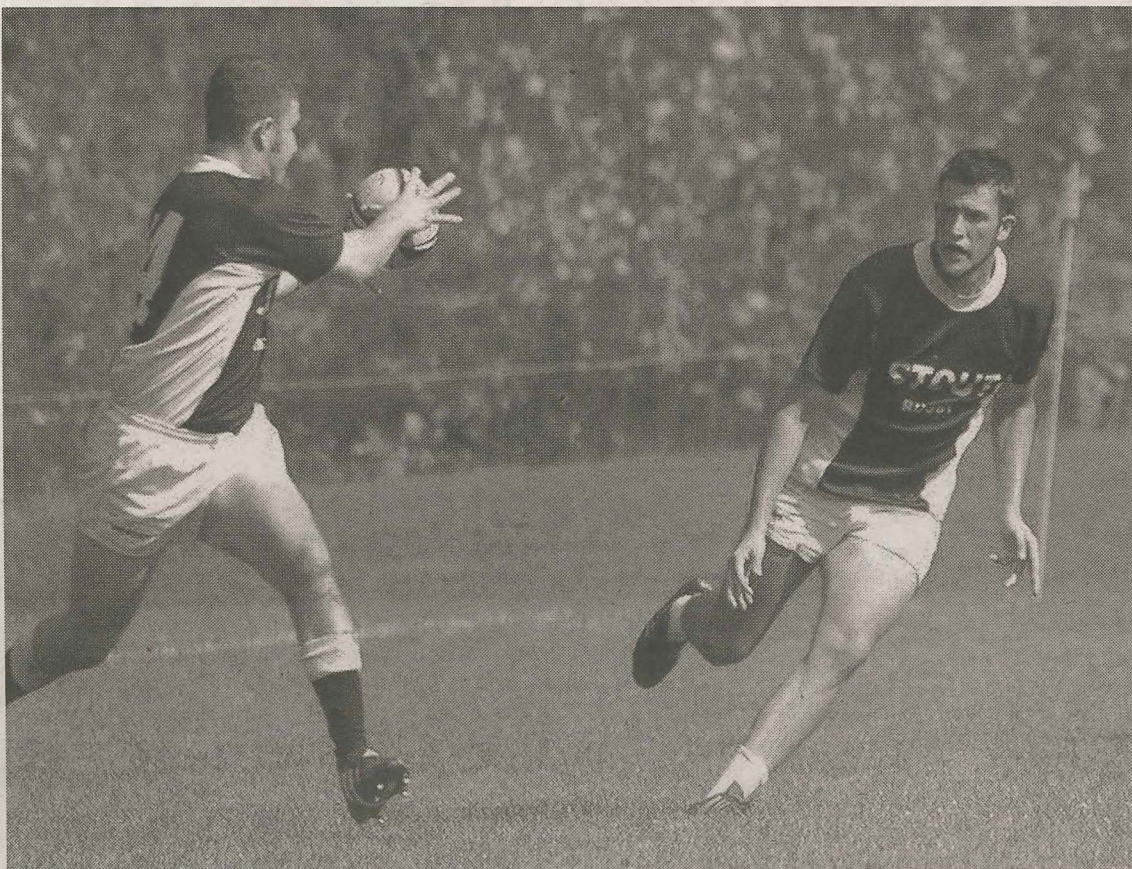
Their motto right now is "back on the top," meaning that last year was a disappointment, but this year they are back at it.

This is the sixth championship that the University of Wisconsin-Stout rugby team has earned in the last seven seasons.

The team is a No.1 seed in the Wisconsin playoffs and the only loss they suffered the entire season was to the University of Wisconsin-Madison.

The rugby team will be heading into the Rugby Union Sweet Sixteen playoffs within the next few days. If they win, they will then head to Columbus, Ohio, to play in the Final Four. If the team is victorious in the Final Four, they will go to the national tournament in April.

This year's seasoned starters include Mark Corbett, John Rue and Thomas Kai Cooper. These veterans have stepped up and helped to lead the team to a win-



The University of Wisconsin-Stout men's rugby team earned first place last weekend at the state championships in Stevens Point and in a few days will compete in the Rugby Union State playoffs.

ning season.

"We have taken advantage of our forwards this year in opening up the field more for them," said Max Zukowski, rugby team president.

The men's rugby team has four rookies who contributed to the winning season and they are

freshmen Issac Lemann, John O'Hearn, Andrew Bongert and Nick Corbett.

"[Rugby is the] best sport ever because there is lots of action and [it's] ten times more intense than football," said Issac Lemann, the team's flanker.

There are a total of 40 men on

the team with only 15 on the field at a time. Each player has their own role on the field on offense and defense.

"We are at a comfortable level as we head into the playoffs," said Zukowski.

This season was the first time that the men's rugby team

had a full time coach. Head coach Jeff Hickman teamed up with UW-Stout graduate Jacob Dahn, the assistant coach, in creating a new offense this season. As you can see by looking at the rugby team's record, it has paid off.

Rugby is played on a field similar to a football field, with an object similar to football. This sport is a mixture of football, basketball and soccer but minus any equipment.

It is common that a rugby player gets bruises, black eyes, sprains, cuts and sometimes broken bones while in the game.

After each match there is a recuperation period, which is usually 36 to 48 hours; this is a time when the players rest and regain their strength.

This sport is a full out contact sport in which the players are on a rampage to try to get the ball and score.

"After every game you can feel the pain and your whole body aches," said Lemann.

The men's rugby team is a club sport here at UW-Stout, which means that it is not part of the Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Conference.

There are no cuts that take place on the rugby team. This means it is open to anyone who wants to play, even UW-Stout faculty and staff.

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STOUTONIA'S Athlete OF THE Week

The University of Wisconsin-Stout's Jenna Bettman picked up a No. 1 singles win and teamed with Nicole Hayek on Saturday to improve the Blue Devils to 7-5 overall and 2-5 in the Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Conference.

Through the leadership of Bettman and fellow captain Nicole Hayek the team has finished the regular season with their best record since 1997.

UW-Stout will travel to the University of Wisconsin-Madison this weekend to compete in the WIAC Championships.

The Facts:

*Junior
Blaine, Minnesota
Fashion Merchandising
Bettman is co captain
of the tennis team and
has helped the Blue
Devils record their best
record since 1997*



Jenna Bettman
Tennis

Vikings / sex effects

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in some hookers from thousands of miles away to get action?

One thing is for sure: somewhere in California Randy Moss is smiling. And anyway, I thought one of the ideas behind getting rid of The Superfreak was to clean up the team's image and locker room chemistry.

This 2005 team makes Moss look like a model citizen.

One can just imagine what the locker room conversation must have sounded like the afternoon before the "Love Boat" launched onto the water.

Fred Smoot: "Hey guys, I rented a yacht and flew in some hookers. Who's in?"

Bryant McKinnie, Kevin Williams and Adam Goldberg: "Did somebody say hookers?

What time?"

Darren Sharper: "I can't go tonight, guys, my shoulder is acting up. Plus my achilles is sore and I think my calf is strained and ..."

Koren Robinson: "I don't know about this hooker thing, but if there's free drinks, I'm game!"

Smoot: "Coach Tice, you wanna go?"

Mike Tice: "No, you guys have fun. I just got some more tickets for the Packer game in a bet and I wanna see what I can get for 'em on eBay. Hey guys, don't forget to make it back by curfew ..." (Short pause followed by eruption of laughter by everyone in room).

Smoot: "Daunte, you in?"

Daunte Culpepper: "Well, the lake isn't close to my house

and I don't like long drives, but ..."

Smoot: "Shut up, Daunte, your wife won't find out. I mean, we'll be on a boat, how can we get in any trouble? Here's the directions." (Culpepper picks the paper off the floor after a fumbled exchange with Smoot).

McKinnie: "Okay, I'll scoop up Onterrio on the way so we'll have some stuff and I'll see you guys at 7 p.m."

Ah, yes, the ongoing saga of "As the Vikings Turn." I challenge anyone to find a more drama-laden program on daytime television. I guarantee that there isn't one.

Oh, did I mention that this dysfunctional group is playing a football game on Sunday against Green Bay?



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BLUE DEVIL
SCOREBOARDFOOTBALL (4-2)
17-9 FINAL

The UW-Stout football team gave UW-Eau Claire reason to celebrate as the Blue Devils gave up the 17-9 loss. UW-Stout will host UW-River Falls Saturday



CROSS COUNTRY

Both the men's and women's cross country teams will compete on Friday at the Lake Wissota Invitational

TENNIS (7-5)
4-0 ON THE WEEK

The team extended its five game winning streak

Next Match:

The Blue Devils will compete at the WIAC Championships

SOCCER (8-2-2)
2-0 FOR THE WEEK

The team defeated UW-La Crosse and UW-Platteville. The Blue Devils host UW-Eau Claire on Saturday

VOLLEYBALL
(14-11)

The volleyball team defeated UW-Stevens Point 3-1

Next Match:

The Blue Devils travel to UW-Superior on Wednesday



Shipwrecked Vikings



Photo courtesy of www.sports.yahoo.com

Chicago Bears fans taunt the Minnesota Vikings on Sunday as the team is defeated following the "Love Boat" controversy involving several of the Viking's star players.



Bryan Horwath
Columnist

While watching football last Sunday, did anyone catch the latest episode of that new soap opera "As the Vikings Turn"? It was a good one.

As if the Minnesota Vikings weren't having a bad enough time on the field this year, the lowly Chicago Bears spanked the disinterested Vikings 28-3. Some

onlookers in the media called it the worst performance they have seen from the team in years.

Wait, it gets better. For those who might not have heard, last week around 20 of our friendly purple warriors from across the river rented a boat for a nice little party on Lake Minnetonka.

Sounds like a good time, right? Well, allegedly, the players really went all out for this one because reports surfaced soon after that women were hired—some from the Atlanta area—and flown in to perform sex acts.

Female workers on the cruise, after enduring repeated solicitation from drunken 260-

pound football players/outlaws, convinced the captain of the boat to turn back well before the scheduled duration of the five-hour voyage.

The whole escapade is currently under investigation by the Minneapolis Police and authorities in Georgia.

Yes, it seems as though these players have taken their Viking identity a little too far. I guess they thought that playing for Minnesota's NFL team meant that they could actually take to the sea (or lake) and act like actual Vikings.

The last part of the previous sentence was a joke, but the past

few weeks for the Vikings have not been. This franchise is in total disarray and needs to be cleaned from top to bottom. That means firings and lots of it.

Whoever is found to have broken the law on that boat should not only be prosecuted to the fullest extent of the law but should also be kicked off the team. Period. Prostitution and sexual harassment are low-life crimes, and if all of these things really happened as reported, new team owner Zygi Wilf should make big changes.

Scalping Super Bowl tickets when you are a head coach (Mike Tice) or getting caught in an airport with something called "The Original Whizzinator" after you failed two drug tests already and your job depends on not failing another (Onterio Smith) are both stupid things to do. They are not, however, uncivil and totally anti-social behaviors.

Getting a little tipsy and telling a young woman who is merely trying to do her job that she should strip and perform sexual favors for you is disrespectful and wrong, especially when it's a gigantic NFL player giving out the orders.

Seriously, all criminal behavior aside, how pathetic are you if you're an NFL player with a truckload of cash in the bank and celebrity status anywhere you go in Minnesota and you have to fly

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Blue Devils take on River Falls

By Bryan Horwath
Sports Writer

After two tough conference losses on the road to the University of Wisconsin-Oshkosh and the University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire, the University of Wisconsin-Stout football team returns to action Saturday at Williams Stadium for the all-important homecoming tilt against the University of Wisconsin-River Falls.

A seven-point loss followed by a 17-9 squeaker (the score was 14-9 until just over a minute left in the fourth quarter) to the hated Bugolds have put a serious kink in UW-Stout's plans for a WIAC championship.

"We went on the road the past two weeks in tough places to play and we could have won both games," said coach Todd Strop. "As soon as we figure out how to win these games, we will go from being a good program to a great one."

The silver lining for the Blue Devils is that a homecoming win will put UW-Stout right back in a position to make some noise in the WIAC race with the University of Wisconsin-La Crosse and the University of

Wisconsin-Whitewater on the horizon in the next two weeks.

UW-Stout (4-2, 1-2) will face a UW-River Falls team that has also lost two close games in a row, but the Falcons did upset UW-Oshkosh 13-10 earlier in the season. UW-River Falls, a tradi-

game so far this season, a difficult challenge.

The Blue Devils ground game, while being riddled with injuries, is no slouch either, as Andy Reese is averaging 4.9 yards per carry. Reese carried the ball 26 times against the Bugolds



Andrew Mannique/Stoutonia

This Blue Devils 4-2, 1-2 will take on the University of Wisconsin-River Falls this weekend to bounce back from Saturday's loss.

tionally running team, leads the conference in rushing offense and is the WIAC leader with a 46 percent third down conversion rate.

Jeremy Wolff and Nathan Anderson both average more than 100-yards per game on the ground for the Falcons and provide UW-Stout's defense, which is allowing only 15.3 points per

in his first action after recovering from an early season knee injury.

The UW-Stout passing attack also will be a key in the game as Jesse Wendt, coming off a 100-yard receiving performance against UW-Eau Claire, will once again provide Keldric Stokes with a big target in the secondary.

UW-Stout has defeated UW-

River Falls four of the past five years, but the lone loss for the Devils came in a resoundingly disappointing 28-10 thrashing at the hands of the Falcons last year in River Falls. UW-Stout has no doubt been reminded of the 2004 game this week by coach Todd Strop and his staff.

Wendt is in the top five in five different WIAC offensive categories: touchdowns, scoring, receiving yards and receptions. The wide receiver also was nominated this past week for conference player of the week honors.

UW-River Falls has not had a winning record since 2000, and a loss Saturday will ensure another non-winning campaign.

Strop will be looking for his 10th win in his tenure at UW-Stout, while UW-River Falls' John O'Grady is at 91.

Running back Ryan Englebert, injured since early in the season, is not listed on UW-Stout's two-deep depth chart for the game with UW-River Falls.

UW-Stout's defense was swarming against UW-Eau Claire with eight players recording six or more tackles. A repeat performance will bode well versus UW-River Falls' top of the line rushing offense.

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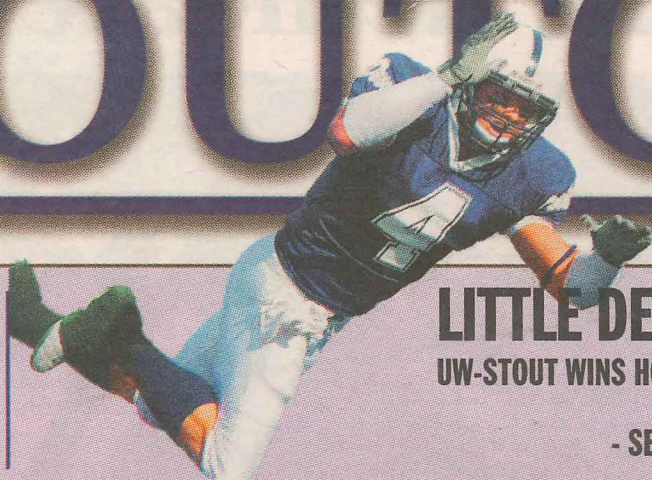
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UW-Stout to become polytechnic

By Kristie Willson
News Writer

Becoming a polytechnic university is an idea that has been discussed for more than two years. It would make the University of Wisconsin-Stout stand out from the one hundred or more colleges and universities that are closely ranked with us, with less than fifteen well known polytechnic universities across the United States.

In the late eighteenth and early nineteenth centuries the concept of a polytechnic university originated in France. It was created with the idea of using science and technology to solve everyday problems. There were acts passed called the Morrill Acts, to promote liberal and practical education in industrial classes.

There are certain characteristics of a modern day polytechnic university:

breadth, science and technology, educational theory and practice, technology transfer, technology colleges and technology integration. These may sound familiar because they are some of the UW-Stout strengths. According to dictionary.com, the exact definition of a polytechnic

institution is "a technical school offering instruction in many industrial arts and applied sciences."

"Most polytechnics relate to two-year tech colleges in a seamless way so that a student with a two year degree in a technical area can come to a

polytechnic and finish that four-year program," said Chancellor Charles Sorenson.

There are many advantages that come along with becoming a polytechnic university. It will represent our strengths,

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Halloween cancelled?

Madison officials don't want visitors

By Jessica Boe
News Writer

Thousands of students from the University of Wisconsin-Stout and other universities across Wisconsin and Minnesota travel to Madison to celebrate Halloween.

State Street is the most popular destination in Madison, and after students have "vacationed" there for the night, the city is left in near shambles.

Past festivities have left shattered glass bottles, broken windows, graffiti, disorderly conduct tickets and lots of underage drinking fines.

This has brought on strong feelings from the city of Madison and its police force against out of town visitors. This year Madison hopes to decrease the number of visitors and gain better control over the inevitable crowds.

In an attempt to aim for a safe and peaceful weekend for local residences and businesses, Madison has enlisted extra help.

According to the city of Madison Web site article, Halloween 2005: Rules of the Road, "To ensure that happens, local officials, including the Mayor's office, Police Department, Fire Department, University of Wisconsin leaders and others have developed a comprehensive plan to maintain public safety.

"The plan includes "staffing State Street with the Special Events Team (SET) of MPD, along with SET officers from

the Dane County Sheriff's Office, UW Police Department, Wisconsin State Patrol, Middleton Police Department and horse mounted officers from the State Capitol Police.

"The Central District has also developed plans to serve downtown neighborhoods. [They] have increased staffing with additional mobile teams of officers to deal with unruly house parties.

"[They] intend to take strong enforcement action with these large unruly parties that plague our neighborhoods. In addition [they] will increase the number of patrol units, and each unit will have two officers to handle calls for service.

"[They] will have investigative resources available for immediate deployment along with a command structure designed to coordinate all law enforcement resources."

Also, fines have been significantly increased—some have been tripled. Individuals who violate any of the laws will be removed from State Street and processed by the Police Department in a procedure that will likely take several hours to complete.

A traffic diversion plan will start at 8 p.m. that sends traffic to John Nolen Dr. to traverse the isthmus.

Vehicles will not be able to cross State Street once the traffic plan is put in place. It is in the

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Homecoming fun for all



Andrew Manrique/Stoutonia

Sporting a homemade UW-Stout sweatshirt and enjoying halftime on the field, this little tyke stole the attention from the Blue Devil football players who won the homecoming game on Saturday. For more homecoming pictures, see the homecoming spread on pages 10 and 11.

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Weather

Friday 10-28 56° / 36° Sunny
Saturday 10-29 58° / 41° Mostly Cloudy
Sunday 10-30 54° / 38° Showers
Monday 10-31 56° / 35° Mostly Sunny
Tuesday 11-01 49° / 33° Partly Cloudy
Wednesday 11-02 48° / 35° Cloudy
Thursday 11-03 49° / 33° Partly Cloudy

Bell monument dedicated on Sat.

By Kristie Wilson
News Writer

There was a bell monument dedication held on Saturday, Oct. 22, following the homecoming parade right outside Micheels Hall.

Since the University of Wisconsin-Stout added the bell, it was said that it could be heard for up to four miles. Once the bell got to the point where it was too expensive to repair, it became silent, but still alive. Students would go up to the bell and ring it for special events, until it cracked. An electronic carillon, set to ring every quarter hour, then replaced it. In 1997, the bell was taken down and five new bells were installed.

To preserve the original bell and its history, there was a bell monument built in the grassy knoll right outside Micheels Hall. The bell stands to represent the history, a passage to a promising future and the best part of the bell monument is that the students got to help design it. The design students included David Larson, David Loewe and Deborah Podsedly.

"I am happy the bell structure was able to be designed on campus by the students here at Stout," said Ben Pratt, associate professor of art and design, who helped the students.

The bell was dedicated to including the university, the alumni and the community. They also had original sketches from the design at the dedication, and the students who helped were there to answer any questions after the dedication.

"It ties to the university, alumni and the community," said Bob Heuermann, Assistant Chancellor for University Advancement on the bell.

Each pillar of the design not only relates to Bowman Tower, but also to the University of Wisconsin-Stout.

The four pillars stand for honor, skill, learning and industry, which are engraved on the benches surrounding the monument. The red bricks represent the brick on the original home of the bell.



Lindsey Schult/Stoutonia

The bell that hangs above these benches was originally in the tower above Bowman Hall. It was taken down in 1997 and was given a dedication this weekend after the homecoming parade.

Civil rights activist passes away

By Steve Tietz
Columnist

Rosa Parks, an advocate of civil rights but more importantly equal rights for African Americans in the South and across the nation, died this past Monday at the age of 92. Her actions fifty years ago this December in Montgomery forged the beginnings of the Civil Rights movement of the 60s and 70s.

Although Parks was not the first African American to refuse giving up her seat to a white man, there were two others who were arrested the same year, she was the first to challenge the law. Parks challenged the law with the help of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored

People (NAACP). Unfortunately for Parks, the fine she received, as well as the law, stood.

After Parks' conviction and citation in Montgomery, Alabama, a new form of protest, boycotting, began.

For 381 days, 42,000 African Americans boycotted the city's transit system by walking to work or carpooling; the boycotts were so important and large that it required the formation of a group known as the Montgomery Improvement Association.

The newly appointed pastor of the Dexter Avenue Baptist Church was also chosen to lead the organized boycotts. His name was Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.

Although Parks was not at the helm of the boycotts

or the leader of the fight to end injustice, she was there supporting, encouraging and doing all she could to end the wrongs. It was her stand against persecution and injustice that paved the way for change, and for many wrongs against blacks to be publicly acknowledged.

Some say had it not been for Rosa Parks there may have never been a following of King. However, others believe that King would have paved his way to success with or without the help of Parks.

Parks just provided the assistance to let King's words be heard. Because of this, Parks became a staple in American history and literature.

Parks was awarded the Congressional Gold Medal of

Honor in 1999, the nation's highest civilian award. This award was given to her because her actions changed a nation. After many years she was finally nationally recognized for her achievements in trying to create a more just and unbiased world.

The fight against injustice may never end, but Parks proved that in America, everyone is allowed to fight for what they feel is right and that the fight does not have to be violent.

Not once did Rosa Parks create a violent scene in attempting to create justice.

Parks' death brings about the end of an era that many children will read in elementary school and study the movements that followed her actions all through the rest of their education.

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STEVENS RENTAL

**Citations for Oct. 21-Oct 23**

- 1 Criminal citation/complaint for criminal damage to property. 29 UAD (1st offense)
- 2 Open container
- 1 Urinating in public
- 1 Off-road operation of MV

Stolen laptop

Report of a stolen laptop in South Hall. The complainant, Matthew Marshall, reported his university issued laptop computer stolen from the fourth floor study lounge.

Tamper with Tainter House

The staff at the Louis Smith Tainter House discovered a number of the windows on the first floor unlatched at closing time. It is possible that someone who had legitimate business in the house may have unlatched the windows, but did so for reasons unknown, or to return when the house was locked, thus gaining entry through an unlatched window.

Vehicle damage

David Peterson said his vehicle had been struck in lot 34 while it was parked. A black mark and small dent on the rear quarter panel were evident. He also found a note left by the party who struck his vehicle.

Police course for drunks

Police set up a course to help the Alcohol Assistance Program by allowing students to drive around in golf carts while wearing fatal vision glasses. The University of Wisconsin-Stout parking department donated their traffic cones so that those registered in the program would have to swerve around the cones while trying not to hit them.

Gun on campus

Someone from within the AF residence hall called the police because they saw a person carrying a long gun into the building. The police were unable to find anyone of this description with a weapon on the premise and told the front desk to keep watch.

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best interest for people attending to carpool.

If you plan on attending Madison this year to celebrate Halloween, keep this information in mind and be respectful to the city, before the city makes it impossible for visitors to come at all.

An alternative idea for students who still want to party is to stay in Menomonie.

"I think everyone should just come here," said Dustin Mack, a senior in packaging. "Stout can be the new Madison."

Madison Drinking Fines

Open Container	\$291
Glass Ban on State Street	\$291
Underage Drinking	\$166
(second offense in 12 months)	\$291
Fake ID	\$416
On Premise	\$353.50
Furnishing	\$350 (per person furnished to)
Disorderly Conduct	\$416
Dispensing Alcohol (without a permit)	\$666

Poly / new for campus

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which would give students more of a reason to work harder on maintaining what we already study. It would reinforce our skills and give us the push to develop programs that will keep UW-Stout competitive.

Becoming a polytechnic university would give us another name to make us stand out from other universities, which will give UW-Stout more recognition.

Polytechnic would not only bring us above our recent competitors of the UW System, it would also bring us above universities all around.

It could possibly have an

impact on faculty and staff, including professional and staff development. It would reflect the hard working, hands-on university that we already are.

"It would brand us differently than say other schools in the UW System or Minnesota," said Diane Christie, UW-Stout Professor in bio-informatics, a program that already fits the polytechnic mold.

Higher education has been improving quickly with the budgets, competitions and other challenges that come along.

Becoming a polytechnic university doesn't mean things

will change at our school for the worse, but for the better.

"I think it would be a good idea because it's something more concrete, it directly relates what's going on in society," said Tom Wittrock, a freshmen in applied science.

"It would be advancing what we already have that can be used in everyday things. You're work will show more directly."

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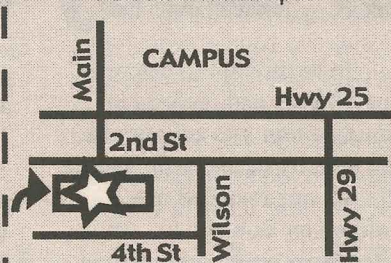
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Body Found

A 21-year-old college student from Illinois was found in Mississippi River after the student had been missing for two weeks. Her body was found in a chicken coupe that had burned down four days prior. Authorities identified her after they matched up her dental records. There were more than 40 FBI members in search of the lost student, along with family, friends and local authorities.

Dress Code

The NBA is trying to clean up its image by enforcing a strict dress code. The idea is that if the NBA has its players dress in suits and ties, as opposed to whatever they want, their image will not be as tarnished. The new dress code will be labeled as business casual.

Get your mammogram

Mammograms prove to be very helpful in the early detection of

breast cancer, helping women to live longer, with less of a risk of death from the disease. The study was based on seven analysis of 43 different researchers' studies. Since mammograms have been so publicly advertised, the rate of death due to breast cancer has gone down seven percent. Women entering their early 40s and above are urged to get tested for the disease.

Einstein e-mail

A new study has found that even though Albert Einstein did not have the technological advantages of e-mail, he did respond to his mail in a way similar to how people today respond to their e-mail. Einstein received roughly 16,200 pieces of mail in his lifetime and only responded to a quarter of them. This is much like the amount of e-mail people receive today and around the amount they respond to, said the study. Fifty-three percent of Einstein's responses were given within the first 10 days.

Self help books don't help

The number of self-help books that have come out in the past 10 years has doubled. This in return spawned all of the reality television shows. The reason that these shows and books are not of as much help as they claim is because they claim to help individual problems while focussing

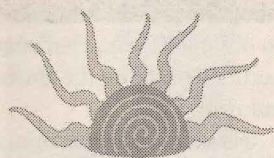
on subjects that are of social content. According to sociologist Micki McGee, this means the individual still has to swim upstream in order to accomplish the goal set for them by the book. This makes their problem even worse and could have completely backwards effects. McGee claims that therapy is best.

Cardio can wait

Most people do their cardio workout before they lift weights. However, new studies have found that it is much more effective to do the reverse and lift weights before doing cardio. This is due to the fact that when you strength train, so much energy is needed to maintain control that doing cardio first will make lifting weights less effective. Instead, warm up for several minutes on the treadmill and save the full cardio workout for the end of the session.

Red or white

King Tutankhamen (King Tut) drank red wine, as discovered recently by researchers. This was discovered after they found a tool that could detect what color ancient wine was. Wine bottles in King Tut's grave were marked according to the year of harvest, the name of the product and the provider of the wine.



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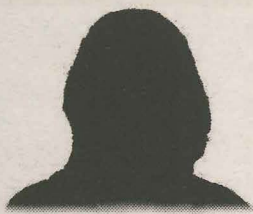
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Visitors not welcome in Madison



Staff Editorial The Stoutonia Staff

Most people are probably aware of the festivities that take place in Madison around this time every year. After all, it has been mentioned in such magazines as Maxim and Sports Illustrated.

But this year, things are going to be different. Or so they say.

Letters have been sent, and University of Wisconsin-Madison students have been warned that out-of-town guests are not going to be allowed in the dorms from

Friday, Oct. 28, through Tuesday, Nov. 1.

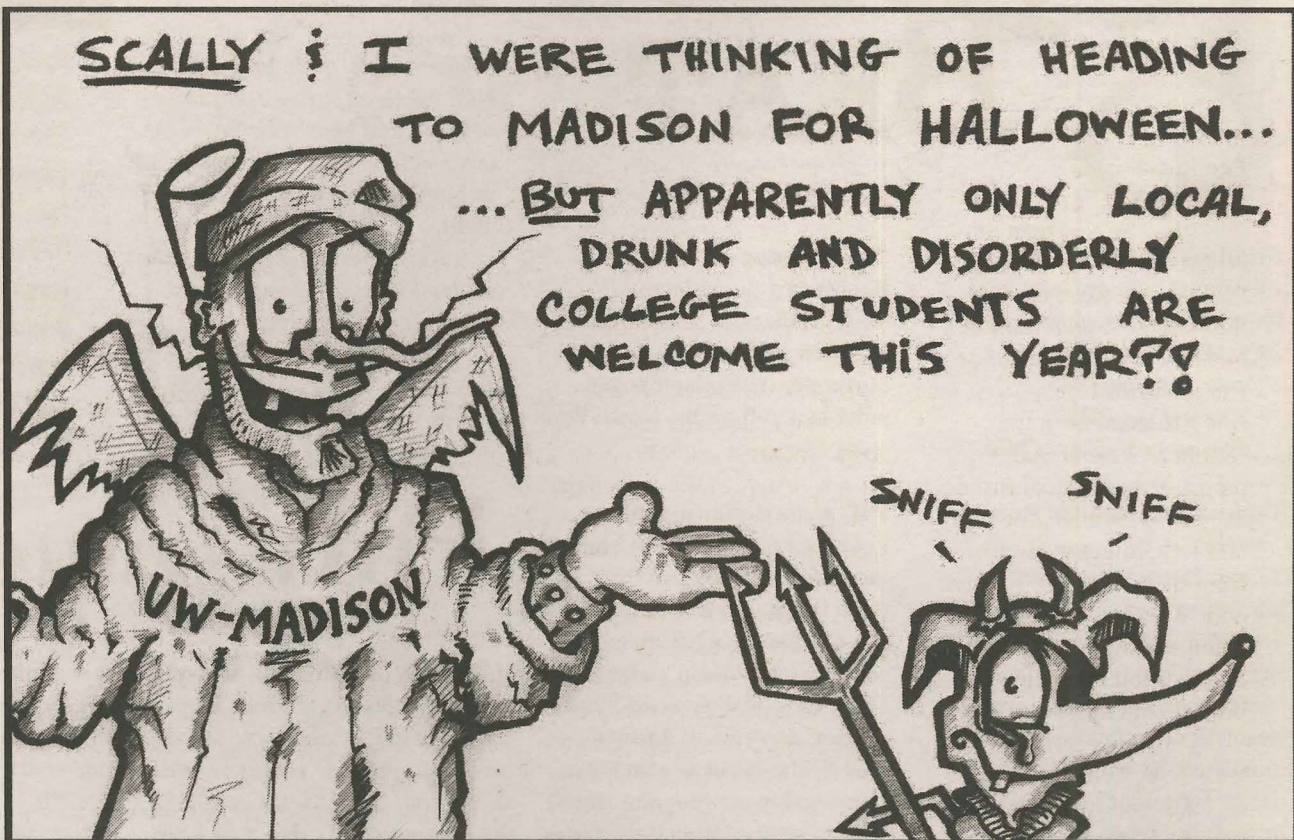
The Stoutonia received one of these letters from the editorial board of UW-Madison's newspaper, *The Daily Cardinal*. In this letter, it is stated that, "The decision is yours. Please heed our advice: have fun, be safe, but do it in your own city."

Part of the reasoning behind this is believed to come from the large number of tickets that are given to non-Madison students each year. And this year, fines have tripled, according to the aforementioned letter.

According to an Oct. 23 article in the *Wisconsin State Journal*, "of the 450 arrests last year, 59 were of UW-Madison students, according to city records." Students from Minnesota seem to stand out as a majority.

According to the same article, 27 percent of the citations given to visiting students were issued to students from Minnesota.

Another concern that is believed to be bringing about this change is safety.



Fires have been started in past years, including 2004, and riots break out just about every year. And when students don't leave State Street when the police want them to, out comes the pepper spray.

But can that many students really be stopped from going to Madison and going to State Street? Sure you can tell people not to come, but for some, it may make them want to go even more.

Out of town students are not being allowed to enter the dorms for any reason, not even to use a bathroom but there are

enough other places for students to stay. Fraternities and sororities are not banning anyone, and there are plenty of students that live in apartments off-campus, where people can go.

Some at *The Stoutonia* meeting thought that going to Madison for Halloween could be compared to going to New Orleans for Mardi Gras, or to Times Square for New Year's Eve, in that there really is no way to stop that many thousands of people from going there.

It was also brought up that the city, as well as businesses on State Street, must make

quite a bit of money over the course of the weekend.

Sure there is a lot of money spent on cleaning up the city in the days following the celebration, but how much money is taken in when you give out 450 citations?

So what should be done? Should students still go to Madison to celebrate Halloween, or should they be staying in their own towns to party and possibly cause a few riots?

The choice really is yours. The most important thing is that no matter where you go, be sure to be safe and follow the rules.

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Karl Rove, Scooter Libby scandal



Brian Legg Columnist

It's beginning to crumble. The facade of an impenetrable wall of security surrounding the White House is turning out to be smoke and mirrors.

By the time this comes out, two top White House officials could already be indicted on federal charges.

In case you haven't heard, Karl Rove (often referred to as the architect of George W. Bush's presidency) and Scooter Libby (Vice President Cheney's chief of staff) both have been implicated in the outing of a CIA operative.

Here's a summary of why this matters: the Bush administration was making the case for war with Iraq based on intelligence that Saddam Hussein had weapons of mass destruction, in breach of UN sanctions.

This was really no news, since most of the world was aware of this, hence the weapons' inspectors already in Iraq at the time.

In an attempt to boost the case of Iraq as an imminent threat worthy of taking pre-emptive military action against, the Bush administration began citing Saddam's alleged attempts to reconstitute a nuclear weapons program.

The now infamous phrase, "We don't want the smoking gun to be a mushroom cloud," became the mantra of this new rationale.

Ambassador Joe Wilson was sent to Niger by the CIA to investigate claims that Saddam Hussein was attempting to buy enriched uranium from them for such purposes. He was recommended by his wife, a CIA agent working on weapons of mass destruction intelligence.

When he returned, Wilson reported that he found very little evidence to support the claim and became vocally critical of the administration when it disregarded his findings.

In an attempt to discredit Joe Wilson, and perhaps intimidate him into submission, the identity of his wife, Valerie Plame, was revealed in a column by Bob Novak, who cited "two senior administration officials."

Hmm, I wonder who those could be?

While at the time of writing this, the charges still remain speculative; there have been reports that Rove and Libby have been advised that they are in legal jeopardy.

The major charges could involve parts of the Espionage Act of 1917, as well as obstruction of justice and perjury. Several Republicans have gone into pre-indictment spin mode.

Senator Kay Bailey Hutchison said she hopes indictments will be, "on a crime and not some perjury technicality where they couldn't indict on the crime and so they go to something just to show that their two years of investigation was not a waste of time and taxpayer dollars."

This same senator was

quite animate in pushing for the impeachment of Bill Clinton on charges of perjury.

But this case isn't just about two top officials/hatchet men getting caught doing what they always do.

This is about national security. This is the outing of a CIA agent for political gain. This is about high level intimidation of anyone who challenges assertions made by the Bush administration.

This is about an administration that has used dirty tactics to get to the top, and dirtier and more reckless ones to stay there. This is about a case for war so weak that it needed to be hyped beyond a level that was concealable.

Regardless of how you feel about spreading freedom and democracy in Iraq, that was not the reason we invaded that country.

It was because they were supposedly an imminent threat to our national security. Now it turns out the real threat may have been much closer to home than we had thought.



Letters to the Editor

If you wish to submit a Letter to the Editor, letters can be sent to stoutonia@uwstout.edu. Letters must be no longer than 250 words and must be submitted by 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday in order to run in that week's issue.

Feminism

We, The Newman Student Association, are writing this because we sponsored the October 4 presentation by Sally Winn on behalf of Feminists for Life.

A statement in the October 13 *Stoutonia* report that really confused us was: Feminists for Life aim to "protect women from themselves." Frankly, none of us remember Ms. Winn saying this, but we did hear loud and clear a pro-woman message.

Ms. Winn pointed out that there were two waves of feminism, the first, the one they are trying to reclaim, emphasized the need for society to change to adapt to women – for example, letting women vote. The second wave functioned to change women to

fit a male-dominated society.

Yale University offers money for free abortions but does not give a single dollar to aid young women who want to carry their babies to term.

This is a sign of a societal problem and affects the choices women make. The reality is that one in every five abortions is performed on college students and one out of ten college women will become pregnant this year.

We sense that the reporter was preoccupied with the issue of criminalization of abortion and so missed the main message: the overwhelming reason women choose abortion is the lack of emotional and financial support to bring their children to birth, and the FFLA's main goal is to change society to provide this support.

The Newman Student Association



Matt Schubbe

Columnist

I am pretty annoying. Well, let me rephrase that: I CAN BE pretty annoying when given the right opportunity.

Case in point: homecoming weekend. And, yes, I am aware that nearly everyone comes out of their shell on homecoming, but this is a little bit different.

This year at homecoming, I was one-fourth of a parade float. I say one-fourth because I was one letter of an acronym, so that is technically an accurate fraction.

I was asked by two of my roommates, both officers in the campus organization IRHA (Inter-Residence Hall Association), if I could help them with their float. I naturally agreed, thinking I'd be pinning daisies to chicken wire.

That ended up being nearly the exact opposite of what they wanted to do.

As you can guess by my

earlier attempt at mathematical humor, I was asked to take on the role as a physical representation of one of the letters in IRHA.

I happened to be the "H." We didn't want to do a lot of work to "become" the letters, so we did the easiest and least expensive thing possible: body painting.

Right before the parade we all took turns basically lying on the ground outside while another person drew with blue paint the outline of our letter on our chests.

Then we were responsible for filling in the letter with white paint, in a manner much like sunscreen.

As a side note, paint is very cold when it's around 40 degrees outside, as it's being applied to a nearly hairless manchest such as my own. I was REALLY cutting glass out there.

Luckily, one of us had the brilliant idea of painting over our own nipples with white paint. We were all pretty sure this would keep us warmer.

It would also make sure that the parade was kept PG-rated for the kids. You've got to think of those kids and whether they'd

rather see a shirtless man with white nipples or not.

After that, we got to work painting our faces in various arrangements ranging from "Braveheart" to Muppets to KISS makeup. If anyone saw me out there, I was the one dancing like a maniac down the parade route with the Paul Stanley makeup on.

And speaking of maniacal dancing, that's pretty much what we did for the entire parade. Well, that and try to spell as many words as possible with the letters IRHA. You can really only spell, "HAIR," but we didn't care.

It was more the act of running in circles until someone yelled freeze that brought us the real enjoyment.

I don't even know if anyone was amused but us, especially because IRHA had no real float to speak of, just the four of us mugging like goons and other members of IRHA passing out candy behind us.

Like I said at the outset of this article, I can be pretty annoying when given the right opportunity, but when I'm annoying others, I'm at least amusing myself in the process. That counts for something, right?

Tired of drinking unfairly, underaged, for many reasons



Steve Tietz

Columnist

Homecoming 2005 has come and gone, save for the lasting effects of being hung-over for two days straight, and still feeling the pain deep in my liver.

I'm sure I am not the only one to utter the words of "Never again," after homecoming weekend, but we all know that won't last.

Many of us drank to celebrate, and others drank out of obligation or maybe even a

bit of peer pressure, but why do we do it?

Why do we choose to indulge in fermented and distilled beverages to such an excess, it requires two days of nursing before we're whole again?

Some would answer with an all too familiar story of the University of Wisconsin-Stout drinking legacy or thirsty Thursday, or any of the other familiar excuses to get wasted.

I would like to say I could offer an explanation for excessive partying rooted somewhere in the depths of enlightenment, but I can't. I party at UW-Stout for two reasons: I'm bored and what else is there to do?

I can't help but laugh when every homecoming, or weekend for that matter, I hear the same

line about the cops giving out minors, busting parties and blah, blah, blah.

To be honest, what have they accomplished? It would be nice to say they at least deterred underage consumption, but they haven't.

I'll be the first to admit to two underage drinking fines, and I'll be the first to admit to heavily drinking at least one night every week since I have been back here this semester.

Someone told me that Menomonie police gave out 200 tickets this past weekend, which is a far cry from what it could be, and I am sure they were all justified on some level.

Of course, I don't know if that statistic is true or not, and quite frankly, I don't care

because whether they gave one or 200, the situation is going to remain the same.

I have long been an advocate for a lower drinking age but not because I think an 18 year old can handle his/her liquor.

It's because I am tired of being told I am an adult, tired of being told to act like an adult, tired of being told my decisions are mine alone and not those of my parents or friends, tired of being lumped into the pile with those who act foolish.

But most of all, I'm tired of looking over my back every time I share a beer with a friend.

I have made my mistakes in the past while being foolish with alcohol, this I cannot deny, but how long will it be before the peaceful actions of the

masses out-weigh the negative actions of one person, or ten or two hundred?

In two months, I will be heading to London, England, where at 18 you're allowed to have a drink in a bar, and in seven months, I will be 21.

I have spent enough nights here in an alcohol induced blur to know it's not worth it, especially if the evening results in a citation from a man upholding a law written by people who once enjoyed an 18 year old drinking age.

However, since Menomonie has nothing left to offer but an overpriced laptop program and a supercenter as entertainment on these late nights, I will have to uphold my right to get wasted. Cheers!

SSA provides lack of information for 2005 senator elections



Michael Graney

Columnist

Do you know what happened last week? I didn't either, until it happened. The SSA was elected. How did I find this out? I found it out when the results were posted on e-Scholar.

I found out about the polls being open at 9 p.m. on the day of the election (an hour after the polls closed, I would like to note).

I'll admit that I didn't do my duty to vote. It is my fault. I should have been proactive and searched out the information

about the student government here. The biggest downside is, I never heard about any of the candidates running.

Maybe I missed the posters announcing the election. Maybe I missed the candidates' nomination process. Maybe I missed the information about the candidates, so I could make an educated and well-formed decision. Maybe I missed the posters covering campus indicating who to vote for and why.

Wait a minute, maybe I didn't miss anything. Could it be that none of the aforementioned happened? Could it be the student governmental association is stuck in a perpetual state of autocracy? Could it be the student body is just so apathetic towards organizations designed to represent us in

administration? Could it be that we don't want a democracy but would rather have an authoritarian organization which passes rules?

Now, let's take a look at that last option. An authoritarian system would mean the students would have no say on what happens on campus. The administration could pass whatever they wish and *The Stoutonia* would just be a propaganda filled voice only talking about what the administration wants.

An opinion column would sound like the Bush administration's public relations team. Columns full of spin without facts or a dose of reality. No differing views would be present, and all letters would serve as ego boosters for the administration, no matter how

incompetent or power drunk they became.

Realities of falling standards or needs of the students wouldn't need to be considered. In truth, all activities would be praised as fantastic—especially the stupid ones.

Learning would also be hampered as cutting edge theories, like evolution, could be fully discarded as controversial because not everyone agrees with them. History would be taught from one perspective, potentially excluding episodes like the Holocaust, the Iran-Contra affair or Watergate. Classes like lifespan sexuality wouldn't be offered or taught because of potential areas an authoritarian regime would disagree with.

Do you not want to live in this type of world? We have to

take an interest and destroy our apathy towards government.

That being said, government and administration must reach out to us and announce and advertise the candidates for office.

Maybe this could be achieved by actually having a questionnaire and a link on e-Scholar that displays the differences between the candidates. We have to care to be informed, but the organizations also have the responsibility to inform us.

President Lincoln said that government is "by the people, of the people, and for the people," implying all Americans. This doesn't just apply to the levels of government that have political parties, but really all levels, all the way down to a small university like the University of Wisconsin-Stout.

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1	1	802 6th Avenue #3	\$315	\$315	n/a	n/a	Includes all utilities parking	6
1	1	115 1/2 West Main Street	\$320	\$320	\$395	\$395	Close to campus and downtown	3
1	1	1203 1/2 14th Avenue East	\$325	\$325	n/a	n/a	upper duplex, nice size rooms	D
1	1	611 13th Street #7	\$325	\$325	n/a	n/a	Nice location, quiet residential, studio	8
1	1	400 1/2 Main Street #3	\$330	\$330	n/a	n/a	WSG+HW inc. storage, close to campus	6
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1	1	703 1/2 3rd Street East #9	\$330	\$330	n/a	n/a	great location, includes WSG & heat	A
1	1	803 Wilson Avenue #5	\$335	\$335	n/a	n/a	Great location, utilities Included Parking	8
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1	1	803 Wilson Avenue #4	\$345	\$345	n/a	n/a	Great location, utilities Included Parking	8
1	1	400 1/2 Main Street #5	\$350	\$350	n/a	n/a	WSG+HW inc. storage, close to campus	6
1	1	803 Wilson Avenue #2	\$350	\$350	n/a	n/a	Great location, utilities included Parking	8
1	1	803 Wilson Avenue #6	\$360	\$360	n/a	n/a	Great location, util. Incl. Parking	8
1	1	803 Wilson Avenue #8	\$360	\$360	n/a	n/a	Great location, util. Incl. Parking	8
1	1	703 1/2 3rd Street East #6	\$370	\$370	n/a	n/a	great location, includes WSG & heat	A
1	1	1218 1/2 9th Street	\$375	\$375	n/a	n/a	gas heat, upper duplex, great location	D
1	1	703 1/2 3rd Street East #8	\$375	\$375	n/a	n/a	great location, includes WSG & heat	A
1	1	1221 7th Street	\$390	\$390	n/a	n/a	Inc. heat, WSG, hot water, very large & nice	4
1	1	1520 7th Street	\$390	\$390	n/a	n/a	close to campus, parking, Washer/dryer	D
1	1	421 Wilson Avenue #4	\$395	\$395	n/a	n/a	Inc. heat, WSG, hot water, parking	6
1	1	703 1/2 3rd Street East #1	\$395	\$395	n/a	n/a	great location, includes WSG & heat	A
1	1	803 Wilson Avenue #3	\$395	\$395	n/a	n/a	Great location, util. Incl. Parking	8
1	1	333 1/2 Main Street #1	\$400	\$400	n/a	n/a	Inc. heat, WSG, downtown location	A
1	1	333 1/2 Main Street #2	\$400	\$400	n/a	n/a	Inc. heat, WSG, downtown location	A
1	1	421 1/2 13th Avenue West	\$435	\$435	\$554	\$554	super nice, great location, storage	D
1	1	803 Wilson Avenue #7	\$455	\$455	n/a	n/a	Great location, util. Incl. Parking	8
1	1	803 Wilson Avenue #1	\$475	\$475	n/a	n/a	Great location, util. Incl. Parking	8
2	1	1506 1/2 6th Street	\$330	\$165	\$428	\$214	enclosed front porch, great location	D
2	1	1218 9th Street	\$350	\$175	n/a	n/a	gas heat, lower duplex, great location	D
2	1	113 West Main Street	\$360	\$180	\$458	\$229	Close to campus and downtown	3
2	1	921 Main Street #2	\$360	\$180	\$500	\$250	Good location, parking	4
2	1	921 Main Street #4	\$360	\$180	\$500	\$250	Good location, parking	4
2	1	1203 14th Avenue East	\$375	\$188	n/a	n/a	lower duplex, gas heat	D
2	1	115 West Main Street	\$380	\$190	\$500	\$250	Close to campus and downtown	3

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Mystery of Lynch home unsolved



Katie Triphan
Campus Writer

With Halloween coming up soon, everyone has been asking me to write ghost stories—especially scary stories surrounding the Mabel Tainter Memorial Theater (MTM), the JTC dorms or the Caddy Woodlawn home.

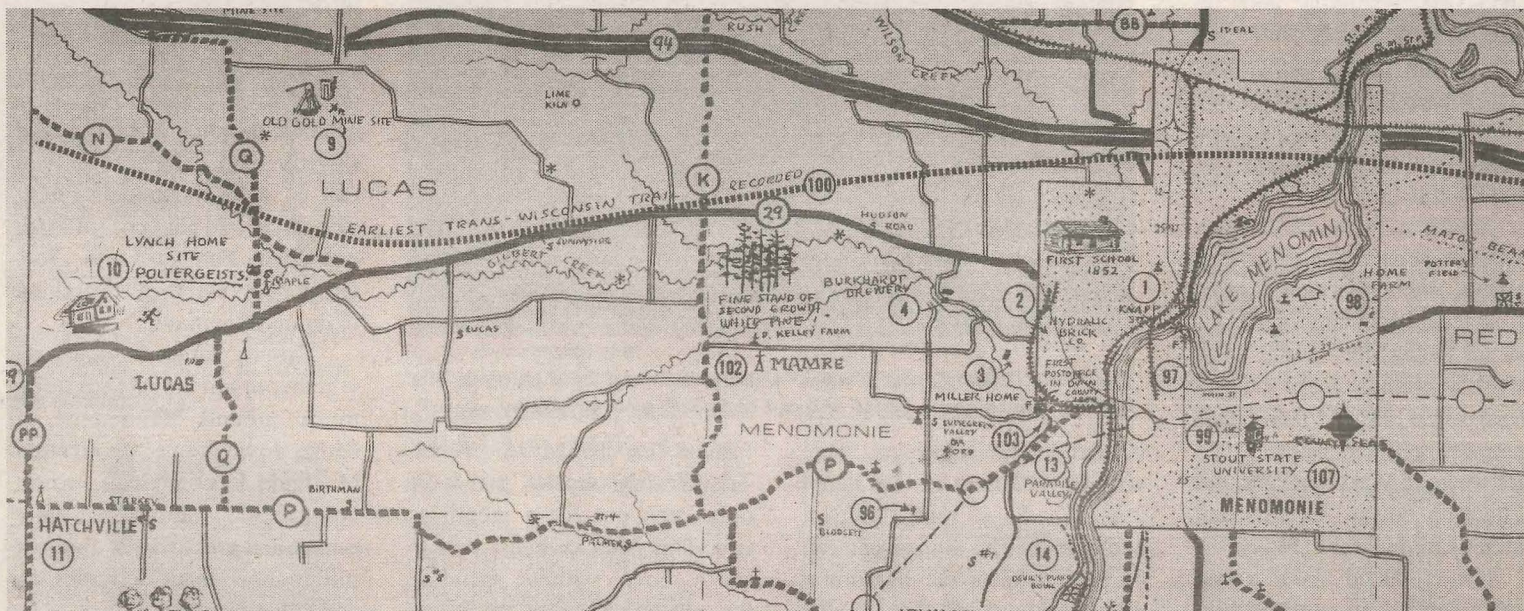
However, there are no substantial sources to cite regarding haunting/ghost sightings at the MTM or JTC.

When I asked Kevin Thorie, the archivist at the University of Wisconsin-Stout, he said he hadn't ever heard of any myths related to the Caddy Woodlawn home. That doesn't mean that the Menomonie community is without genuine ghost stories.

There is a haunting story that isn't widely known which occurred in the Menomonie area and was never solved.

Back in the early 1870s a family by the name of Lynch moved to the Menomonie area from Indiana. Besides the husband and wife, there were four children in the family: David, 17; Mary, 10; Georgie, 7 and Rena, 2. For nearly eight months after settling in, everything was perfectly normal at the Lynch residence; then came about some strange occurrences.

Mrs. Lynch began noticing that some of her dresses were missing. She found some of them rolled up and tucked into odd places, while others she found had been cut to shreds. Mr. Lynch purchased material to replace the



UW-Stout Archives/Area Research Center

It is alleged that in the 1870s the Lynch family's house was haunted. Items would go missing or move about the house without explanation.

dresses, but the material also disappeared and was found later, torn to shreds. Dishes and pans also began to mysteriously disappear.

These early incidents were not attributed to some sort of specter but were blamed on young Georgie, who was known to be somewhat of a prankster.

In August, Mr. Lynch and a neighbor, Frank Duffie, were out working in the field together when they heard Mrs. Lynch scream from within the house. They ran back to see what was the matter. When they reached the cabin they saw chairs jumping from the ceiling to the floor and cooking utensils flying across the room.

All three rushed outside to trap the guilty party, stationing everyone at a different corner of the house so that all sides were visible. No one ever emerged.

Suddenly, while manning his station, a pine box near Duffie flew into the air and landed ten feet away on the porch. They heard a commotion rock the house, and when they returned

to the inside, they found that practically every moveable item in the home had been piled up into one corner.

Naturally these incidents drove curiosity far and wide, and it was estimated the Lynch farm received some three hundred visitors, while others estimated as many as a thousand visitors traveled to witness the strange happenings, all within a six-week period.

Mrs. Lynch became understandably uneasy; as a result, she began to bind little Georgie hand and foot to a cradle or chair. Once, while Georgie was tied up with his sister Mary watching him, a bowl of soap Mrs. Lynch was using to do laundry disappeared. When she went to get more, Georgie told her that it was beneath his head, and no one knew how it got there.

It wasn't uncommon, while Georgie was confined, for tea-cups to fly across the room and smash into the wall, and Georgie would exclaim, "There, mother. You see I didn't do that!"

The impossible events continued to occur; objects went flying and crashing down, or simply went missing with no explanation. At one point a broad-ax struck the side of the doorway and then came bounding into the room.

Mrs. Lynch seized the ax, took it to the milk house, thrust it into a box and covered it with slats and a bag of salt. Shortly after returning to the cabin, the broad ax made a noise as it fell, and was discovered lying on the porch. No members of the family had been outside at the time.

Another horrifying incident occurred involving the youngest child, Rena, who had beautiful long blond curls. One day she was outside playing on the platform; her mother went to check on her, only to discover the girl's hair had been sheared as near to the scalp as was possible. The shears were found nearby, but not a single lock of the child's hair was ever discovered.

Plenty of people were witness to these events: neighbors, tourists, the schoolmaster and

reporters. One reporter who was at the house observed a Mr. Knight who, since his arrival, had recorded more than forty different manifestations.

At one point, a potato masher fell to the floor. Mr. Knight picked it up and put it on the cupboard and remarked to the reporter that he would like to "see them do that again." Mr. Knight had barely returned to his seat when the masher flew across the room and smashed a mirror.

Eventually, Mr. Lynch split up the family, sending several of the children to live with neighbors. After the children were gone, the events stopped. Some people speculated the happenings were caused by the spirit of Mr. Lynch's late first wife. Others blamed Mrs. Lynch, saying that she never wanted to move from Indiana and this was her immature form of retaliation.

Neither camp could ever prove their loose theories. Thus, to this day, the cause of the haunting at the Lynch home has remained unsolved.

Violence in Relationships

By Jennifer Gauthier
Campus Writer

Violence in relationships, like any kind of violence, is tragic, and can be even more damaging than other assaults because it is less likely to be reported, and is often used to control one of the partners in the relationship.

Women are most likely to be affected by relationship violence. Statistics suggest that one in five female college students will experience some sort of relationship violence in their years at college, the highest per capita rates of relationship violence.

The percentage of men affected by relationship violence is around 3 percent, and many of these incidents occur in same-sex relationships. Same-sex relationship violence isn't limited to men, but men in same-sex relationships are 5-10 times more likely to experience

it than women in same-sex relationships.

Relationship violence is defined as repeated abusive behavior, including verbal abuse, physical abuse and sexual abuse among partners in an intimate or sexual relationship. It can take the form of threats, emotional abuse or intimidation, any kind of physical assault and rape.

"Six out of 10 rapes of young women occur in their own home or a friend or relative's home, not in a dark alley."

~Alabama coalition against domestic violence
<http://www.acadv.org/dating.html>

It can occur in any relationship, from casual dating to serious romantic relationships and can happen regardless of

religion, race, gender, sexual orientation or economic status.

To gain and keep control over their partner, abusers intentionally use violence and abuse. But physical violence in relationships is never an isolated behavior; it is only one aspect of many behaviors used to control his/her partner.

Coercion and threats, intimidation, emotional abuse, isolation and economic abuse or making one partner dependant on the other for money are all common in relationship abuse.

Many survivors of relationship violence describe the abuse as a cycle. It often starts with the abuser being moody and irritable, and the victim feels fear and behaves very carefully, trying to keep the abuser from becoming angry and violent.

After some amount of time, from a few hours to more than

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Renee Currington/Stoutonia

Ingrid Rockwell works with faculty and troubleshoots enrollment issues for art students. Rockwell grew up near Stuttgart, Germany.

By Renee Currington
Campus Editor

Ingrid Rockwell, a program assistant in the art program office, was named Classified Employee of the Month for October.

"I very much appreciate this award," said Rockwell. "This is a high point in my career."

She has worked for the University of Wisconsin-Stout for

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Stuff to do around town

By Jennifer Wolff
Campus Writer

A chill is in the air, the leaves are changing and oh yeah, it's definitely fall. No more laying out getting a tan or floating down the lovely Red Cedar. Despite the weather change, Menomonie still is full of life and excitement.

Students, such as Seamus Dwyer, a sophomore in general business administration, takes advantage of the many opportunities for fun in Menomonie.

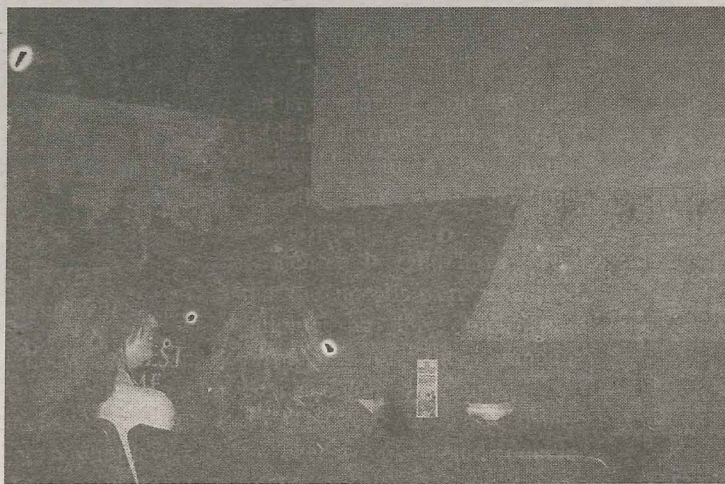
"My friends and I bought a projector from the Stout rummage sale and when it gets dark we go to Wakanda Park, put a sheet on one of the cars and watch a movie," said Dwyer.

Dwyer talked about a few more potential conquests for fun.

"The rock climbing wall and racquet ball in the field house is always fun," said Dwyer.

For those of you who think a quick climb may do the trick for you, here is a little background information. The rock climbing wall is open Sunday through Thursday from 4-10 p.m., Friday 2-6 p.m. and Saturday 12-4 p.m. You can either check it out every once in awhile, or if you are an avid climber, there are memberships for you as well. To climb for a day it costs \$3 for a non-member University of Wisconsin-Stout student (this does not include equipment). Otherwise members are allowed unlimited climbing, and the price includes equipment rental. Membership costs \$15 per quarter, \$30 a semester or \$50 for an entire year of climbing.

On the other hand, if you are looking for something cheap and active, racquetball might just be your thing. Racquetball



Amy Magnuson/Stoutonia

The State Cinema Four is within walking distance from campus. It's a good way to see a movie without spending a lot of money.

is completely free if you have your own equipment, but if not it is only \$3 to rent a racquet and a ball. The equipment can be picked up at the intramural office right outside of the multi-purpose room in the field house.

"If you're into paintball, there is a field in Elk Mound, Bubba's Paintball, which is about ten minutes out of town," said Dwyer.

Paintball is a more expensive endeavor if you do not own any equipment. It does prove a popular sport for many UW-Stout students. Since Bubba's is so close, if you do not own a car, you can be sure to find a ride. Bubba's is relatively large, with six wooded courses (each about 25 acres), a speedball course and a pro shop. For more information about Bubba's Paintball visit their website at <http://www.bubbaspaintball.com>.

Tara Montgomery, a Phi Theta Chi senior majoring in dietetics, offered another pleasurable activity: going to a movie. "It's always fun to go to the cheap theater, it's only four dollars," said Montgomery.

The State Cinema Four is

located on Broadway Street. They feature movies that have only been out for a month or two. This is an excellent way to see a movie without spending the escalating prices of movie tickets, and it is so close to

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26 years in various offices on campus. She started in the graduate college in 1972. In 1977, Rockwell temporarily retired to care for her two sons.

In 1984, she came back to work for the school in both the music and art departments. Ten years later, enrollment of art students increased dramatically, so Rockwell began to work just in the art department.

"I work very closely with the program director, Ron Verdon," said Rockwell. "I am very involved with the advisement process and troubleshooting with students for their degree requirements."

Rockwell says she really enjoys working with both the students and the faculty, meet-

campus that there is no need to drive.

It's a common belief of most students that there is not much to do in Menomonie on weekends, or even during the week. As a result of this belief, many students go home on the weekends.

"I have been here for six years, and there isn't much to do but drink," said Josh Clark, a senior in hotel, restaurant and tourism management. "Or you can go to Menomonie's finest, The Buck, and play pool. Or you can go to Eau Claire to shop. Other than that, there is nothing to do in Menomonie."

Despite different views on whether or not there is anything to do around Menomonie, it comes down to one's motivation of finding something worth doing. Following the SSA daily e-mail is a great way to find out information about activities on and around campus.

ing new students, prospective students and their families.

"My job is a very stimulating, challenging and never dull position," said Rockwell. The department atmosphere is where she feels she belongs.

Rockwell has also been involved with exchange programs, particularly with students coming from Germany, where Rockwell is originally from.

She grew up in southwest Germany near Stuttgart. She met her husband, who is from Iowa, in Germany. She said it was love that brought her to the United States, where she was married.

Her husband is a freelance cartoonist and retired art professor. His cartoons have been published in many national magazines and in local newspapers.

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If you could create a storm of any sort, where and what would it be?



"An ice cream sandwich storm on the Fourth of July."

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Tourism Management
Freshman



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Nikki Murtha
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Have fun for Halloween weekend

By Rachel Landwehr
Campus Writer

The time for ghosts and goblins is here. Apple cider and popcorn balls are aplenty.

Many of you may have a costume, yet no place to go. Well all you need is a little imagination and spontaneity.

There are many festive events happening on campus and around the local area.

Housing and Residence Life has put on Trick-or-Treat on North Campus for local children for about five years now. This year it is on Thursday, October 27th from 6:30 p.m. to 8 p.m.

Students who wish to participate can pick up signs at their local front desk and hang them on their doors.

They are encouraged to decorate their doors, but must remember that the fire codes are still enforced and the halls' regulations are becoming more strict.

There can be no blocked exits, fire extinguishers, water spouts and no streamers.

"[Two years ago], the guys covered their entire floor with garbage bags and cobwebs, while the girls on my floor used the theme from candy land," said Katie Thiel, a junior in technical communications.

Most students spend the day or night before the event decorating. A limited supply of candy will be handed out at the front desk.

Students who want to participate should be there no later than 6 p.m. Children are expected to

arrive around 6:30 p.m.

This is just one of the many events happening around campus for the Halloween weekend.

Pleasant Valley Tree Farms is family owned and operated. They offer a variety of different activities for all ages.

From a corn maze to haunted forest walk, the time was well spent. The cost was only \$5.00 for all activities.

"My favorite part was Spooky Ridge Trail," said Wesley Behling, a junior in technology education.



Thursday, October 27

- Ski Sprites Haunted House, Eau Claire Fair Grounds, \$7.00
- Fash Bash at Huff's, free food, costume contest, masquerade ball, free, 7 p.m.
- Schultz's Pumpkin Patch, (715)287-4684, 1 p.m. to 6 p.m.

Friday, October 28

- Haunted House on Hill, Chippewa Falls, (715)726-9000, \$7.00, \$5.00 students under 18, \$1.00 with food donation, 8 p.m. to 11 p.m.
- Ski Sprites Haunted House, Eau Claire Fair Grounds, \$7.00
- Haunted Hotel and Psycho Cellar, Durand, (715)672-5801, \$7.00, 6 p.m. to 12 a.m.

- Mask Party at Huff's, 7 p.m. to 11:30 p.m., \$2.00 w/mask, \$3.00 w/o mask
- Schultz's Pumpkin Patch, (715)287-4684, 1 p.m. to 6 p.m.

Saturday, October 29

- Ski Sprites Haunted House, Eau Claire Fair Grounds, \$7.00
- Haunted House on Hill, Chippewa Falls, (715)726-9000, \$7.00, \$5.00 students under 18, \$1.00/food donation, 8 p.m. to 11 p.m.
- Schultz's Pumpkin Patch, (715)287-4684, 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Sunday, October 30

- Ski Sprites Haunted House,

Eau Claire Fair Grounds, \$7.00

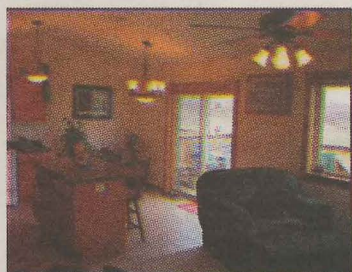
- Hawkins Hollow Haunted Corn Maze, \$3.00, 7 p.m. to 10 p.m.
- Schultz's Pumpkin Patch, (715)287-4684, 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Monday, October 31

- Haunted House on Hill, Chippewa Falls, (715)726-9000, \$7.00, \$5.00 students under 18, \$1.00/food donation, 8 p.m. to 11 p.m.
- Haunted Hotel and Psycho Cellar, Durand, (715)672-5801, \$7.00, 6 p.m. to 12 a.m.

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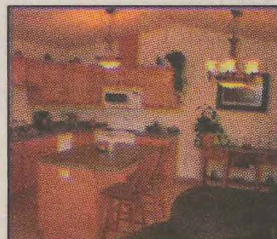
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Violence /how to help

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a year, but different in each relationship, the abuser's anger is built up to a point where they abuse the victim, either physically, emotionally or sexually.

The last part of the cycle is the reconciliation phase, where the abuser apologizes and promises that things will change and may blame the victim for

the violence, requiring them to change in some way so the abuse doesn't happen again.

Often, the abuser will buy the victim flowers or gifts and act sweet or romantic to instill hope in the victim that things are going to change. These cycles can occur many times in a relationship.

It can be difficult to recognize signs of potential abuse early in a relationship, and many early warning signs don't give cause for alarm by themselves until the relationship begins to go downhill.

Some more obvious signs of relationship violence include unexplained injuries, fear towards a partner, isolation, changes in mood or personality. There are some other less obvious early indicators that a relationship may or may not become abusive.

These may include a partner checking up on the other frequently, giving up things that used to be important to them, apologies for the other partner's behavior, change in appearance by one or both partners and spending more and more time together and less time with anyone else.

An abuser may demonstrate extreme jealousy, controlling

behavior, verbal abuse, abuse of other people, animals or things, hypersensitivity, a belief in rigid sex roles, explosive anger or unpredictable mood swings.

If you think someone you know might be a victim of relationship violence, it is probably a good idea to talk to them in a safe, private place, listen and take them seriously. Encourage them to make their own choices and see a specialist about domestic violence.

Don't judge or criticize their decisions, and don't expect change overnight, but continue to offer and provide support. Don't underestimate the danger that they might be in, and if you see or hear an assault, call 911 immediately.

In a relationship, anyone has the right to refuse dates, affection and sexual advances, have your limits and values respected, be heard and have friends and space away from your partner, all without the fear of any kind of abuse.

Anyone in a relationship also has the responsibility to be considerate, respect the values and limits of others, communicate honestly and clearly without using any sort of abuse and ask for help when it's needed.



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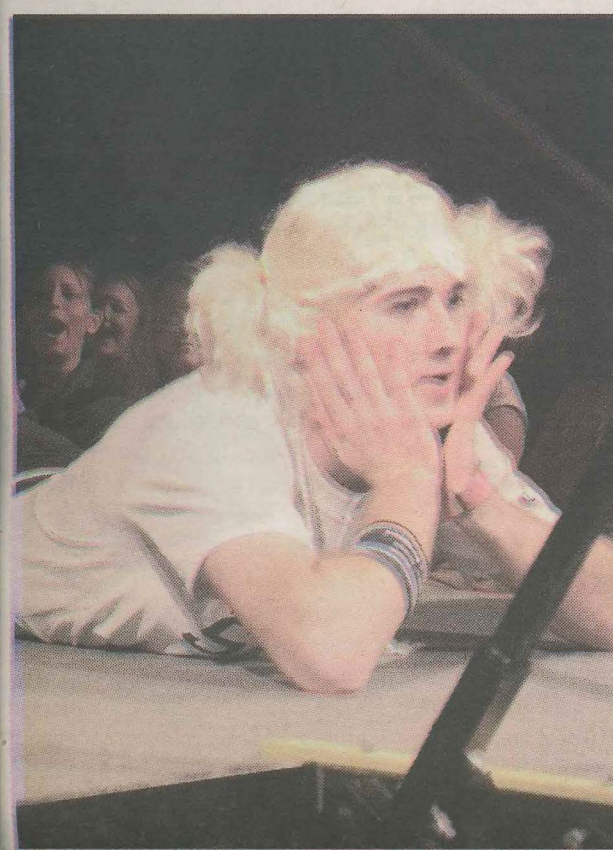
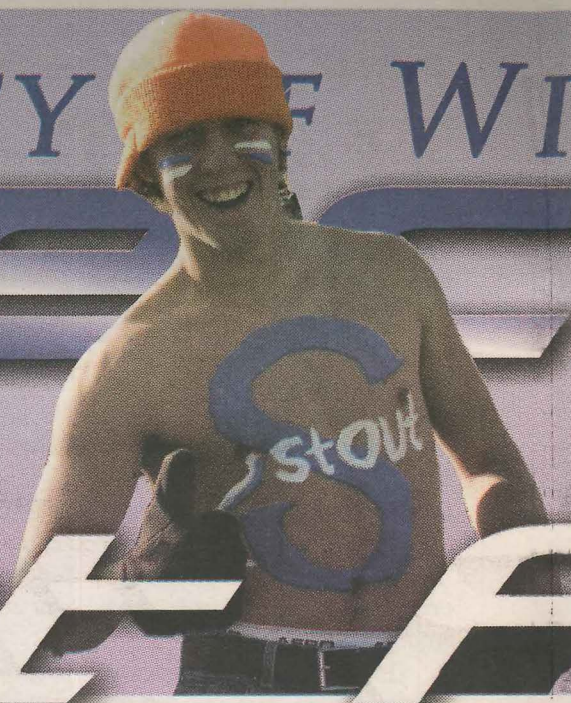
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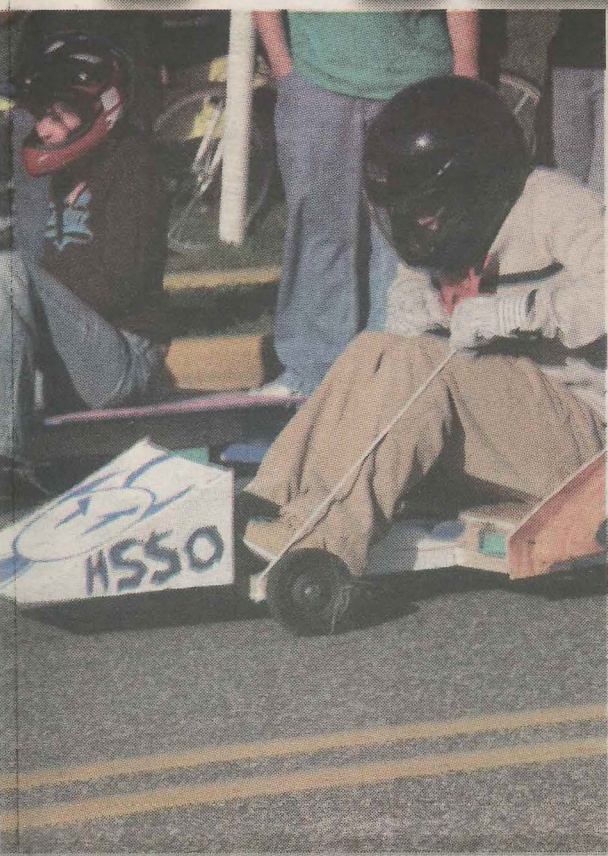
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Homecoming stunt show waste of time



Ami Kriho

Entertainment Writer

Friday night's Stunt Show was a good example of why most of the UW-Stout student body doesn't celebrate homecoming.

Blue Devil Productions called it a "Stunt Show," but a more accurate title would have been, "Amateur Skit Show," with performances from people who clearly have no future in acting.

The opening act was a "Jeopardy" skit performed by the boys of Kappa Lambda Beta and Phi Theta Chi.

Straight out of "Saturday Night Live," the skit featured as its three contestants a grizzled custodian, Tony Schlemm and Sean Connery, who spouted crude jokes about host Alex Trebek's mother.

While the skit was not entirely original in concept, its script was great and it was



Kiley Van Note/Stoutonia

without question the funniest performance of the night.

The second featured the girls of Gamma Sigma Sigma trying to do something along the lines of a bickering cheerleader fight. It ended with them dancing (more or less) to some sort of pop song I neither recognized nor cared to.

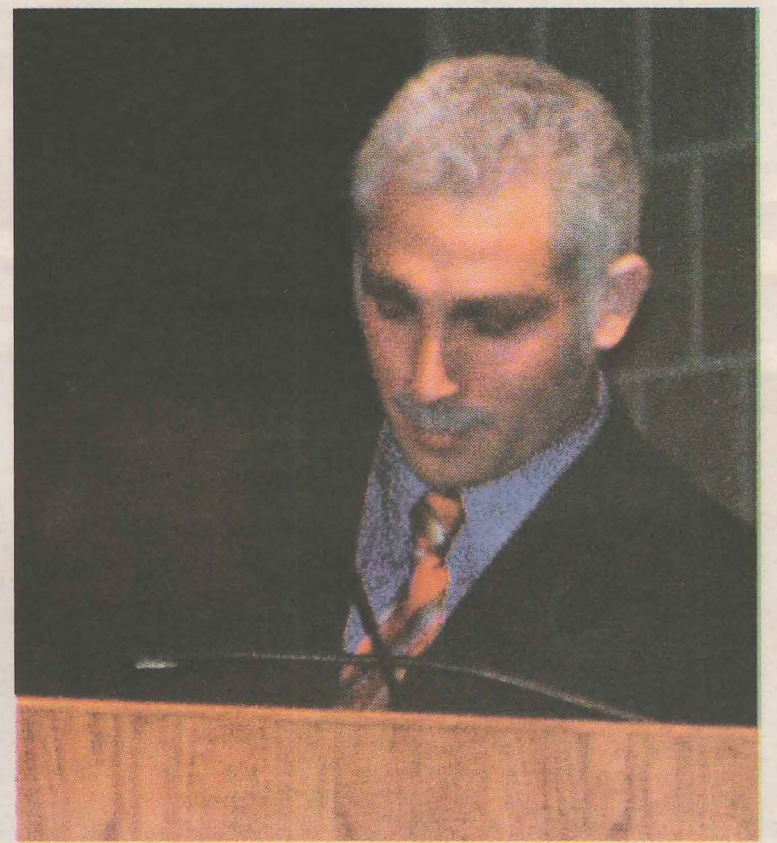
The last and shortest skit, put on by Pi Sigma Pi and Sigma Sigma Sigma, was a bunch of people reading satirical tidbits about UW-Stout. Their quietness (or everyone else's

loudness) prevented me from determining whether this was entertaining.

Between each skit, an interlude of "Guess that Image!" was presented, allowing members of the audience to get prizes like CDs, coupons and candy.

The show concluded with the coronation of the homecoming king and queen: Jason Kienbaum of the Marketing Business Education Association and Krystal Tiffany of Delta Zeta.

As a whole, the Stunt Show was a rather unpleasant



Kiley Van Note/Stoutonia

(Above left) The Homecoming king, Jason Kienbaum, received his crown at the end of the Stunt Show. (Above) Alex Trebek, or a reasonable facsimile, showed up for a humorous "Jeopardy" sketch.

experience. With most of the performers seeming unprepared and with the

constant immature screeching of the audience, the Stunt Show was a waste of time.

Gallery 106 opens its doors with "3 Views"

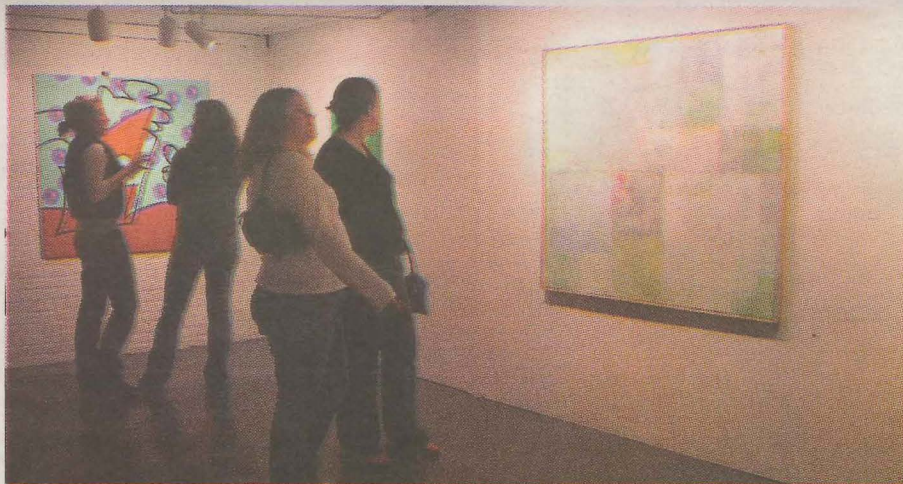
Kyle Kingston

Entertainment Editor

If you're an art major, you probably know Michael Tarr as the "Penco guy," the man who can either hook you up with whatever art materials you're looking for or recommend something better. Tarr is also the owner of Menomonie's newest exhibition space, Gallery 106.

On Oct. 21 Gallery 106 opened to the public with "3 Views," an exhibition featuring 17 works by Tarr and UW-Stout art instructors Kari Doane and Robert Atwell.

Tarr graduated with a BFA from UW-Stout in 1995. "3 Views" featured four of his works: "Black, Red and Green



Kyle Kingston/Stoutonia

The space underneath the Acoustic Cafe has been refurbished to house Gallery 106, Menomonie's newest art gallery. Its inaugural exhibition was Oct. 21.

Squares with Circles," "Crux," "Double Diamond" and "Triple Diamond." The last two

pieces use acrylic and latex paint with pencil on panel and explore the interaction of grids—both

manufactured in the prepressed panel and drawn on in pencil—with organic areas of landscape-based colors.

At the show, Kari Doane had seven of her works exhibited, including several interesting explorations of the aesthetic possibilities of rust. Another noteworthy piece of Doane's was "Grid," a 20-inch by 67-inch configuration

of latex and plastic.

Atwell is a UW-Stout art assistant professor, as well as the

foundations courses coordinator.

Of his six featured works, four are vinyl graphics and alkyd resin on 11.25-inch square panel; the last two are larger pieces constructed using enamel on aluminum.

All are named with the date and time that their original concepts were completed.

"I think this is a nice display space," said Atwell of Gallery 106. "Every city needs something like this. Someplace devoted simply to showcasing art, local or otherwise."

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"3 Views" will run until Saturday, Nov. 12. Stop by Penco for more information.



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Late Night fun



Mike Ryan
Entertainment Writer

Did you know that an anagram for "U-Wisconsin-Stout" is "I out-cuss Winston?" Thanks to the Late Night Players of Boston, Massachusetts, I now have this knowledge.

Along with nine other anagrams for "U-Wisconsin-Stout," the audience was treated to several knock-knock jokes and original sketches.

Yes, there were some screw-ups and there were some awkward pauses, but everybody in the crowd could plainly see that the Late Night Players were an amusing bunch.

"It was one of the funnier shows I've seen," said Meghan Staples, a junior majoring in elementary education. "It was good to see the Players involve the crowd as much as they did. It really did a good job keeping

everybody's interest."

The Late Night Players perhaps showed a bit too much faith in the crowd and subjected themselves to a few idiotic catcalls that were at times embarrassing.

Often I could have sworn that the catcalls were rehearsed, judging by the quick-witted responses of the brandeis-educated comedy troupe.

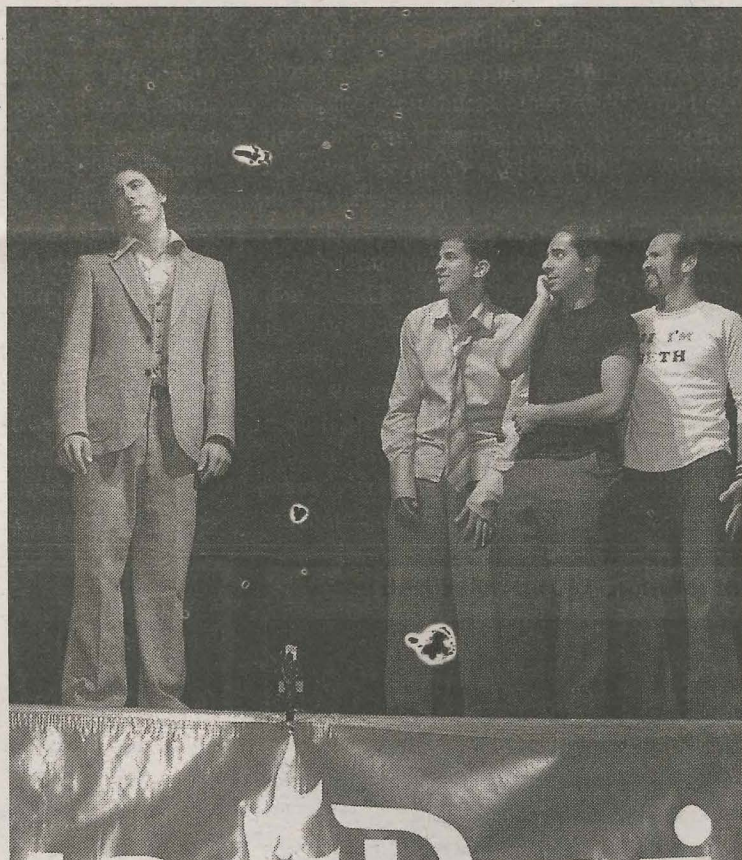
The set itself was a tribute to cheesy jokes and double-entendres. Sometimes using punch lines that sailed clear over the audience's collective head, they rattled off one-liners one right after the other.

Overall, the Players' integration of clever wit and corny humor was well recieved.

Personally, I found the Late Night Players very entertaining.

Sometimes I laughed hysterically, while other times I found myself shaking my head in dismay at the corniness of it all.

This up and coming comedy troupe has a lot of potential and some very good ideas, which they will hopefully bring back to UW-Stout in the future.



One of the highlights of Homecoming week was the performance of the Late Night Players in the Great Hall.

Marta Peters/Stoutonia

FOX gets a little boney



Source: www.images.zap2it.com

Pictured are the leads from FOX's new show "Bones." Hmm ... they don't look like Mulder and Scully ...



Matt Schubbe
Entertainment Writer

The choices FOX makes in shows often baffles me—at times even amuses me—but regardless I've kept watching. They put out an impressive lineup every season, but it's difficult to know which series they'll abandon even before the season ends. Let's take a look at one of their latest, "Bones."

This dark sci-fi dramedy (no, that's not my description; this came from a Web site devoted to the show) is supposedly based on the life and career of Kathy Reichs, a forensic anthropologist and author.

Of course, I don't know exactly how true-to-life this show will actually be, but a real-life grounding should hopefully give the show a fresh angle.

"Bones" revolves around the partnership of main characters forensic scientist Temperance Brennan (Emily Deschanel) and FBI agent Seeley Booth (David Boreanaz). And yes, for those of you wondering, that is the guy that played Angel in Joss Whedon's "Angel" and "Buffy the Vampire Slayer."

The premise of "Bones" is roughly this: law enforcement

agencies in various locales call on Temperance and Booth to investigate cases that are beyond traditional forensic methods; for example, the body may be too burned or decomposed, or something may just be too strange for conventional science to explain.

This seems like an interesting concept. I really liked it—back when it was called "The X-Files."

The shows are painfully similar, even down to the character dynamics. Think about it: male FBI agent, female medical scientist and unexplainable phenomena. In the immortal words of Yogi Berra, "Déjà vu all over again."

Sure, the "out there" member of this odd couple is the woman this time around, but that's cutting it pretty close, don't you think? Even the odd name of Temperance Brennan is vaguely reminiscent of Fox Mulder.

Any show where the plot of an episode revolves around a man's arm being found inside a bear's stomach can't be all bad. It also helps this show's chances that it airs in a slot following "American Idol."

If the writing staff of "Bones" can find a way to flesh out the characters more—if only to differentiate them from the "X-Files" archetypes—and keep coming up with original storylines, this one just might make it.

But again, with FOX we'll have to wait until the end of the season to be sure.

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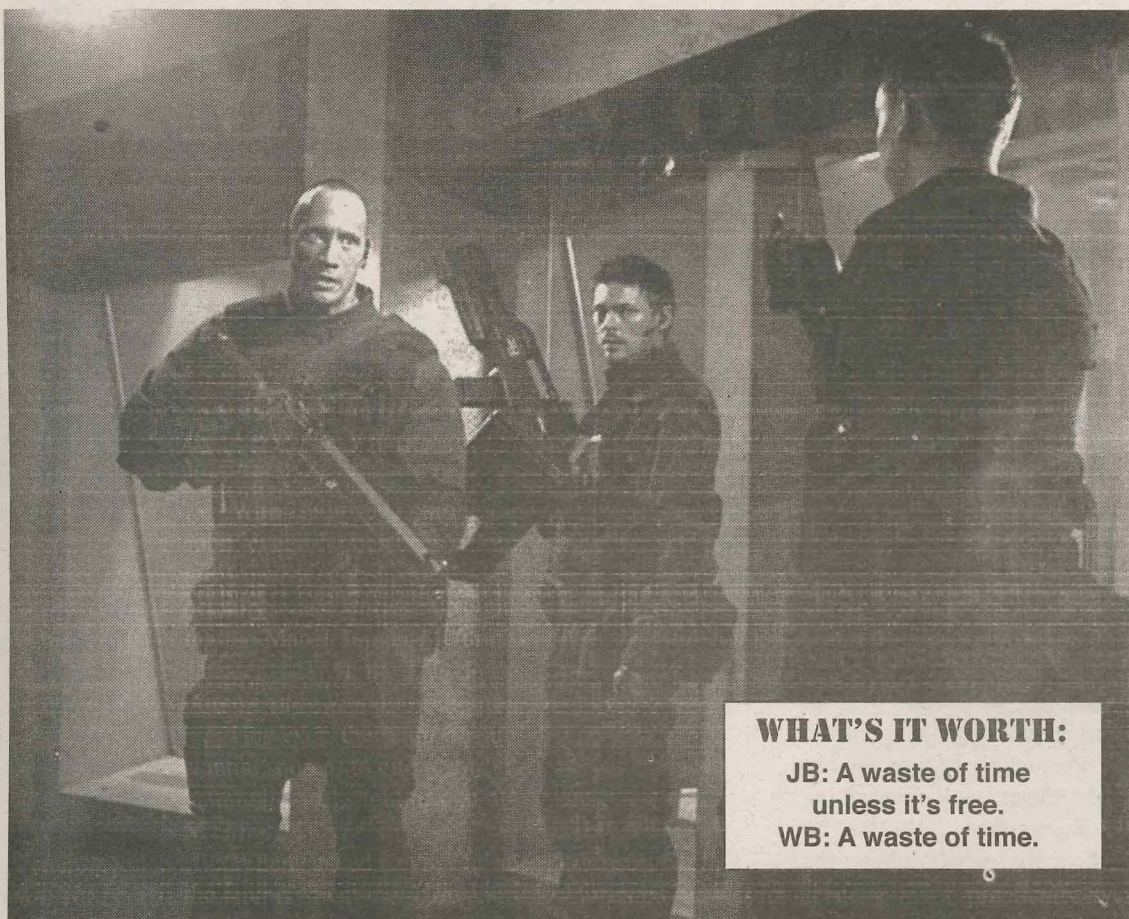
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Doomed from the start



WHAT'S IT WORTH:

JB: A waste of time unless it's free.
WB: A waste of time.

Source: www.rottentomatoes.com

The movie "Doom" is based on the hugely popular videogame of the same name. Unfortunately, "Doom" the movie is really terrible. Who would have thought a videogame adaptation could go wrong?



Jarrod Burns and William Butchee

Entertainment Writers

In the year ... well ... sometime in the future, an underground portal to Mars is found. A government lab researching ... well ... something is built on Mars but soon becomes overrun by monsters. Some Marines are sent to Mars to investigate the attacks and before long they're shooting whomever and whatever needs to get shot. Along for the mission are Sarge (Dwayne "The Rock" Johnson), John "Reaper" Grimm (Karl Urban) and John's scientist sister, Samantha (Rosamund Pike).

JB: Though I wouldn't call myself a fan of the "Doom" game series, I have played them before and I know what they are all about: basically, shooting up hell spawn. The majority of the film is actually very different from the games, only in a very bad way.

WB: After playing "Doom 3" over the summer, I was quite

interested in seeing how a movie adaptation would capture the same kind of scary action.

Sadly, all this movie delivers are poorly designed sets, generic monsters and the worst dialogue since "Saw."

JB: Obviously, I didn't expect a deep story out of "Doom," because it doesn't need one to be entertaining. All it needed was enough action and thrills to match the style of entertainment offered by its videogame counterpart.

WB: Unfortunately, those small needs went unsatisfied and nothing happens for the first hour of the movie. The boredom of the first sixty minutes is even less tolerable when you take into account the inconsistent plot, poor dialogue and general lack of depth. The few monsters that actually appear only do so before quickly running away—until the last half-hour, at which point I was beyond caring anyway.

JB: The first hour of corridor searching looked like a cheap knockoff of "Alien." The shallow filming style and limited set gave the appearance that there were only three different tunnels in the Mars space station. The set design was uninspired.

WB: The faults of "Doom" might be forgiven if it had been

made on a B-movie budget, but it was not. "Doom" cost an estimated \$70 million.

The different types of monsters range from "skeleton" types to 8-foot tall slimy prune giants. They all look silly, and their explanation for existing is even worse.

All of those wondering if the infamous BFG (Big F***ing Gun) makes an appearance will be saddened to learn that you will only see walls destroyed by it.

JB: The only redeeming scene in "Doom" is the first-person view sequence. These five minutes of uninterrupted shooting and chainsaw slashing showcases more monsters than the entire movie up to that point.

WB: Director Andrzej Bartkowiak, whose resume includes "Cradle 2 the Grave," "Exit Wounds" and "Romeo Must Die," is primarily known for action over substance. While just as bad as these previous films, "Doom" doesn't even have much to offer in the way of action.

Interview with Mr. Boll

Jarrod Burns

Entertainment Writer

If the name Uwe Boll is familiar to you, then you probably know that most of his work is laughable. If you haven't heard of him, all you need know is that he is a Hollywood director responsible for the adaptation of a few cult videogames into some truly horrible films. He is from Germany, and his grasp of the English language is somewhat lacking. The following is an interview conducted with Mr. Boll. His responses have been edited slightly for clarity.

JB: I read that you received a Ph.D. in literature from Cologne University in Germany. How has this experience been used in your filmmaking career?

Uwe: It has not a lot of impact.

JB: This weekend, "Doom" was released in theaters. Have you seen the movie, and, if so, what did you think of what you saw?

Uwe: The trailer looked almost like our "Alone In the Dark" trailer.

JB: But have you actually seen "Doom" or played the game?

Uwe: I did not see it. I screened yesterday in Austen my movie "Bloodrayne."

JB: Many videogame based movies, including your work, are received with negative reviews. Why do you think that videogame movies get such a bad rap?

Uwe: In the eyes of critics, videogames are cheesy and only for idiots.

JB: Recently, you have been working only on videogame films. How long do you plan to continue to work on videogame movies?

Uwe: A few more I have to do. Videogame based movies make money.

JB: As you make more films, you seem to be getting more recognizable actors and actresses. How do you think this will affect your work and the public view of videogame based movies?

Uwe: No idea. I hope positively. Every one of my movies is better than the one I did before. So I'm

on the right way.

JB: According to the Internet Movie Database, you have three more videogame films in the works: "Far Cry," "Hunter: The Reckoning" and "Fear Effect." How do you choose what videogames you will adapt to a film? Do you play many videogames?

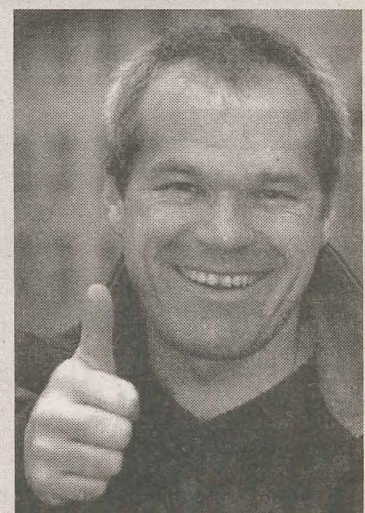
Uwe: I play a lot and I get a lot of offers. If I like a game and see potential I call the videogame company and we talk.

JB: In the USA, videogames are taking a lot of heat for their violent and sexual content right now. How do you feel about censorship and ratings of film and games in the USA, and how is it treated differently in your home country of Germany?

Uwe: USA is easier with violence than Germany. Germany is easier with sex. In Germany you have sex scenes in free TV at prime time. I'm not a friend of ratings....

JB: Some people claim that you sacrifice the quality of your work because you are guaranteed monetary return due to the way you fund your films. What do you have to say to those people—do you consider yourself a businessman or an artist?

Uwe: I'm a director who looks out for financing. To get the financing, I had to turn into a businessman. And I must show returns otherwise I don't get new money.



Source: www.ksta.de

The infamous videogame filmmaker Uwe Boll, responsible for such films as "Bloodrayne" and "Alone In the Dark."

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Must-have album for metal lovers



Andrew Beckman
Entertainment Writer

Exploding on to the modern metal scene straight from Grand Rapids, Michigan comes the energetic sound of the dark and epic band, Still Remains.

Touring non-stop for the majority of 2003 and 2004, Still Remains caught the eye of Roadrunner Records with their independent release, "If Love Was Born To Die."

This was quickly followed by the release of the highly anticipated full-length, "Of Love & Lunacy," produced by GGGarth Richardson.

The record begins with the technically fast-paced "To Live And Die By Fire," announcing that Still Remains' prominent sound from "If Love Was Born To Die" has progressed to an expansively new and more mature level.

Listeners get their first taste of Zachary Roth's uplifting keyboard work that compliments the brutal guitar progressions with a soothing and prominent chorus throughout the album.

The song finishes with

the first of many merciless breakdowns the disc has to offer.

"The Worst Is Yet To Come," the first track of "Of Love & Lunacy," is an anthem-like piece asking the listener to recall the greatest mistake they've ever made.

This track is also the first to unleash the harmonious vocals of new member and guitarist, Mike Church.

With the enhancement of Church's voice, lead vocalist T.J. Miller's already powerful screams and growls are lifted to a new level of ruthlessness and brutality.

"The Worst Is Yet To Come" also allows guitarist Jordan Whelan to display his complexity and precision as a musician.

The guitar work is always fast-paced and delivers a catchy minor hook. Jordan's work and originality also shines through in the song, "White Walls," and in the constructive use of breakdowns in "Cherished."

The band shows that their dynamic has grown in "Recovery" and "I Can Revive Him With My Own Hands." Both songs were originally released on "If Love Was Born To Die" and have been rerecorded for "Of Love & Lunacy."

The entire "Of Love & Lunacy" album is recorded a half step lower than "If Love

Was Born To Die," making the resulting songs sound darker.

The tempo throughout the album is faster and the band meshes together to create a kind of cohesion never before heard from Still Remains. The overall sound quality is

sharp and clean. These precise elements to Still Remains' sound demonstrate that the band has progressed as artists. Even so, they remain the aggressive and professional production of GGGarth Richardson.

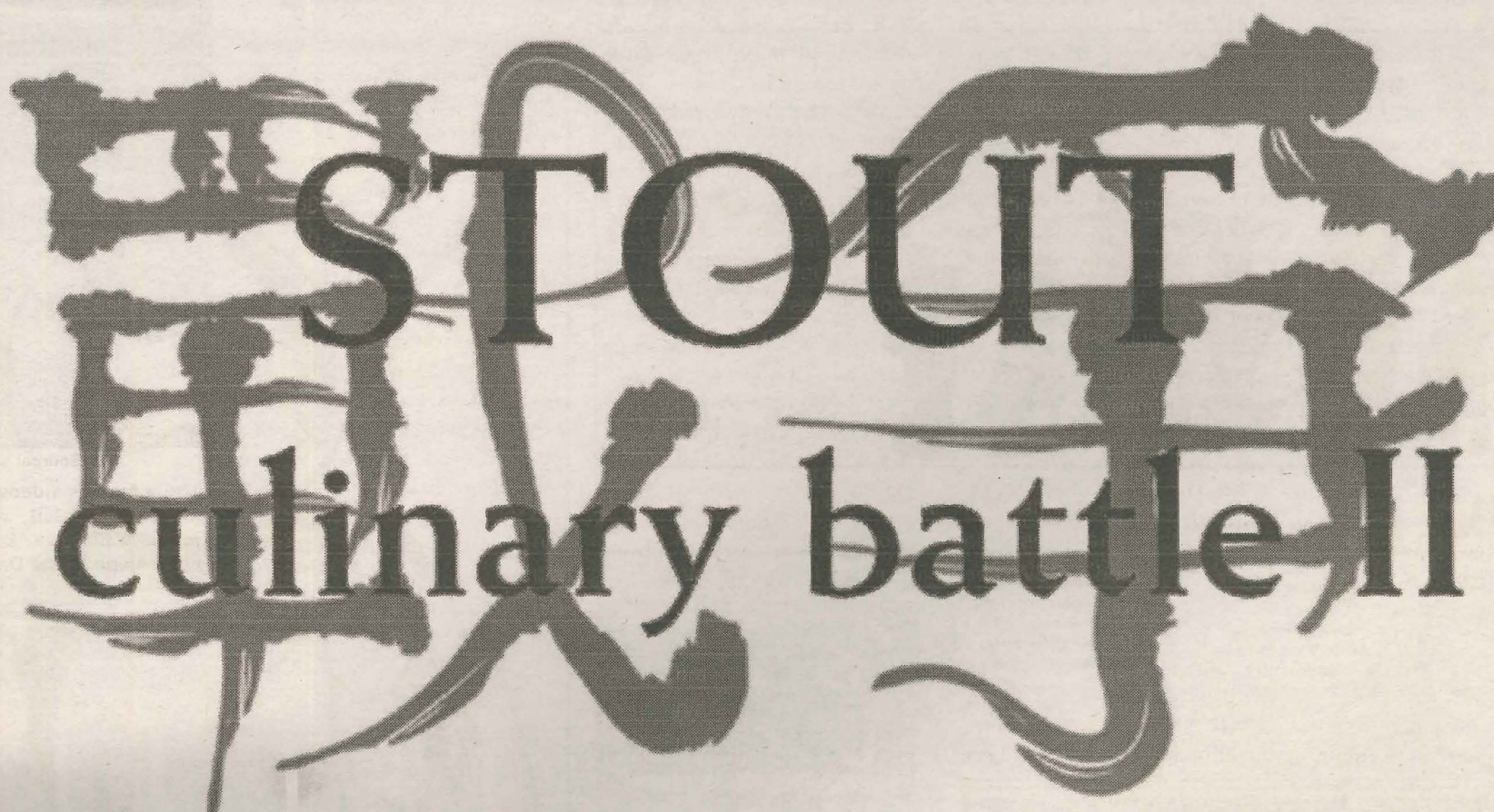
"Of Love & Lunacy" is a

must-have for any metal lover's collection. Comprised of soaring melodies, groundbreaking vocals, shredding guitar hooks and unforgiving breakdowns, Still Remains' freshman release from Roadrunner Records is simply brilliant.



Source: <http://myspace-718.vo.llnwd.net>

Still Remains' latest album, "Of Love & Lunacy," demonstrates that the band has progressed as artists since their debut. Even so, they remain aggressive and a must-have for any lover of metal music.



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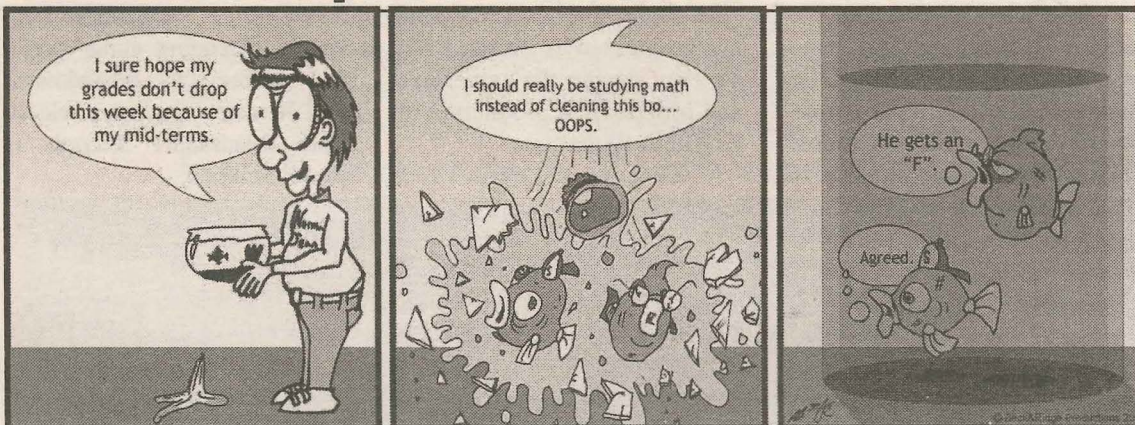
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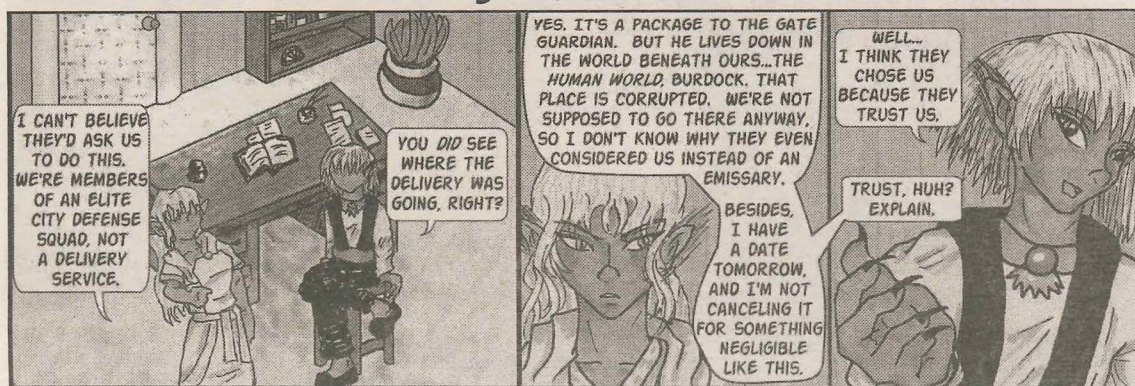
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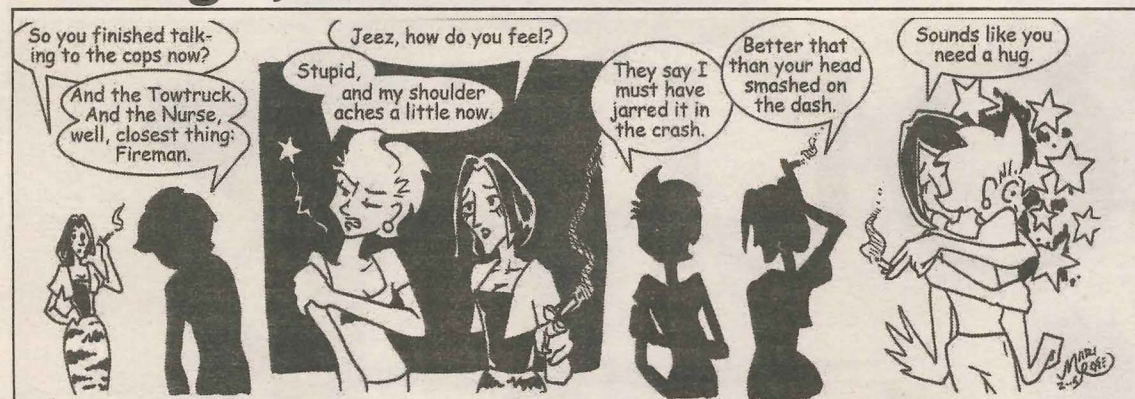
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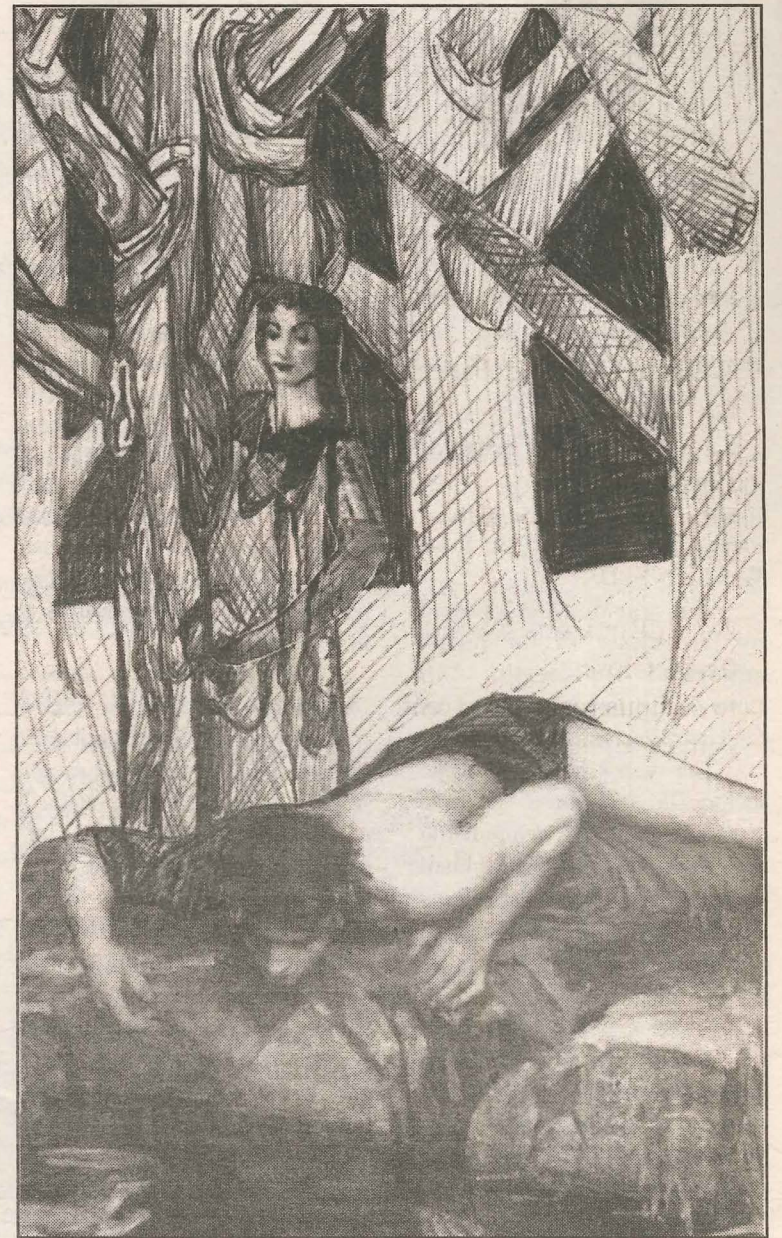
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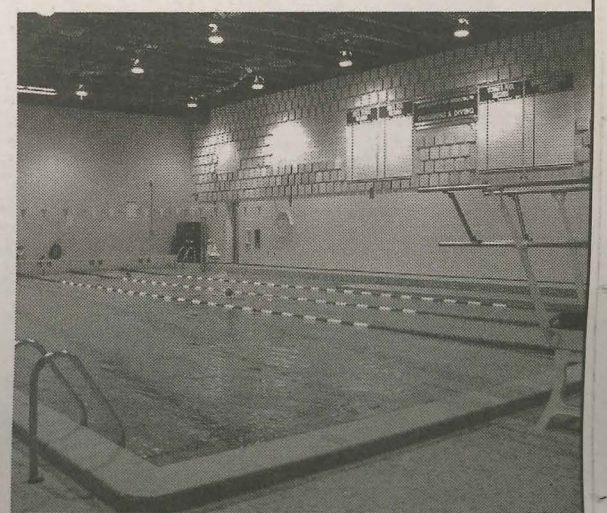
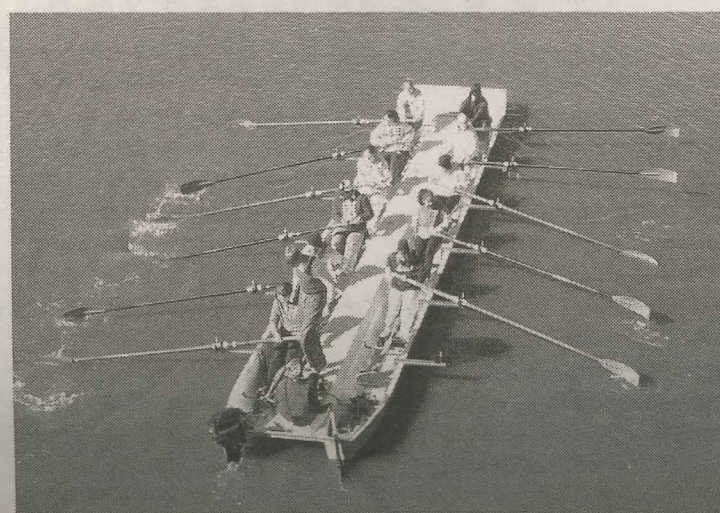
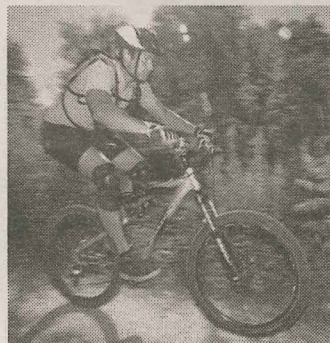
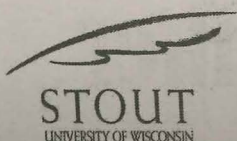
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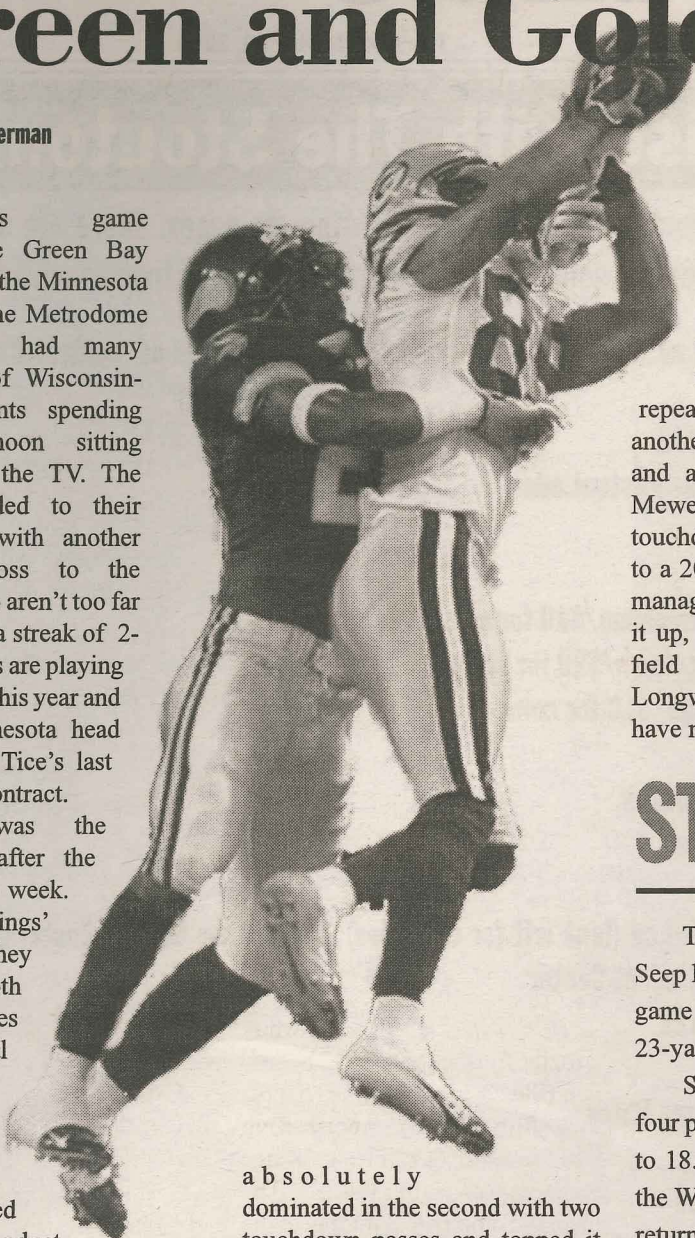
By Ryan Scheuerman
Sports Writer

Sunday's game between the Green Bay Packers and the Minnesota Vikings at the Metrodome undoubtedly had many University of Wisconsin-Stout students spending their afternoon sitting in front of the TV. The Packers added to their 1-4 streak with another upsetting loss to the Vikings, who aren't too far behind with a streak of 2-4. Both teams are playing bad football this year and this is Minnesota head coach Mike Tice's last year of his contract.

This was the first game after the Packers' bye week. After the Vikings' bye week, they had lost both of their games with a total score of 58-13;

maybe it could be due to the alleged sexual misconduct accusations while they were enjoying themselves on a cruise on Lake Minnetonka.

No scoring took place the entire first quarter, but the Packers



absolutely dominated in the second with two touchdown passes and topped it off with a field goal to make the score 17 to 0 at halftime. The Packers couldn't hold onto it though, and the Vikings answered back first with a 27 yard field

goal by Paul Edinger, followed by a 27 yard pass from Daunte Culpepper to Marcus Robinson to end the third quarter.

The fourth quarter wasn't much different from the third. The Vikings repeated themselves with another field goal by Edinger and a pass from Culpepper to Meweld Moore, for his first career touchdown bringing the Vikings to a 20-17 lead. The Packers did manage to make a field goal to tie it up, but not before two missed field goal attempts by Ryan Longwell, which very well could have made the game.

With the score 20-20 at the end of the fourth quarter, Minnesota ran the ball out of bounds with two seconds on the clock, leaving them only a slight chance for the win. The Vikings were stranded on the 56 yard line with a field goal opportunity by Edinger, which he made just barely above the goal post for his third successful kick of the day and a new career high. Unfortunately, the Packers couldn't say the same. It was a very upsetting loss for Packer fans, seeing how they dominated the first half. It seems they switched jerseys at halftime to turn the game around so drastically.

Mike Flannagan, Bubba Franks, Ahman Green, Earl Little and Roy Manning all suffered possible injuries for the Packers. The probable injuries for the Vikings include Nate Burleson, Moe Williams and Brian Williams, all with knee injuries.

With nearly double the rushing yards, and a combined performance by Daunte Culpepper and Paul Edinger, the Minnesota Vikings took home the win and moved themselves up to 12th in the NFC conference, right behind St. Louis, and moved the Packers down to last. Next week, Green Bay plays at Cincinnati while the Vikings head over to Carolina.

STOUTONIA's Athlete ^{THE} Week

The University of Wisconsin-Stout's Joe Seep had a memorable performance in Saturday's game with a 69-yard punt return in addition to a 23-yard punt return.

Seep finished the game with 115 yards on four punt returns which up his punt return average to 18.8 yards which ranks him in the top tier of the WIAC. So far this season, Seep had two punt return touchdowns and contributed a unassisted tackle against the Falcons.

The Blue Devils will return to action this Saturday, when the team travels to the University of Wisconsin-La Crosse to face the Eagles.

The Facts:

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Seep earned Wisconsin
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Teams Player of the
Week honors



Joe Seep
Football

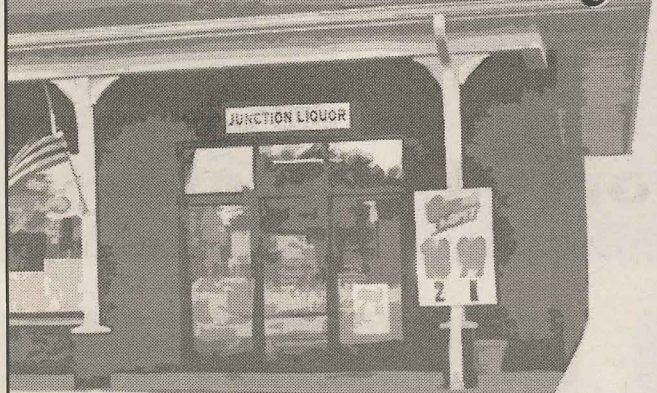


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Hockey / season kicks off

The Blue Devils' top three goal scorers from last season, Justin Huth (with 26 points), Andrew Stearns (23 points) and Luke Schroeder (20 points) will all be returning this year.

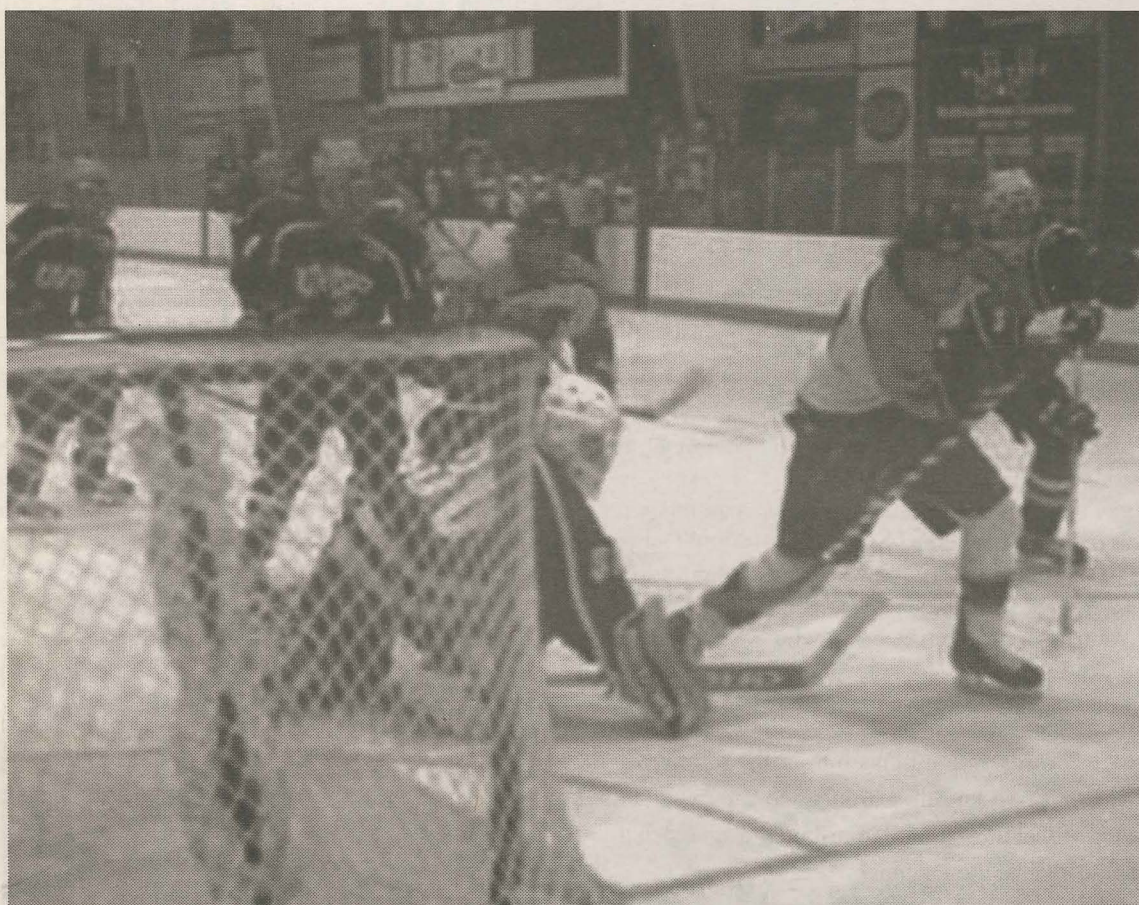
The team has been practicing hard and is more than ready for the season to begin.

"We started captain's practice about 6 weeks ago and have been together as a team since the beginning of October. We have had two Blue vs. White games the last two Fridays, but we are ready to get into a real game," said DeFrancesca.

The team's first home game

of the season will be played Nov. 5 when the Blue Devils battle St. Olaf College at the Dunn County Ice Arena starting at 7:30 p.m.

The hockey team has developed a strong tradition at UW-Stout and will be a sports team to watch as the Blue Devils take to the ice for another season.



Contributed by Layne Pitt/Stoutonia

The University of Wisconsin-Stout men's hockey team will kickoff its season this Friday when the Blue Devils travel to Appleton and will faceoff against Lawrence University.

Sports Briefs

The University of Wisconsin-Stout's defenseman Mike Kautz was named to the U.S. College Hockey Online Division III Preseason All-USCHO team. Kautz finished last season with first team All-Northern Collegiate Hockey Association (NCHA) and All-Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Conference honors. In addition, last season Kautz recorded eight goals and 10 assists for the Blue Devils, including four powerplay goals and one shorthanded goal. Kautz, a transfer from Lake Superior State College, joined the team last season. The UW-Stout hockey team will kick off its season Friday at Lawrence University in Appleton and will host St. Olaf College Nov. 5 at the Dunn County Ice Arena.

Krista Jahimiak and Bridgette Crozier snagged the top spots during Friday's Lake Wissota 5K at Lake Wissota State Park. Jahimiak won the race finishing in 18 minutes, 57 seconds, while Crozier finished a second behind her. Blue Devil Stephanie Nichols took fifth (19:13), Abbey Ring took seventh (19:21) and Katee Rosberg was eighth (19:22). The team will compete Saturday at the Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Conference Championships in Superior.

The Blue Devil's Nate Haeny finished with top honors in the men's 5K, finishing the race in 15 minutes, 55 seconds, for the men's cross country team. UW-Stout's runners recorded the top six spots as the team competed against the University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire in the unscored meet. Blue Devil Dave Schonscheck took second (16:12), Brett Heimstead was third (16:23), John Maresh fourth (16:32), Mark Kempen fifth (16:42) and Mike Heinen sixth (16:44). The men's team will also compete this weekend at the WIAC Championships.

The UW-Stout women's volleyball team gave up two matches in the first day of last week's UW-Stout volleyball tournament, dropping the first to Hamline University (26-30, 30-23, 29-31, 30-28, 15-13) and then losing to Illinois Wesleyan University (30-26, 30-27, 36-34). Blue Devil Jenny McDermid

recorded a career-high 21 kills in the match with Hamline University, as well as four block assists and two solo blocks. UW-Stout's Linda Meyer contributed 14 kills and 10 digs. Meyer also made her presence known against Illinois Wesleyan with 12 kills and 13 digs. The Blue Devils bounced back on Saturday, defeating Viterbo University (30-28, 30-28, 28-30, 31-33, 15-13) and topping the University of Dubuque (30-17, 30-14, 30-22) to finish the tournament 2-2.

Jenny McDermid was named to the all-tournament team and tallied 21 kills against Viterbo. Linda Meyer finished with 15 kills, Sarah McElfresh 13 and Natalie Naaktgeboren 11 as Jenna Welsh tacked on 35 assists. Against Dubuque, Shannon Lentz had nine kills while Meyer, McElfresh and McDermid each added eight.

The team concludes the regular season this weekend at the University of Wisconsin-River Falls Trick-or-Treat Invitational.

This week was a week of ties for the UW-Stout women's soccer team. The team concluded Friday's game in a scoreless tie against the University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire and it was more of the same Tuesday against UW-Eau Claire.

In Friday's game, Blue Devil goalie Charla Buxbaum recorded 13 saves on the day while teammate Liz Weirick made 11. The game dashed the team's hopes of a conference title race. On Tuesday, Charla Buxbaum made six saves for UW-Stout. The Blue Devils (9-2-4, 4-1-3) finished third in the WIAC and will host the University of Wisconsin-La Crosse in the first round of the WIAC Tournament. On Friday, the team will play Aurora (Ill.) College at the University of Wisconsin-Madison.

The Blue Devil women's tennis team took fifth at the WIAC Tennis Championships last weekend. UW-Stout was led by Jodi Czech who took fourth in the No. 3 singles.

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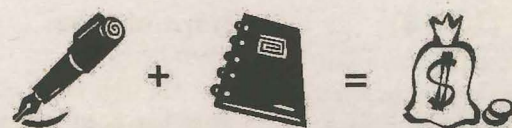
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FOOTBALL (5-2)

38-6 FINAL

The Blue Devils plowed past the UW-River Falls Saturday 38-6 to take the homecoming victory. The team will travel to the UW-La Crosse to play the Eagles on Saturday.



CROSS COUNTRY

The women's and men's teams both strided away with first place finishes at Saturday's Lake Wissota Invitational. Both teams will compete at this weekend's WIAC Championships.



TENNIS (7-5)

The Blue Devils concluded the season with a fifth place finish at last weekend's WIAC Championships.



SOCCER (9-2-4)

The team finished the week with tie games against UW-Eau Claire and UW-Superior. The Blue Devils will play Aurora College Friday.



VOLLEYBALL

(16-14)

The volleyball team finished 2-2 in last weekend's UW-Stout tournament. The Blue Devils will compete this weekend in the UW-River Falls' Trick-or-Treat Invite.



Blue Devils dominate the Falcons

By Matt Edison
Sports Writer

Domination took place last weekend as the University of Wisconsin-Stout's football team conquered the University of Wisconsin-River Falls Falcons 38-6 on Saturday.

It was a chilly day at Don and Nona Williams Stadium, but not for the Blue Devils, as the team fired things up.

The first quarter was a little rough for both teams, as they gave up a fumble apiece, but UW-Stout's linebacker Steve Schils turned things around for the Blue Devils by recovering a fumble, to put the first points on the board with a touchdown.

The game marked sophomore Tanner Kattre's first starting appearance as quarterback at UW-Stout. Kattre went 9-for-13 in completions during the game and added two touchdowns and ran for 100 yards. UW-Stout's running back Andy Reese carried the ball 20 times for a total of 116

yards rushing to help the Blue Devils stay on top.

UW-Stout dominated the whole first half and the team headed into the locker room with a 17-0 lead over the Falcons during halftime.

"The key factor in having a successful game on Saturday was because the offensive line had such a great performance," said Kattre.

The homecoming crowd was intense and gave much needed cheering and support on the chilly Saturday afternoon.

Junior nose guard Travis Hoffman had a strong performance for the Blue Devils by contributing five solo tackles and four assisted tackles. In addition, the Blue Devil's defense gave up less than 250 yards in the duration of the game.

Another key player for UW-Stout on Saturday was Rob Weinstein, a defensive back, who picked off two Falcon passes to give the Blue Devils better

chances to score.

UW-River Falls had a turbulent day on the field and UW-Stout was more than willing to take advantage of the opportunities that it provided.

The Falcons attempted just three passes on the day, which converted into two interceptions and one incompleteness.

Todd Strop is in his second season as the head coach of the Blue Devil football team, and he hopes to lead the team into the post season.

"We are just taking one game at a time and I am very pleased on how the team is doing," said Strop.

While UW-Stout has a strong running game, one of the team's weaknesses lies in the team's passing game.

"Our passing game still needs work and more improvement," said Kattre.

"Jesse Wendt is one of our best wide receivers and we need to be able to use him more," said

coach Strop.

Teams are starting to realize that they need to start to triple cover Wendt, so the Blue Devils are going to have to figure out other options.

There are just three games left in the regular season and the playoffs start the weekend after November 12.

UW-Stout is currently 5-2 in the conference and 2-2 in the Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Conference. The next three games are all WIAC games, which play an important role in how the Blue Devils finish in regular season play.

The team is following in the same footsteps as they did last year. UW-Stout needs to buckle down and get the next three needed wins in order to go into the playoffs as a higher seed than last season.

The Blue Devils will travel to La Crosse on Saturday to take on the University of Wisconsin-La Crosse Eagles at 1 p.m.



Andrew Manrique/Stoutonia

The UW-Stout football team added another win Saturday as the Blue Devils downed the University of Wisconsin-River Falls 38-6 to homecoming festivities. This Saturday the team will travel to the University of Wisconsin-La Crosse to take on the Eagles.

Blue Devil hockey team glides into a new season

By Ryan Scheuerman
Sports Writer

The Blue Devil men's hockey team has been around since the University of Wisconsin-Stout was founded in 1891 and is ready to kick off another season on Friday at Lawrence University with the game starting at 7 p.m.

The Blue Devils had a solid season last year finishing 5-5-3 overall with 3.09 goals against the average and are anticipating an even better one this year.

The team's head coach, Terry Watkins, has been with the hockey program at UW-Stout for more than 20 years and coached varsity for 10 of those years.

"We had four goals for the beginning of the year, we wanted to get deeper in goal, we wanted a better defense, we wanted a couple more goal scorers, and we wanted to be bigger up front. I feel we have achieved all four goals," said Watkins.

"Last year the team was

primarily composed of freshman and sophomores, and with their record they had I am very excited to see how they do this year."

"I feel really good about this year's team, we have a solid core of returners and we have a great group of freshman that are going to play a big part in the success of this year's team," said Junior Jeff DeFrancesca.

Coach Watkins has brought in nine different recruits for this year's team who he thinks will be

a big contribution to what will be a successful season.

Last year, BJ Garczynski, Todd Wynia, Adam Boche, all defenders for UW-Stout's team, were awarded all-conference recognition for their efforts.

"We are concentrating on competing against every team every night, but we love playing the top teams like River Falls, Superior, and St. Norbert," said DeFrancesca.

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Plans begin for \$35 million project

By Lindsey Schuldt
News Editor

The University of Wisconsin-Stout is always trying to be one step ahead of the competition. First the laptops, then the possibility of becoming polytechnic and now

a first rate addition to Jarvis Hall science wing. The State Building Commission has approved \$890,000 to prepare plans and designs for the UW-Stout's Jarvis Hall science wing renovation.

UW-Stout campus planner George Acker doesn't plan on

having an architect and engineer picked for several months. He estimates that the committee for the new building will begin its planning between late winter and early spring of 2006. The total budget for the project will be \$35 million if approved.

"Bycreating 'communities'"

within the new building, the physical and psychological barriers of the past will be removed and new paradigms will foster better interaction and communication among students and faculty," said Acker.

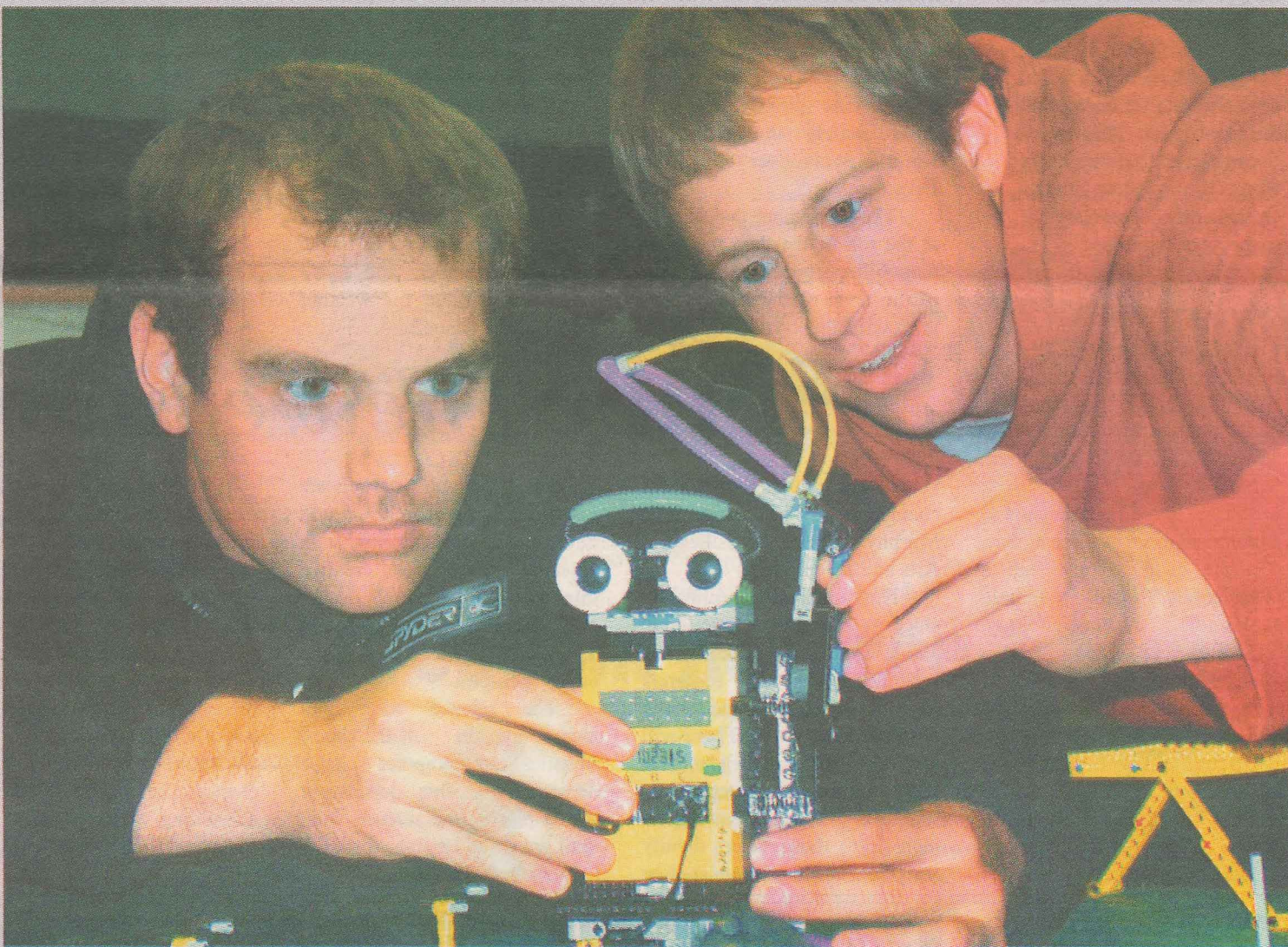
The committee that will be doing the planning will consist

of representatives from campus planning, the physical plant, the College of Arts and Science, and the UW system administration.

"We want to build a building that will be flexible enough to be used even with the changes in 50

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Stout organization to bring in LEGO tournament



Lindsey Schuldt/Stoutonia

LEGOs aren't just fun for grade schoolers. The Society of Manufacturing Engineers (SME) was playing with one of their robots on the course they will be using for University of Wisconsin-Stout's First LEGO League Tournament.

The tournament, coming to UW-Stout on Dec. 3, is for 9 and 10-year-olds who will create their own LEGO robots and then run the robots through a course with many obstacles.

Pictured to the left playing with a robot are Chris Walkowicz, a senior in manufacturing engineering and Aaron Mader, a senior in manufacturing engineering.

"This is going to bring a lot of people to Stout," said Steven Swoboda, a junior in manufacturing engineering and the president of SME. "We're expecting more than 300 people to come to Stout."

Students who want to volunteer to help at the tournament can contact Swoboda at swobodas@uwstout.edu, or contact UW-Stout professor and the coordinator of the event, Danny Bee at beed@uwstout.edu.

Panty thief can't resist all of the panties

By Emily Alwin
News Writer

In 2003 a then University of Wisconsin-Stout student made national news when police found 854 pairs of stolen women's underwear in his possession. Most people thought this odd crime was over after the first trial.

Then Anthony Scholfield,

24, more commonly known as the panty thief to many UW-Stout students and locals, struck again this summer.

"It's very disgusting," said a female sophomore in industrial design. "Where is he finding all this time to steal underwear?"

Scholfield was charged with burglary and stealing three pairs

of women's underwear on July 8 2005. The victim in this case was a female resident of Menomonie.

The incident took place over the Fourth of July weekend when Scholfield was delivering pizzas in Menomonie. The victim had pizza delivered to her house where she claimed to have recognized Scholfield.

That weekend the victim

went out of town and upon her return she noticed her window screens were torn and her dresser drawer was slightly open.

Upon further investigation, the victim claimed that she had three pairs of very distinctive thong underwear missing.

The victim went to the police who then issued a search warrant for Scholfield's home because

of his prior history and his recent visit to her house. While rummaging through Scholfield's belongings, the police found 14 pairs of women's underwear, including the victim's three missing pairs. The underwear were found above several ceiling tiles in his house. Scholfield was

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1 Citation- Open container
1 Citation- UAD 1st offense

Vandalization begins
UW-staff found that the south most inside door on the west side of the Health and Fitness Center had been vandalized. The handle had been pulled off and was missing. This is the third time that this has happened.

Vandalism happens again
A woman met officers at her vehicle parked in lot 4 after discovering that both outside mirrors of her vehicle had been broken off of the mounts. Also, there was a smudge of some sort on the driver's side window, thought to be from a shoe. The woman was asked if she was having problems with anyone in particular and she responded that she was not.

The vandals still not done
While checking doors at Harvey

Hall, police went in the alley-way and noticed that the single door that leads to the basement of Harvey was not secure. When they pulled open the door, they heard another door close. The officers ran down the stairs and noticed a door at the bottom of stairs was missing a knob. One of the officers used pliers to open the door. The officers then proceeded to check all four floors of Harvey Hall. There was no one located in the building. They found a single door on the backside of Harvey damaged. The whole bottom of the door was broken, allowing someone to crawl under it and enter the building unknown.

Suspicious Activity-MSc
A complaintant reported that someone wrote the message "We Kill Hunters" on a sign posted on the 1st floor of the Student Center. The sign was for an egg roll sale sponsored by the Hmong Stout Student Organization. There are no suspects or witnesses.

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also charged with possession of marijuana and paraphernalia.

In 2003, Scholfield served 90 days in jail after breaking into the home of eight female college students over Thanksgiving and spring break.

He raided the dressers of five girls, stealing more than 70 pairs of underwear in each raid.

When the police arrested him on April 22, 2003 they discovered all of the different pairs of thong underwear hidden throughout his home. These were believed to be from various

raids Scholfield committed. After paying \$8,873.04 in restitution, Scholfield was released from prison and given a warning not to commit anymore of these raids.

"He needs to pick up a new hobby," said a female sophomore in psychology. "It's scary that students at UW-Stout, female students, have to worry about locking up their underwear."

Scholfield will appear at his final pretrial on Jan. 1, 2006, and his jury trial will begin on Jan 19.

Tainter lake revival

By Kristie Wilson
News Writer

Fishermen in Dunn County have quickly found out that Tainter Lake looks a little shallow lately.

Due to a more than overwhelming amount of rain on the upper end of Red Cedar River in the Washburn and Barron counties, Tainter Lake has had to be partially drained so the work on the Cedar Falls dam can continue.

"We probably would have been done with this thing by early November," said Rob Olson, hydro licensing specialist for Xcel Energy.

The heavy rain has delayed the dam work by about two weeks. Now they are looking for it to be completed by the second week in Nov. When the two-week delay occurred, it was estimated that about three weeks of work was left.

It took a couple of days for the water to reach the dam.

Once it did, it made an impact on anyone who uses the dam, anyone who works on it and even fishermen just wanting to use Tainter Lake.

At one point there was approximately three feet of water flowing over the Cedar Falls dam.

The equipment that is used at the top of the dam has been demobilized because of impact of the level of the lake. This is exactly the crew anticipated.



<http://www.dunnconnect.com/articles/2005/10/20/news/news05.txt>

The reconstruction of the dam by Tainter Lake was delayed after heavy rainfalls overfilled the portion of the lake that had been drained. Fisherman are temporarily out of luck in certain parts of the lake.

Their equipment includes a crane on a barge.

With this amount of water, workers could do nothing but wait for the water to slow up. The work being done involves installing a rubber gate system on the dam.

Tainter Lake was drained by five-and-a-half feet. As of last Monday morning the level was down three-and-a-half feet.

The equipment that is used at the top of the dam has been demobilized due to the impact of the level of the lake.

"If we get delayed another two weeks, that takes us to the end of November, and that's pretty undesirable for weather sometimes," Olson said.

Sixty percent of the water will pass downstream when the lake is to be refilled. This will be done to maintain levels. Forty percent will be kept to fill the reservoir.

If the large amounts of rain continue to in Dunn County, this could delay the project even more, which would lead to colder working conditions.

"Dams are probably the coldest, windiest places around to work," said Olson,

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years—not knowing what those changes will be," said John Murphy, dean of the College of Arts and Sciences.

Not updated significantly since its original construction in 1970, the project will add space for instruction and research, as well as update functionally obsolete classrooms. There will also be upgrades in the electrical and plumbing infrastructure.

"All research spaces, including those for faculty and those dedicated to student

projects, should replicate industrial research and development laboratories, with adjacent space for creative thinking, experimental design and problem solving," said Think Tank, a Jarvis Hall group led by Murphy.

The science wing will incorporate the mathematics, statistics and computer science department. This department was a part of the science wing until space constraints forced it to move in 1986.

"A wonderful opportunity exists for UW-Stout to provide its students, faculty, staff and visitors an instructional and research science facility reflective of an interdisciplinary collaborative [teaching effort]," said Acker.

Murphy's group also cited the need to create a space for interdisciplinary work.

"Rarely do faculty get a chance to be involved in building a building of the future," said Murphy. "I'm really excited."

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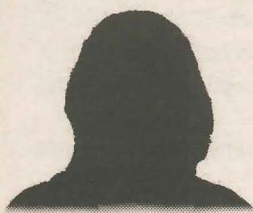
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Campus food needs more variety



Staff Editorial
The Stoutonia Staff

There are many opinions about the quantity, the variety and the overall quality of the food on campus. Most of them, unfortunately, are not very positive.

Many feel that not only should food and beverages be less expensive, but that there should be more of a variety offered as well. Tainter on North Campus doesn't even offer breakfast anymore.

There is talk about bringing it back. Word has it that there is going to be a vote in

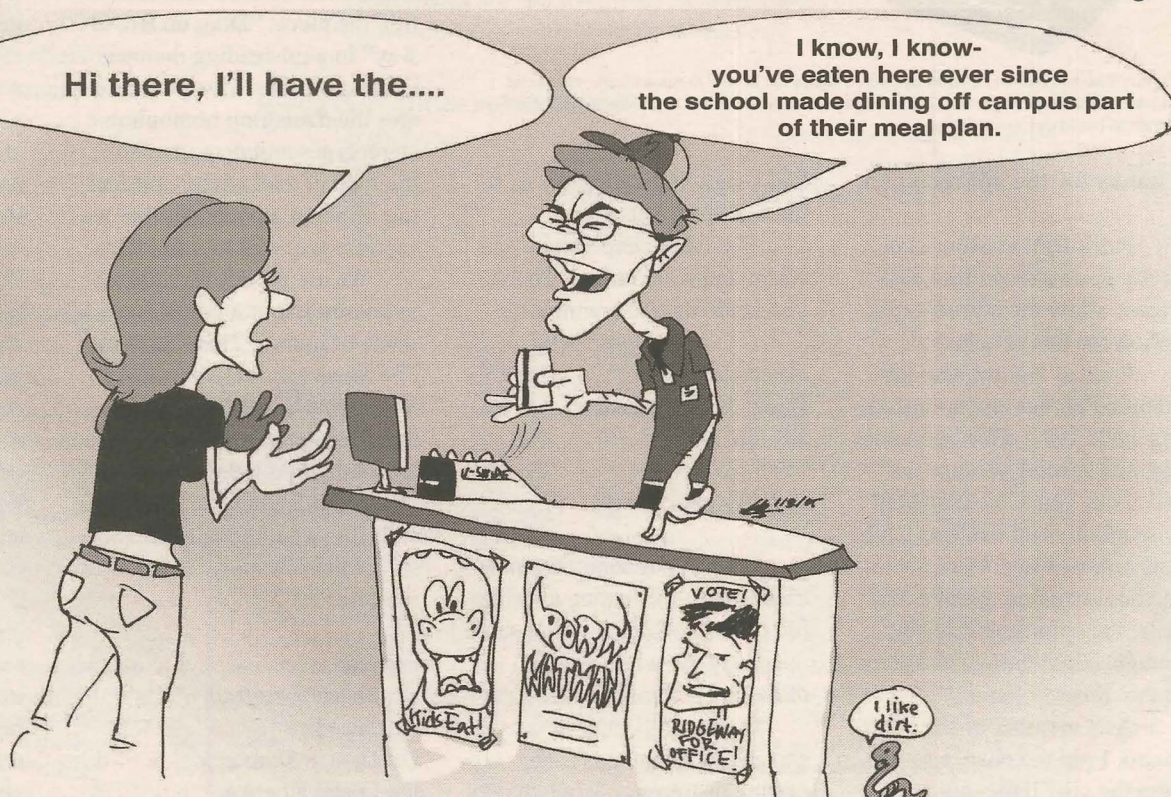
JTC about this, but that it would be more expensive this time around. Students in North Campus residence halls have filled out surveys.

Seeing things being used more than once in the Commons or other places seems to be a concern. Eating the same basic food used in different ways for three days in a row doesn't seem to be enjoyed by very many.

One thing that stood out as being more expensive are the carts around campus. These can be found in a few of the buildings around campus. They serve as a good place to stop between classes or when in a rush for a quick bite to eat.

When one considers what is paid for a dining plan, shouldn't there be a good variety of good food available? Actually, it is the board fee that is so expensive. And it's even more expensive if you live on South Campus.

According to <http://stoutinfo.uwstout.edu>, the board fee for South Campus residents is \$100 higher than that for North Campus resi-



dents. The dining funds also start at a higher rate for those on South Campus.

On North Campus, the amount of dining funds for the first plan is \$142. On South Campus it is \$192. Maybe since there is no breakfast for those on North Campus, it is cheaper. Or maybe people on North Campus don't eat as much in the Commons as those on South Campus.

What if money from your dining plan could be used other places?

Someone at *The Stoutonia's* weekly meeting mentioned that in Eau Claire the Blugold card, which is

similar to the Stout One card, can be used at restaurants on or near campus.

This could serve as more of a variety for places or things to eat. Generally, this was thought to be a good idea, and something that UW-Stout should look into doing. But there were also some negative thoughts on this idea.

Some thought that health would be an issue. There is already the dreaded "freshmen 15." Being able to easily access fast food restaurants when not really spending any more money would just add to this problem.

Others thought that this

would also make it easier to just use the card after drinking.

Let's face it; at some point most of us have felt the urge to buy food when drunk. Whether it be pizza, a sub or whatever else you may crave in your drunken stupor, alcohol makes someone want food whether they really should be eating it or not.

Aside from a few problems mentioned, most seemed to like the idea of being able to use money from their dining plans at fast food places near campus. Although, this would make it much easier to spend that money.

Freedom not free Scaring children



Shawn Peter
Columnist

1215 A.D.; July 4, 1776; March 4, 1789; June 6, 1944; November 9, 1989 and Jan 4, 2004.

These dates represent key events in history and are the first ones that come to my mind when I think of the spread of freedom and liberty throughout the world. Here are my reasons:

When King John's abuse of power resulted in the creation of the Magna Carta in 1215, he unknowingly began a series of events that hasn't stopped.

The Magna Carta was the grandfather of British law and later, the U.S. Constitution and the Bill of Rights because it expanded rights and liberties of the people and limited the power of the government.

The Declaration of Independence was signed July 4, 1776. The basic principles of life, lib-

erty and the pursuit of happiness, along with the granting of unalienable rights from our creator are most important to remember and should never be forgotten.

On March 4, 1789, our constitution was adopted to serve as a cornerstone for democracy and freedom, not only for the United States, but throughout the world for decades to come.

Freedom is not free; the costs are great and have been paid in blood.

D-Day, June 6, 1944, was the day that thousands of American soldiers stormed Normandy's beaches and eventually defeated the evil that was ruling Europe at that time.

Victory in Europe Day (May 8, 1945) and Victory over Japan Day (August 15, 1945) ended World War II, declaring victory for the free world. But the Iron Curtain descended upon Eastern Europe following the war, limiting freedom in those nations over the next four decades.

On November 9, 1989, Reagan's call of "Mr. Gorbachev, tear down this wall" two years prior was granted when

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Matt Schubbe
Columnist

Children are very easy to scare.

Whoa. Okay, let's back up from that one a bit. I have enough people that don't understand my sense of humor as it is, so I don't need them thinking I'm a creep, too. I should clarify my opening statement a little bit.

Children are very easy to scare if you dress up the right way on Halloween. There, that isn't SO bad. Maybe a little mean, but its got a good story attached to it. It all began last Thursday night.

As many of you are aware, kids from all over Menomonie come out to trick or treat in the residence halls on North Campus on the Thursday before Halloween.

To make it more fun for the kids (and ourselves) the stu-

dents living in those residence halls usually dress up to pass out candy. Sure, it's not Halloween, but it's still fun to get out your costume a little early.

Needless to say, my friends and I decided that we couldn't pass up the opportunity to try out the costumes we had bought for the weekend.

We had decided long ago that we were going as The Fantastic Four, America's first family of super heroes.

Obviously, there wasn't a plethora of adult sized Fantastic Four costumes; in fact, there were actually none.

As a side note, that's total crap, costume makers of America. Who are you to decide that a grown - well, mostly - man such as myself doesn't want to gird myself in form fitting spandex?

On second thought, maybe that was an admission I should have kept to myself. I have a delete key, but no, I'll leave it in. Gotta get people reading this somehow.

So what was our solution? Did my three friends and I make costumes? Of course not. We just

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Thanks for the appreciation

Patriotism at Stout is in pretty good shape these days. Please allow me a brief explanation for this conclusion.

I am an alumni who has attended all but one homecoming since 1973. This homecoming was special because the old Stout Vets Club also held a reunion. And the Vets Club was honored to not only be in the homecoming parade, but to be the color guard for the parade and opening ceremony at the football game.

As a member of the color guard, I got the chance to witness the crowd the entire length of the parade. Not one bad word was shouted at us, nor was anything thrown our way. At least 95% stood, removed their cap, and put their hand over their heart. The other 5% just didn't know this proper protocol. The vast majority also applauded us, as we

had a sign indicating we were the old Stout Vets Club.

The whole experience was warm and welcoming. Thank you students and community.

Sincerely,
Garry "Slick" Kroft
BS '76, MS '83

Faculty concerned

What is our commitment as a campus to facilitating a feeling of comfort, of inclusivity to those outside of the white, middle class, and heterosexual majority?

Imagine yourself in the shoes of a lesbian, gay, bisexual, or transgendered student as you read *The Stoutonia's* October 13th Police Beat, the piece entitled, "Drag on Broadway". Can you feel a bit of the fear that one might experience to be stopped by police, having been perceived as the "wrong" gender to be carrying a purse or a bag, and thus assumed to

having stolen that purse.

The short paragraph in *The Stoutonia* did not offer important facts to help us understand what happened. For *The Stoutonia* to report this incident without the context and then to title the piece, "Drag on Broadway" in a misleading manner, is irresponsible. This perpetuates the damaging homophobic stereotypes and demonstrates the type of exclusivity and feeling of being an outsider that we espouse we want to eliminate.

We are faculty members in possession of a collective sense of humor. This report in *The Stoutonia* wasn't funny. Students who already feel as though they are on the outside are evaluating whether or not UW-Stout is going to "walk the walk" or whether calls for inclusivity and diversity are merely rhetoric.

Signed:

Dr. Susan Wolfgram
Dr. Jan Hare
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Dr. Leslie Koepke
Dr. Kevin Doll
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Hypocritical advertising

Undoubtedly, any alert student has noticed the small green "Porn Nation" flyers around campus. Touting the slogans

"Love it? Hate it? Love to Hate it?" One might assume this is some kind of dialogue on social issues surrounding pornography in our world today. At first, this seemed a relatively innocent (although taboo) scheme to generate publicity.

The other day, however, I was going through the Communication Technologies building and Frkylund Hall only to notice a new ploy from the Crusaders. It seems, the group has decided to give in to the temptation of "sex sells" by creating colorful (and no doubt expensive) posters with a photograph of a scantily clad woman on the front. I have seen many variations of this near-pornographic poster tacked up throughout several academic buildings. This material is hardly studious and has no place in our academic buildings.

Using sexual images to entice students into attending a session in which the very same material will be religiously rebuked; is WRONG. Crusade is using the very same strategy they will admonish in their presentation, to increase their attendance- this is revolting-these tactics are a shameful way to present so-called religious values.

I urge students not to be naively lured into this hypocritical group's showing of 'Porn Nation.' I would welcome the idea of a legitimate social forum

on the issue of pornography, especially from a group who would not use pornography to boost attendance.

Campus Crusaders for Christ, this time, you have gone too far!

Matthew L. Swanson
Technical Communication

Police setting bad example

It's a sad day when a UW-Stout police officer won't stop or even slow down for a pedestrian crossing the street. Last week I was crossing Broadway (using the crosswalk like a good pedestrian) by North Hall at about 9 am when a UW-Stout police officer neglected to stop for me, forcing me to stop in the middle of the road and wait for him to pass. Unfortunately, the vehicles following the police car must have decided that since the officer didn't stop, they didn't have to either, and at least four cars drove right past me as I stood in the middle of the busy road waiting to cross. It is ironic to me that even with the neon green pedestrian signs that are placed in the crosswalks a UW-Stout police officer will still put the life of a student in jeopardy.

Aimee Gabrielson
UW-Stout Graduate Student

Non-laptop students forgotten Costume Freedom



Tiffany Laschinger
Columnist

I started at the University of Wisconsin-Stout in the fall of 2001, the year before the launch of the laptop program.

The first year of the program was a bit rough. The transition was especially rough on professors trying to integrate a laptop into the previous pen and paper note taking techniques. Laptops were also a new distraction for students. As time went on, the laptops became as much a part of the classroom as chalkboards.

What about us non-laptop students?

UW-Stout has become so consumed by being this competitive technology campus that it has forgotten about students, still at this school, that are not in this program. I suppose they assume the last of us have all graduated, after all, it has been four years.

Well, like many students would agree, four years just isn't enough to earn a degree. I am on the five-year plan, and I know many people that are in my boat.

There are still a good percentage of students that either started in 2001 or earlier or transferred in with enough credits to opt out of the laptop program.

I haven't had a problem with the laptop program until recently.

There are many classes where the instructor assumes that everyone has a laptop. This

is a problem when they ask their students to access a Website, or something on the server while in class. Those students without a laptop are being cast out, in a sense.

UW-Stout has great computer lab facilities to go to do homework. But this keeps me on campus for very long hours. I am also a lab monitor, and many nights I am one of the only people in my lab. I have noticed this pattern all over campus.

As an art major, we rely heavily upon input from each other when we do our projects, as do many other majors. Since the laptops allow students to do their work at home, it limits their work and others, because they can't turn to their peers for a quick critique.

Another frustrating problem for the non-laptop students is Ask 5000. Previously, students could turn to Ask 5000 to get the bugs worked out of their computers even if they weren't the UW-Stout issued laptops.

As of this year, Ask 5000 no longer services personal computers for free. They charge \$40 an hour.

I relied on this in the past to fix my outdated computer I bought before I came to UW-Stout. As most of you can relate, money is tight. So, my computer will have to stay broken.

I am grateful for the technology we have, but UW-Stout is almost too consumed with staying up-to-date with the latest technology. Our professors rely solely on computers and programs to teach students, while

there are many other forms of technology in each major that are essential to the learning process.

This equipment doesn't seem to be as important to the administration.

In many of my studio classes, we rely on old equipment to create our art. Buying new equipment is a long process because the budget for these things is very modest. Even getting parts for these old machines can break a budget, sometimes for the entire year.

I understand that the budget for technology and materials for each department is completely separate. I wish our administration would put some more effort in finding the up-keep of equipment that each program uses to teach students.

Maybe the administration should take their focus from making this campus look good, and invest more time and money into their students and making their majors better. They should put the money into keeping the good instructors, instead of losing them to schools and jobs that will pay and treat them better. Many majors have taken hits, by losing an instructor who has really helped shape the major.

UW-Stout is much more than a Baldrige winning, technology school with laptops for almost every student. It is a campus full of smart and talented students and teachers in majors that can compete with the top schools.

I have had a great education here, but I hope UW-Stout doesn't lose sight of their students.

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bought the largest size in kids' costumes we could find and wore them around the dorm all night.

We also took appropriate precautions as far as, how can I put this, the groin area. We wanted to keep things in check downstairs, so we all purchased athletic supporters. Believe me, if you saw the costumes, you'd agree with us that it was necessary.

Even though we were all in the same boat as far as how ill-fitting our costumes were, I think I got the short end of the stick as far as which member of the Fantastic Four I ended up portraying.

As most of you know, one of them is a girl, and we were four guys. You do the math. I was the Invisible Woman.

Even funnier than the costumes themselves was the kids' reactions to them. They ranged from laughing out loud to mild terror, but luckily no one was scarred for life.

One kid did keep calling me "Mr. Lady," and a mother of one of the kids asked my friend Boomer (the Human Torch) to "turn it around for her," but no one suffered any serious psychological damage.

So what did I learn from this experience? Well, I don't think I'm going to tell you. I seem to be ending a lot of my articles lately in a "The More You Know" format.

I'm done with that. I'll just let everyone enjoy the thought of me cross-dressing as a super hero for kids.

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the Berlin Wall fell, symbolizing the fall of communism and tyranny in Eastern Europe.

By December 1991, the Soviet Union had collapsed, which signaled the end of the Cold War and a major victory for the free world. Some said Afghanistan would never adopt a democracy and enjoy liberty like we do in the United States, but on January 4, 2004, the critics were proven wrong.

Even women in Afghanistan have rights, including the right to vote, something unheard of in an Islamic country before. The advance of freedom will continue, and we are beginning to see that in places like Iraq. Freedom will never be a free ride.

These events took leadership, vision and sometimes the ultimate sacrifice to win freedom. It's important to never forget.

The week of November 7 is National Freedom week. It's important to learn about the significance of events in history so we never take our freedom and liberties for granted.

On Wednesday, Nov. 9 the SSA will be sponsoring a speaker to reflect upon the significance of our freedoms.

Friday, Nov. 11 is Veteran's Day. As this day approaches, reflect back when you see the flags at half-mast. Most importantly, be sure to support the troops who serve in our armed forces. Thank our veterans for their commitment to preserve freedom, and remember the fallen who defended what we enjoy today.

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1	1	611 13th Street #7	\$325	\$325	n/a	n/a			8	4	2	1702 6th Street	\$950	\$238	\$1,140	\$285	lots of space, great location, W/D	H	
1	1	400 1/2 Main Street #3	\$330	\$330	n/a	n/a			6	4	2	602 12th Avenue East	\$1,000	\$250	\$1,210	\$303	new large bedrooms, close to campus	D	
1	1	703 1/2 3rd Street East #4	\$330	\$330	n/a	n/a			A	4	2	1301 9th Street	\$1,020	\$255	\$1,270	\$318	beautiful house, garage, location, washer/dryer	H	
1	1	703 1/2 3rd Street East #5	\$330	\$330	n/a	n/a			A	4	2	1317 8th Street	\$1,040	\$260	\$1,250	\$313	washer/dryer deck good location	H	
1	1	703 1/2 3rd Street East #9	\$330	\$330	n/a	n/a			A	4	2	332 1/2 Main Street	\$1,040	\$260	\$1,240	\$310	Huge washer/dryer, deck downtown, parking	H	
1	1	803 Wilson Avenue #5	\$335	\$335	n/a	n/a			8	4	2	1021 8th Street	\$1,100	\$275	\$1,345	\$336	beautiful house w/decks close to campus W/D	H	
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1	1	333 1/2 Main Street #1	\$400	\$400	n/a	n/a			A	5	2	607 13th Avenue East	\$950	\$190	\$1,140	\$228	huge rooms, location, parking washer/dryer	H	
1	1	333 1/2 Main Street #2	\$400	\$400	n/a	n/a			A	5	1.5	1107 2nd Street West	\$1,000	\$200	\$1,260	\$252	good layout/close to campus	H	
1	1	803 Wilson Avenue #1	\$475	\$475	n/a	n/a			8	5	2	2303 3rd Street	\$1,025	\$205	\$1,305	\$261	detached garage, large, washer/dryer	H	
2	1	1506 1/2 6th Street	\$330	\$165	\$428	\$214			D	5	2.5	1502 7th Street	\$1,050	\$210	\$1,250	\$313	washer/dryer, remodeled	H	
2	1	1218 9th Street	\$350	\$175	n/a	n/a			D	5	2	2006 5th Street #B	\$1,100	\$220	\$1,380	\$276	newer W/D, has everything	3	
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2	1	921 Main Street #2	\$360	\$180	\$500	\$250			4	5	2.5	902 Main Street	\$1,125	\$225	\$1,405	\$281	great location, W/D, large rooms, fenced yard	H	
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2	1	115 West Main Street	\$380	\$190	\$500	\$250			3	5	2	1708 6th Street #B	\$1,325	\$265	\$1,545	\$309	washer/dryer, parking, large bedrooms	D	
2	1	119 West Main Street #2	\$380	\$190	\$450	\$225			3	6	2	1402 8th Street	\$600	\$100	\$790	\$132	washer/dryer gas heat good layout	H	
2	1	2121 5th Street #A	\$395	\$198	n/a	n/a			4	6	1.5	221 4th Street West	\$700	\$117	\$960	\$160	washer/dryer gas heat, north campus	H	
2	1	2121 5th Street #B	\$395	\$198	n/a	n/a			4	6	2	1602 8th Street	\$900	\$150	\$1,100	\$183	washer/dryer storage gas heat	H	
2	1	2121 5th Street #C	\$395	\$198	n/a	n/a			4	6	2	504 10th Street	\$900	\$150	\$1,180	\$197	W/D hook-ups, gas heat, large rms.	H	
2	1	2121 5th Street #D	\$395	\$198	n/a	n/a			4	6	2	415 13th Avenue West	\$1,050	\$175	\$1,330	\$222	modern house very lrg. rooms, good location	H	
2	1	915 1/2 Main Street	\$395	\$198	\$495	\$248			D	6	2	1603 7th Street	\$1,170	\$195	\$1,450	\$242	washer/dryer new carpet, very nice	H	
2	1	208 1/2 13th Avenue West	\$400	\$200	n/a	n/a			D	6	2	1415 1/2 8th Street	\$1,200	\$200	\$1,480	\$247	fabulous newer construction washer/dryer	D	
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Students adopt their community

By Jennifer Wolff
Campus Writer

and by Renee Currington
Campus Editor

Students can always see what is happening around campus and how different groups and organizations participate. What many students don't see is the positive activities to benefit the Menomonie community.

Adopt-a-Yard is one of these activities, which runs every fall and spring semester. This fall, the program ran from Oct. 24-28. It is sponsored by the Involvement and Leadership Center Program, located behind the SOC desk in the Memorial Student Center (MSC).

The Involvement and Leadership Center provides rakes and bags and arrange contacts for elderly men, women or couples within the Menomonie community who need work done in their yards.

Luke Heiar, a senior majoring in engineering facilities, has headed the program for more than year now. According to Luke, participation has been exceptional this year.

"Stand out members [of this program] would be both the male and female rugby teams, as well as Sigma Lambda Chi because they took on many yards," said Heiar.

Those are just a few of the groups that are participating in this beneficial program. The 4-H Club helped rake and clean Ruby Roth's yard last Wednesday; Roth broke her hip last year.

"She was very kind and appreciated all that we did for her," said Jennifer Mottl, vice president of 4-H and a senior in food systems and technology. "[We liked] seeing how much easier we were making things for her."

Other organizations that have also participated in this cause include Phi Sigma Phi, Sigma Tau Gamma and Alpha Phi Omega.

Trevor Deck, a junior in graphic communications management, joined up with his brothers from Sigma Tau Gamma and signed up for a yard.

"We chose to participate in Adopt-a-Yard because we wanted to show the community that we care about them, and we are here to help them," said Deck.

The brothers of Sigma Tau Gamma cleaned the yard of an elderly woman, Ruby Wiemen, who was elated at the thought of college students coming to rake her lawn.

"[The experience was] very rewarding," said Deck. "Some of the guys went out with the attitude that we were just going to clean somebody's yard and get only a project done. After leaving, though, it really made everyone feel good to know they did a good deed."

Another community project, Adopt-a-Street, is running from Oct. 31 through Nov. 4. The Stout Association of Family and Consumer Sciences (SAFCS) cleared garbage from six blocks of Wilson Avenue.

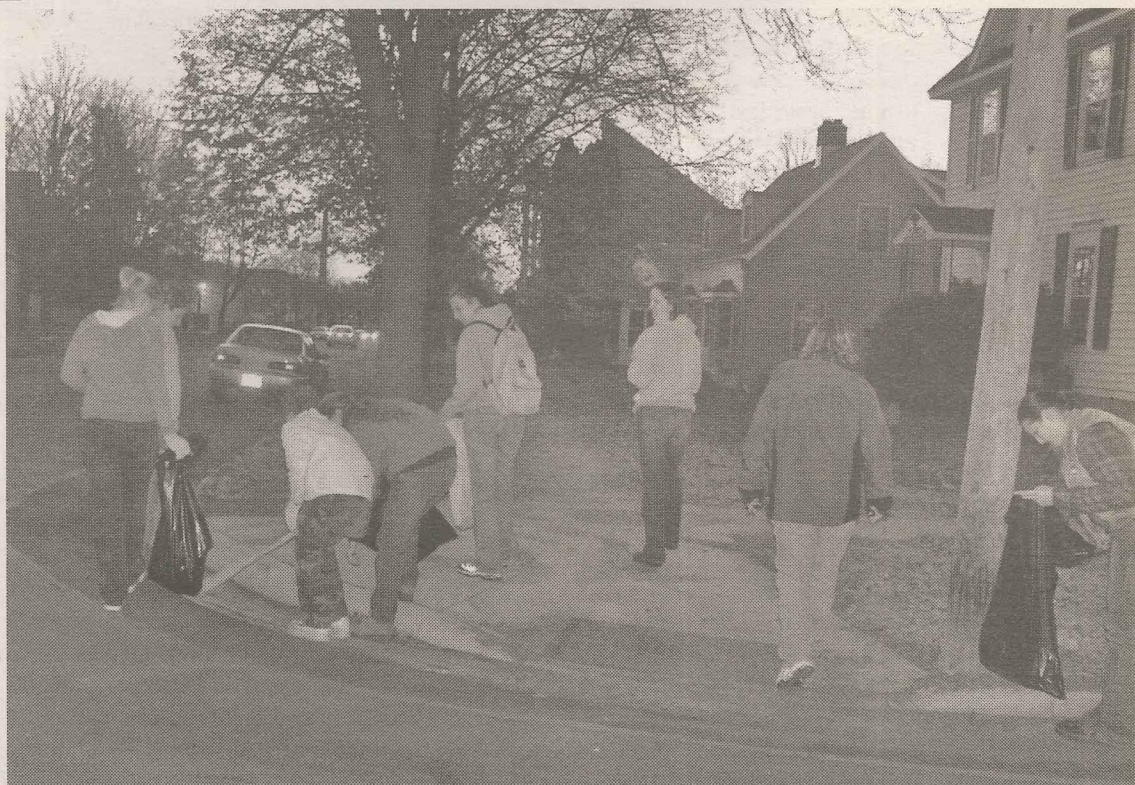
"We do a lot of [other community service], but this time we wanted to do something out in the community-out in Menomonie," said Kristen Wood, President of SAFCS. Every year, SAFCS makes winter hats and mittens and sends them to the Sewing Guild in Eau Claire. With the fair turnout, the group was able to finish the job quickly; volunteers spent only a half hour to clean the stretch.

"If everybody gives a little, a little will go a long way," said Jennifer Sychalski, a senior in family and consumer sciences and vice president of SAFCS.

So if you and a group of friends, or an organization you belong to, would like to be involved with the community, there are options available.

It's easy to sign up. To participate in a community program, all you need to do is head over to the SOC desk in the MSC and ask how. The Involvement and Leadership Center can provide the necessary contacts and often provides equipment.

Community projects can be great opportunities to show that we students do care about the community.



Tiffany Laschinger/Stoutonia

This week students are making the streets in Menomonie cleaner through the Adopt-a-Yard community program. The Stout Association of Family and Consumer Sciences cleaned along Wilson Avenue.

All-you-can-eat for a good cause

Fraternities and Sororities offer hot, low cost meals for charities

By Tabitha Martin
Campus Writer

There are many ways for students to contribute to the charities benefited by organizations at the University of Wisconsin-Stout, and, strangely enough, eating is one of them.

For less than what an average student would spend going out to a restaurant, you can get a great meal and contribute to charities at the same time.

This semester, the women of the Delta Zeta sorority are offering everyone the chance to do just that. On Saturday, Nov. 5, between 10:30 a.m. and 1 p.m., Delta Zeta will be sponsoring their first ever pancake brunch.

This brunch is being held to benefit the Delta Zeta National Sorority Foundation's Sound Beginnings Program. This brunch is run by Shari Holmberg, philanthropy chair of the Delta Zeta Sorority.

In bringing this event together, the chapter hopes to raise \$1,000 for their cause. The Sound Beginnings Program was developed to help families with infants suffering from hearing impairment.

"The pancake brunch is our

main philanthropy event this semester, and we want to raise as much money as possible for our cause, the Sound Beginnings Program," said Holmberg.

"The program involves educating parents on the importance of infant hearing testing and getting hearing loss in children detected before three months of age, when intervention is crucial."

Students can get involved, and help others contribute to a charity, with an all-you-can-eat pancake and bacon brunch. This is a way to make a contribution while taking advantage of a convenient and affordable alternative to eating yet another meal on campus or eating out.

The pancake brunch will be held a short walk from campus at the Menomonie Leisure Service Center located at 1412 6th Street. Tickets are available for \$5 from any Delta Zeta, or contact Holmberg at holmbergs@uwstout.edu. Tickets will also be available at the door the day of the event.

Delta Zeta is not the only organization to contribute to the community through this type of event; the Alpha Phi Sorority and the Phi Sigma Phi Fraternity

also hold annual meals to support their own causes.

The women of the Alpha Phi Sorority are holding their annual event, "Eat Your Heart Out," a healthy alternative meal designed to raise money and awareness for heart disease research. The gentlemen of Phi Sigma Phi expect to hold their biannual all-you-can-eat spaghetti dinner for the Ronald McDonald House Charities.

"Eat Your Heart Out" will be held on Monday, Nov. 28 from 5-7 p.m. and will cost \$5 per ticket beforehand, and \$6 at the event itself.

The Phi Sigma Phi spaghetti dinner will be held Nov. 14, from 5-7 p.m. and will cost \$5 per ticket. This event will also be held at the Menomonie Leisure Service Center. Contact Bjorn Berg at bergbj@uwstout.edu or Lee Haakenson at snowracrh@hotmail.com for ticket sale information.

These events are opportunities for students to get out and socialize, while showing that they have a desire to contribute to their community and to support their fellow students' efforts to do the same.



Photo submitted by the 4-H Club

Lacey Seefeldt worked with the 4-H club to clean a yard for Ruby Roth, a senior citizen in the community who broke her hip last year.

Too much of a good thing can be unhealthy

By Jennifer Gauthier
Campus Writer

Alcohol is one of the most common drugs used by humans, with one of the longest histories of use. Behind caffeine, it is the most widely consumed drug in the world.

It has been used for medicinal, religious, social and recreational purposes. Though today, it's mainly used recreationally, in religious services and other celebrations.

People drink alcohol for a variety of reasons, including curiosity, to feel "different," to relieve boredom and as a social lubricant. Some people also use alcohol to escape problems or to relieve anxiety and stress.

Alcohol use can also be a rebellious action against parents or other authority-for the feeling of doing something you aren't "supposed to do." Some people drink alcohol because of peer pressure, to be sociable or to feel more mature.

"Everyone is going to do it," said Casey Schill, a psychology major. "But do it in moderation. Going to house parties and getting totally wasted is stupid. You'll get hurt or caught."

Heavy drinking can be especially prevalent and problematic among freshmen, who much of

It can also help make social situations easier and more fun. When people drink, they are less shy, and tend to be louder and less inhibited.

The use of alcohol can produce feelings of pleasure, as in getting high and relaxation. Many college students find that drinking helps them meet people, fit in, feel comfortable and have a good time.

"I don't think alcohol is a problem," said Sarah Beasland whose major is undecided. "So long as it doesn't become the central focus of your life, and that you have to need it to have fun or feel good. There have to be other things that you care about and want to do."

However, like any drug, alcohol can have negative consequences to your health. Car crashes, suicides, homicides and drowning are all associated with alcohol use and make it the number one drug problem for college students.

While people are under the influence of alcohol, they often experience a reduction in anxiety and inhibitions, blackouts and inability to

perform many tasks, leaving them vulnerable- sometimes dangerously so.

At least one half of all date rapes involve alcohol consumption, and alcohol also decreases a person's likelihood of using protection during sex, increasing the risk for unplanned pregnancies and other STDs, including AIDS. Studies show that 41 percent of frequent binge drinkers on college campuses have participated in unplanned sexual activity.

Drinking alcohol leads to a loss of coordination, poor judgment, slowed reflexes, distorted vision, memory lapses and even blackouts. Alcohol abuse can lead to alcoholism, an addiction that many liken to a disease, characterized by strong, frequent cravings for alcohol, developing tolerance to alcohol's effects, impaired ability to control one's drinking and physical dependence, which includes symptoms of withdrawal such as nausea, shaking, sweating and anxiety.

Health risks associated with drinking

are more common and severe in heavy episodic drinkers, or those who make a habit of indulging in prolonged periods of intoxication. Over time, this kind of drinking can cause virtually every organ in the body to be harmed and heightens the risk of liver disease and pancreatitis. Common health problems among alcoholics also include liver cirrhosis, heart failure, depression and brain damage.

Whatever your reasons to drink, if you decide to drink,

it's important to know the risks of going overboard. Alcoholism can be a serious addiction, sometimes leading to death. As with most things, observing moderation is a good idea.

the time don't have practice with drinking responsibly. They tend to drink more than the average adult because they are suddenly free of parental control, they are trying to fit in and they may feel insecure about their new setting.

Alcohol may have health benefits in moderation. According to the Mayo Clinic, alcohol can reduce your risks of heart disease, heart attacks, strokes and gallstones.

Blue Devil Productions Production Board Positions

Blue Devil Productions (BDP), a campus-wide student programming board, is taking applications for the following positions on The Production Board:

- Executive Producer
- Office Manager/Human Resources Director
- Special Events & Films Director
- Blue Devil Lounge Director
- Multimedia Design Director
- Campus Relations Director
- Comedy Director
- Music Director
- Graphic Design Director
- Off-Campus Relations Director

Production Board members select and contract performers, design and implement promotional campaigns, provide day of show production and conduct post-event evaluation. Production Board members have the opportunity to attend local, regional and national leadership and entertainment conferences as a benefit of employment. All candidates should be energetic, self-motivated, have good communication skills, be able to work as part of team, and be able to follow through on assigned tasks.

Minimum Qualifications:

Production Board candidates must presently possess and maintain:
~ A minimum cumulative grade point average of 2.5/4.0 scale. A minimum academic credit load of six (6) undergraduate or graduate credits at the University of Wisconsin-Stout.

Renumeration:

Minimum of \$6.25/hour (dependent on position)

Screening Begins November 11th & Continues until positions are filled
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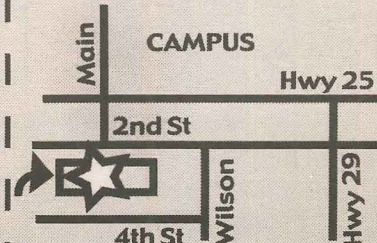
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Warm bread and muffins

By Amanda Schroeder
Campus Writer

Bread is a very versatile food that can be prepared by baking, steaming or frying dough. It consists mainly of flour and water and can be made into pizza, tortillas, baguettes, pitas, biscuits, pretzels and bagels.

There are many different types of breads, but the main two kinds are yeast breads and quick breads. Yeast breads use yeast as a leaven, and quick breads use a chemical leaven. Like the name implies, quick breads are a lot easier and quicker to make than yeast breads.

In yeast breads, yeast is added and it ferments the carbohydrates in flour and sugar to produce carbon dioxide as a by-product. This chemical reaction causes the bread to rise. Quick breads use chemical leavens, such as baking soda or baking powder to make the bread rise.

Although it takes time, making fresh bread can be very rewarding.

"There is nothing better than Grandma's homemade bread,"



said
Krystle

Schmitt, a hotel, restaurant and tourism major.

With the right recipe and amount of time, Grandma's bread can be made anytime.

Pumpkin makes this quick bread a tasty treat. It can also be made as muffins, but is baked for about 30 minutes instead of an hour. Muffins can be frozen and thawed in the microwave for a homemade breakfast or snack. For a variation to this bread, add raisins, chocolate chips or nuts. This recipe is courtesy of www.allrecipes.com.

Pumpkin Bread

Ingredients:

1 cup canned pumpkin puree
1/2 cup vegetable oil
1-1/3 cups white sugar

2 eggs
1-1/2 cups and 1 tablespoon all-purpose flour
1/2 teaspoon baking powder
1/2 teaspoon baking soda
1/2 teaspoon salt
1/2 teaspoon ground cinnamon
1/2 teaspoon ground nutmeg
1/2 teaspoon ground cloves

2-2/3 cups all-purpose flour
2 tablespoons butter
1/4 cup white sugar
2 teaspoons ground cinnamon
2 teaspoons butter, melted

Directions:

1. Warm the milk in a small saucepan until it bubbles, then remove from heat. Let cool until lukewarm.



Directions:

1. Preheat the oven to 350 degrees F (175 degrees C). Grease and flour a 9x5 inch loaf pan.

2. In a large bowl, mix together the pumpkin, oil, sugar and eggs. In a separate bowl, combine the flour, baking powder, baking soda, salt, cinnamon, nutmeg and cloves; stir into the pumpkin mixture until well blended. Divide the batter evenly between the prepared pans.

3. Bake in preheated oven for 45 minutes to 1 hour. The top of the loaf should spring back when lightly pressed.

This next recipe is for yeast bread that is easy to make and tastes great. The recipe is courtesy of www.allrecipes.com.

Cinnamon Swirl Bread

Ingredients:

1/2 cup milk
1/3 cup warm water (110 degrees F/45 degrees C)
1(.25 ounce) package active dry yeast
1 egg
2 tablespoons and 2 teaspoons white sugar
1/4 teaspoon salt
2 tablespoons and 2 teaspoons margarine, softened
1/3 cup raisins

2. Dissolve yeast in warm water and set aside until yeast is frothy. Mix in eggs, sugar, butter or margarine, salt and raisins. Stir in cooled milk. Add the flour gradually to make a stiff dough.

Knead dough on a lightly floured surface for a few minutes. Place in a large, greased, mixing bowl, and turn to grease the surface of the dough. Cover with a damp cloth. Allow to rise until doubled.

3. Roll out on a lightly floured surface into a large rectangle 1/2 inch thick. Spread the 2 tablespoons of butter over the dough. Mix together 1/4 cup sugar and 2 teaspoons cinnamon, and sprinkle mixture on top of the moistened dough. Roll up tightly; the roll should be about 3 inches in diameter. Tuck under ends. Place loaf into well greased 9 x 5 inch pan.

4. Lightly grease tops of loaf. Let rise again for 1 hour.

5. Bake at 350 degrees F (175 degrees C) for 45 minutes, or until loaves are lightly browned and sound hollow when knocked. Remove loaves from pans, and brush with melted butter or margarine. Let cool before slicing.

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A way to remember the ordinance is to always park your vehicle for the next day, as enforcement occurs between 2 a.m. and 7 a.m.

If you could change genders for one day, what would be the first thing you'd do?



"Go shopping for cool girl's clothes and shave my legs!"

Aaron Fleming
Early Childhood Education
Freshman



"I'd pee standing up."

Mallory Price
Early Childhood Education
Freshman



"I would play with Barbie Dolls."

Ae Vang
Multimedia Design
Junior



"I'd walk around with my shirt off."

Lindsay Rykal
Hotel, Restaurant and
Tourism Management
Freshman

Look out, it's a Poetry SLAM!



Natalie Rathmann
Entertainment Writer

Last Thursday night, the Acoustic Café of Eau Claire was full of nonstop caffeinated chatter as the crowd awaited the monthly Poetry Slam.

This month, the cafe was also hosting the 2005 Sixth Annual Chippewa Valley Book Festival.

The event featured four local writers: Andrew Patrie, Eric Rasmussen, Jason Splichal and Ken Szymanski.

All the recited readings were from these four authors. Eric Rasmussen started out the night by reading his poem, "Right Now."

This poem depicted all the possible things that could have been going on at that moment.

Things mentioned included a lady finding her lost keys, a student getting an A on an exam, a grandma crocheting a blanket and a little boy holding a girl's hand for the first time.

The poetry ranged in tone. Some of the readings were comical. Some expressed awkward boy-girl moments.

One poem, "Thursday at the VFW," poked fun at the old blue-haired ladies that take the game of Bingo seriously.

Other poetry took a deeper, more serious approach—readings that depicted love, death and feelings of insecurity.

After the readings, books by the authors were available for purchase and signing.

The books available included Patrie's "A Beautiful Accident," Rasmussen's "Running Water Grand Slam Champion,"



Natalie Rathmann/Stoutonia

Eau Claire's Acoustic Café plays host to a Poetry Slam during the last week of every month. In November, however, two poetry events are scheduled for Nov. 8 and Nov. 10.

Splichal's "Both Hands, the Disappeared" and Szymanski's "Blue Light Special."

The Poetry Slam is normally held the last Thursday of every month at Eau Claire's Acoustic Café.

However, in November there are two poetry events scheduled. "The Running Wa-

ter Poetry Slam" will be held on Tuesday Nov. 8 and Thursday Nov. 10.

The Slam is informal and anyone is allowed to sign up to perform original poetry.

Judges are randomly selected from the audience. There are two rounds and then the last finalists square off.

On Dec. 1 the top eight poets from the previous two Poetry Slams will compete against each other in the 5th Annual "Fabulous Grand Slam."

This would be a great opportunity to see what these battles are all about. Sign-up for the slams are 6:30 p.m., with the show beginning at 7 p.m.

Open Mic Night needs more Blue Devils



Mike Ryan
Entertainment Writer

It was a crisp, mid-autumn evening in Menomonie—a wonderful night for UW-Stout's musicians to strut their stuff in front of an eager live crowd.

Unfortunately, what UW-Stout students heard was, for the most part, anything but the music of fellow students. Blue Devil Productions' Open Mic Night had barely any Blue Devils.

That's right: the majority of the musicians taking the stage were mostly high schoolers from the surrounding area.

Now, I do not wish to discourage the participation of non-college students, but given the



Rachel Landwehr/Stoutonia

Blue Devil Productions' Open Mic Night seems to be suffering from a lack of Blue Devil participants. The high school performers are by no means bad, but are college students letting a forum go to waste?

nature of BDP—a student-run organization—one would think that more UW-Stout students would participate.

UW-Stout students' money funds BDP. Why would they want to waste the resources and events that BDP puts on?

By not attending events that BDP provides, all UW-Stout students are doing is paying for high schoolers to have something to do on a Thursday night.

I arrived at the show before it started and saw some familiar faces taking the stage. This

made me optimistic, expecting new faces to emerge.

However, I was disappointed as I watched the UW-Stout crowd thin and become replaced by high school students.

As older, oftentimes more accomplished musicians, col-

lege students can usually provide better entertainment—whether in actual musical prowess or simple comedic value.

However, if high schoolers continue to dominate the stage at the Acoustic Café, the integrity of a college-run Open Mic Night will be compromised.

Did the high schoolers make anyone mad or perform badly?

Absolutely not. I appreciated their involvement and hope that they attend UW-Stout after graduation.

Nevertheless, it would be nice to see Blue Devils using their own forum.

So, if you're a guitar player, a writer or an entertainer of any kind, use this opportunity in the future.

If you don't see this as an opportunity to showcase your talent, please come and watch.



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- >Faculty Sketch-off, Micheels 290, 6 p.m., Free.
- >Book signing, MSC bookstore, 5-6 p.m., Free.

Friday, Nov. 4

- >A Night of Desperation, St. Paul Student Center @ Uof M campus, 7 p.m., Free.
- >The Vast Expanse, Blind Munchies Coffeehouse, 7 p.m., Free.
- >Kappa Lambda Beta, Rock-A-Thon, Outside Bowman Hall, 7 p.m., Free.

Saturday, Nov. 5

- >No events scheduled

Sunday, Nov. 6

- >UW-Stout culinary battle, Red Cedar Hall, 7:30 p.m., Free.

Monday, Nov. 7

- >No events scheduled

Tuesday, Nov. 8

- >Advisement day

Wednesday, Nov. 9

- >Tracy Ashby, Huff's, 8 p.m., Students \$2, Public \$5.
- >PORN Nation, Johnson Fieldhouse, 8 p.m., Free.

Thursday, Nov. 10

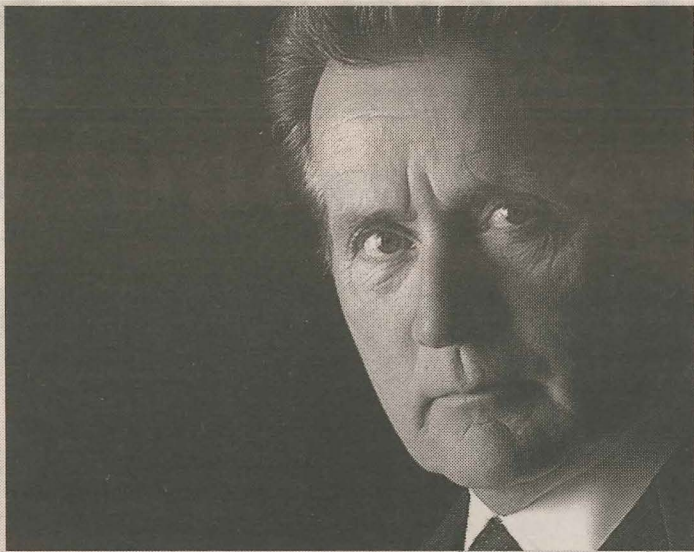
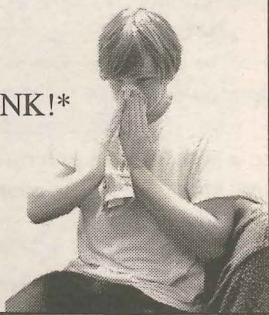
- >Open Mic Night, Acoustic Cafe, 7 p.m., Free.

Have anything to add to the Campus Calendar?
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HONK!



Source: www.newswire.ca

As the fictional President Jed Bartlett prepares to step down, the candidates for his job prepare to square off in live debates.

West Wing election news

Live debates next week; abortion hot topic



Matt Schubbe

Entertainment Writer

Empty promises, as far as my articles go, have become a staple of my writing. Very rarely do I actually follow up on anything I address, but all that's about to change.

I've begun watching "The West Wing" in preparation for the live televised debates that will air on NBC next Sunday at 7 p.m.

You didn't see that one coming, did you? But given the amount of interest that my previous article about "The West Wing" debates generated, I had to.

I thought I should at least familiarize myself with the candidates so that I could better understand their relationship—the give-and-take and push-and-shove that they exert on each other during the course of their campaigns.

This past Sunday's episode was quite enjoyable. I won't give you a detailed synopsis, but suffice to say, they did a very nice job of humanizing the characters played by Alan Alda and Jimmy Smits.

If you remember from my last article, Alda is the Republican candidate and Smits is the Democratic one.

There is a definite tension in the scenes where these characters interact, but at the same time a kind of warmth.

You can tell these guys would almost be friends under different circumstances.

They both want to win this, and will go to great lengths to do so, but at the same time they feel a twinge of guilt for the mud-slinging they know is coming.

The hot-button issue of this fictional campaign seems to be abortion. What kind of limits should be imposed? Should it be legal or abolished? What does it mean to be for abortion? Anti-abortion?

This may seem like an issue that's been covered to death, but the series' writers have breathed new life into the situation by giving the candidates atypical views on the issue.

Alda, the Republican, is actually for abortion. Smits, the Democrat, happens to be anti-abortion, even though he is overall the more liberal of the two.

But I'm getting ahead of myself. The debates haven't even happened yet, but I can guarantee that they will make for good television. I'll be covering them next week.

Skin deep fun

Tabitha Martin

Entertainment Writer

Every Tuesday at 9 p.m., students on this campus join viewers from all over the nation in catching the FX network's smash hit, "Nip/Tuck," now in its third and most provocative season.

It is often more drama and sensation than viewers can handle, with the writers constantly pushing the envelope in terms of sexuality, violence and crime.

"Nip/Tuck" follows the complicated lives of plastic surgeons Dr. Christian Troy (played by Julian McMahon) and Dr. Sean McNamara (Dylan Walsh).

Lately, a serial attacker referred to only as "The Carver" is on a mission to eliminate the importance society places on aesthetic values by slashing the faces of the beautiful.

Troy and McNamara graciously undo the damage caused by The Carver by operating on the victims free of charge. In retaliation for this, The Carver focuses on the surgeons' own homes.

Dr. Troy is the quintessential ladies' man: he exudes an air of confidence, danger and is the bad boy every girl dreams of changing.

This season we have had

the opportunity to see his softer side in the wake of his attack at the hands of The Carver.

Dr. McNamara is the show's family man, but he has his faults.

Even so, he is still the most stable male character on the show.

His ex-wife, Julia (Joely Richardson), was originally a subdued housewife who gave up everything for her husband's career.

This season, she has grown into her own by taking charge of her life and its direction, just as Sean is losing sight of his own path.

Over the last three years, this television show has gone from a new shocking series to a weekly addiction.

Many students around campus actually get together in groups to watch it.

"Nip/Tuck" pushes the limit, it's intense, it grabs you, addicts you. It's a guilty pleasure," said junior Sarah Tomczyk. "I've never seen anything like it."

"Nip/Tuck" is undoubtedly a great viewing experience, but it may not be suitable for everyone.

There are graphic and realistic surgical scenes, terrifying violent scenes (courtesy of The Carver) and steamy sex scenes.

"Nip/Tuck" airs Tuesday evenings at 9 p.m. on the FX network.



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On the surface, "Soul Caliber III" plays like its predecessors, but there's more depth this time around. Each character has its own storyline to play through, and different paths will lead to different battles. The franchise's latest installment is still a button mashing fight game, but it's one of the really good ones.



Ami Kriho

Entertainment Writer

The latest installment of the epic fighting series continues to impress. "Soul Caliber III," for the PlayStation 2, blends beauty with variety. The result is nothing short of fun, whether you're playing alone or kicking someone else's butt.

Though I had my first experience with this game at the Electronic Entertainment Expo back in May, the kiosk display could not adequately prepare me for what the game was really like.

The graphics are gorgeous and the environment looks to be oriented more on fantasy than on fighting.

The characters are draped in clothes reflecting their usual impractical eccentricity.

There are three new main characters and more than forty

characters in all, but for some odd reason a certain group of them is only available in the Practice Mode.

The game's music is the franchise's usual prismatic performance, again sounding like it should be from a fantasy-themed role-playing game.

The controls also reflect the mechanics of the previous "Soul Caliber" games. This could be a good thing or a bad thing, depending on personal preference.

Personally, I really wish Namco would stop putting the arcade symbols in the console games, if just for the sake of new gamers. The PlayStation 2 controller has no "A," "B," "K" or "G" buttons, so their listing as the controls in the game just causes more confusion than anything.

Still, getting over the nuisance isn't difficult. Practice Mode is available for training, though its long list of moves gets tiresome.

Unfortunately, "Soul Caliber III" continues the franchise's tradition of button mashing, so Practice Mode is mostly useless, anyway. The best way to get

good is to experiment during the actual fights.

On the surface, "Soul Caliber III" plays like a normal "Soul Caliber" game.

However, this installment extends the depth of the characters' storylines and enhances the overall game play.

As usual, each character has his or her own short story ("Tales of the Sword") to play through, but unlike previous "Soul Caliber" games this one gives the gamer choices to make along the way.

Different paths will lead to different battles, which will result in unlocking new characters or items.

But what really sets "Soul Caliber III" apart from the others is "Chronicles of the Sword."

"Chronicles" is really a separate game within the game. It's its own storyline with its own characters, set apart from the rest of the premise.

It combines the simple elements of a real-time strategy role-playing game with typical "Soul Caliber" fights.

Gamers create their own characters with plenty of options

to choose from and fight along side computer created characters in a war-torn scenario for the right to supremacy.

Characters gain experience points from battles and gold from finishing missions.

The difficulty of "Soul Caliber III" is an interesting thing to discuss.

While the normal "Soul Arena" mode isn't terribly hard, the difficulty of "Tales of the Sword" will depend on the choices that gamers make, the characters chosen and the skill of the gamer.

The challenge there can range from a walk in the park to attempting Swan Lake with an elephant strapped to your back.

The difficulty of "Chronicles" increases steadily as the story progresses, but likewise can get a bit frustrating at times.

Again, it depends on the character created and the skill of the gamer.

Overall, "Soul Caliber III" is a tried-and-true "Soul Caliber" game, but it isn't just for fans of fighting games.

People familiar with the franchise will enjoy it, but I would also recommend it for those who are new to the series or to fighting games in general.

In addition, the game comes with a demo disc that includes "Pacman World 3," "Ridge Racer," "Urban Reign" and "We Love Katamari."

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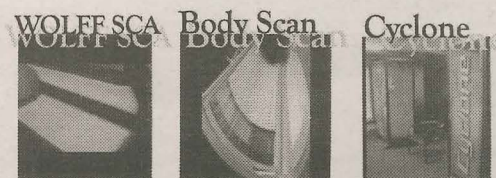
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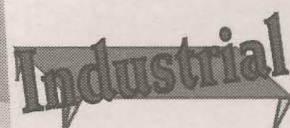


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Did the world really need "Saw II"?

Yet another pointless exercise in gore hits theaters. Oh joy.



Jarrod Burns and William Butchee

Entertainment Writers

In 2004 the movie "Saw" left audiences speechless when a killer called "Jigsaw" horrified a cast of characters by killing his victims without putting his hands on them. After seeing an unnamed man lose one of Jigsaw's killer games, "Saw II" introduces Detective Eric Mason.

The detective has located Jigsaw and seems to have him trapped, but surprise, the joke is on him.

Jigsaw has another game planned, and this time one of the players is Detective Mason's son who is trapped with six others in a house with a deadly nerve gas.

They must find the antidotes hidden throughout the house while avoiding death from the hidden traps. In 2005 the movie "Saw II" will again leave audiences speechless. Warning: this article contains spoilers.

JB: Speechless is exactly

how I felt after watching this piece of crap. Just as "Saw" was the worst horror movie of last year, "Saw II" lives up to its prequel by being the worst horror movie of this year.

WB: Last year's "Saw," seemed more like straight-to-video release than a theatrical horror movie.

JB: Nothing is more pathetic or pretentious than when the mentally incompetent try to write.

It is painfully obvious that the writer of this film isn't qualified to write dialogue.

The villain, Jigsaw, is a poor man's Hannibal Lecter with a sick message to spread about appreciation for life.

WB: Jigsaw exhaustively explains that since his victims don't appreciate their lives, he needs to put them in mortal jeopardy.

As a cancer patient, Jigsaw has apparently little time left—yet somehow he still finds time to research his victims and build elaborate traps.

JB: The story might have a hope of being scary if its characters were anything more than cardboard cutouts.

I felt no concern for any of them: not the cancer patient villain, not the police detectives and certainly not the victims. I neither knew nor cared who to root for.

WB: Many horror movies suffer from weak stories and look to violence and editing to make a hit.

The first "Saw" relied on excessive gore and failed, and "Saw II"—even with double the budget of its predecessor—fails again.

Jump cuts and speed changes are used to cover the bland shots, but the cover-up fails to make the movie look original.

JB: The final blow comes in the form of the pointless twist ending.

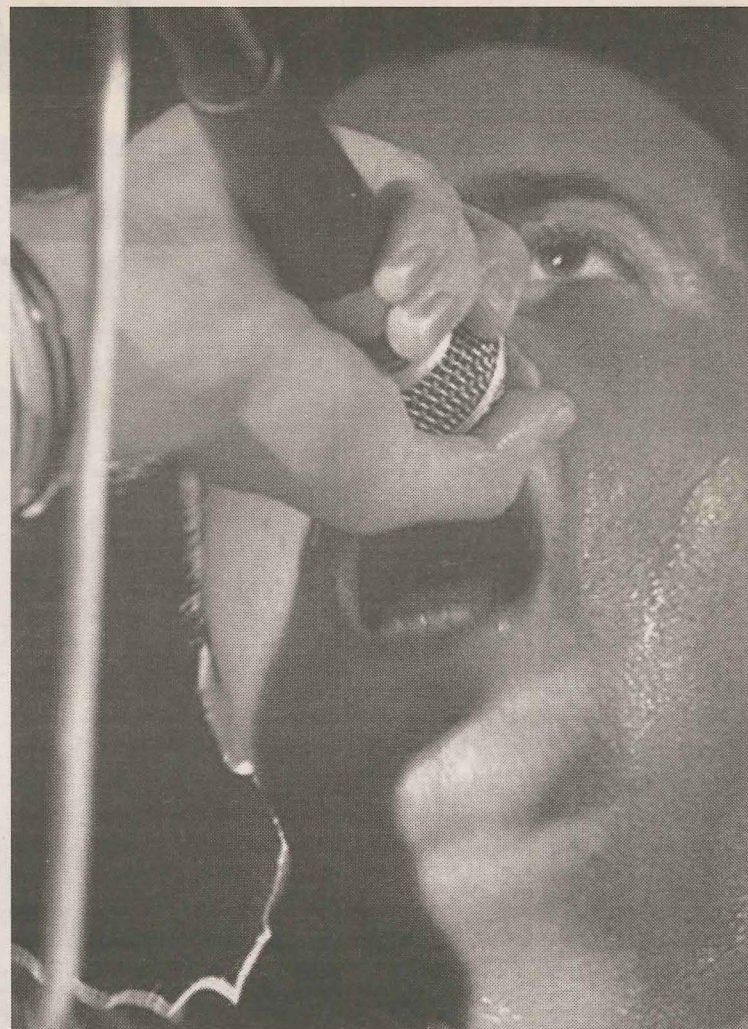
In "Saw," the ridiculous twist ending was that the killer was in the room with the victims the whole time, disguised as a dead body.

Dumb, dumb, dumb. This made no sense and had nothing to do with the rest of the paper-thin story.

In "Saw II," the twist is just as pointless. Instead of letting us feel the surprise and shock of the twist, the director barages us with a two-minute recap of the film.

This way every last moron in the audience is sure to understand that the poison-house scenario in fact happened long ago, and the detective's son is in the interrogation room with the detectives the whole time.

Oh, I'm sorry, did I ruin the ending for you? Trust me, it doesn't matter anyway.



Source: www.images.google.com

After several short-lived record deals and poor label promotion, Project 86 returns with a new album, "...And The Rest Will Follow."

A new project



Andrew Beckman

Entertainment Writer

Not everyone gets a second chance. Fortunately for Project 86, a series of events has led the band to a new year-long nationwide tour promoting their highly anticipated new album, "...And The Rest Will Follow."

After several short-lived record deals and poor label promotion over the past eight years, the band returned to Tooth & Nail Records last winter, where they re-released "Songs To Burn Your Bridges By," an album that brought them back into contention in the rock scene.

"...And The Rest Will Follow" showcases Project 86's versatile sound. The album captures the hardness of their previous 2000 release, "Drawing Black Lines." The new album also contains some reflective and more technical music found in the band's 2002 release, "Truthless Heroes."

The album begins with a classic Project 86 sounding song, "Sincerely, Ichabod."

The song contains Randy Torres's signature rock 'n' roll style of rhythmic minor guitar melodies, sharp and flowing beats from drummer Alex Albert and big low end from bassist Steve Dail.

Torres explores keyboard effects more than ever before

and performs much of the vocals, adding a soothing and dreamy quality to Project 86's overall sound.

Another new element the band tries is putting Dail on a baritone guitar instead of his usual jazz bass. This gets a more technical feel in the melodies rhythm section.

And let's not forget the signature element of Project 86's vibe, the severely macabre and diverse rasps of vocalist Andrew Schwab.

Schwab's love for twisting words and thematic metaphors is evident.

The band even tries new industrial sounding styles of poetic speaking and monotone singing to fit the attitude and mood of Schwab's writings.

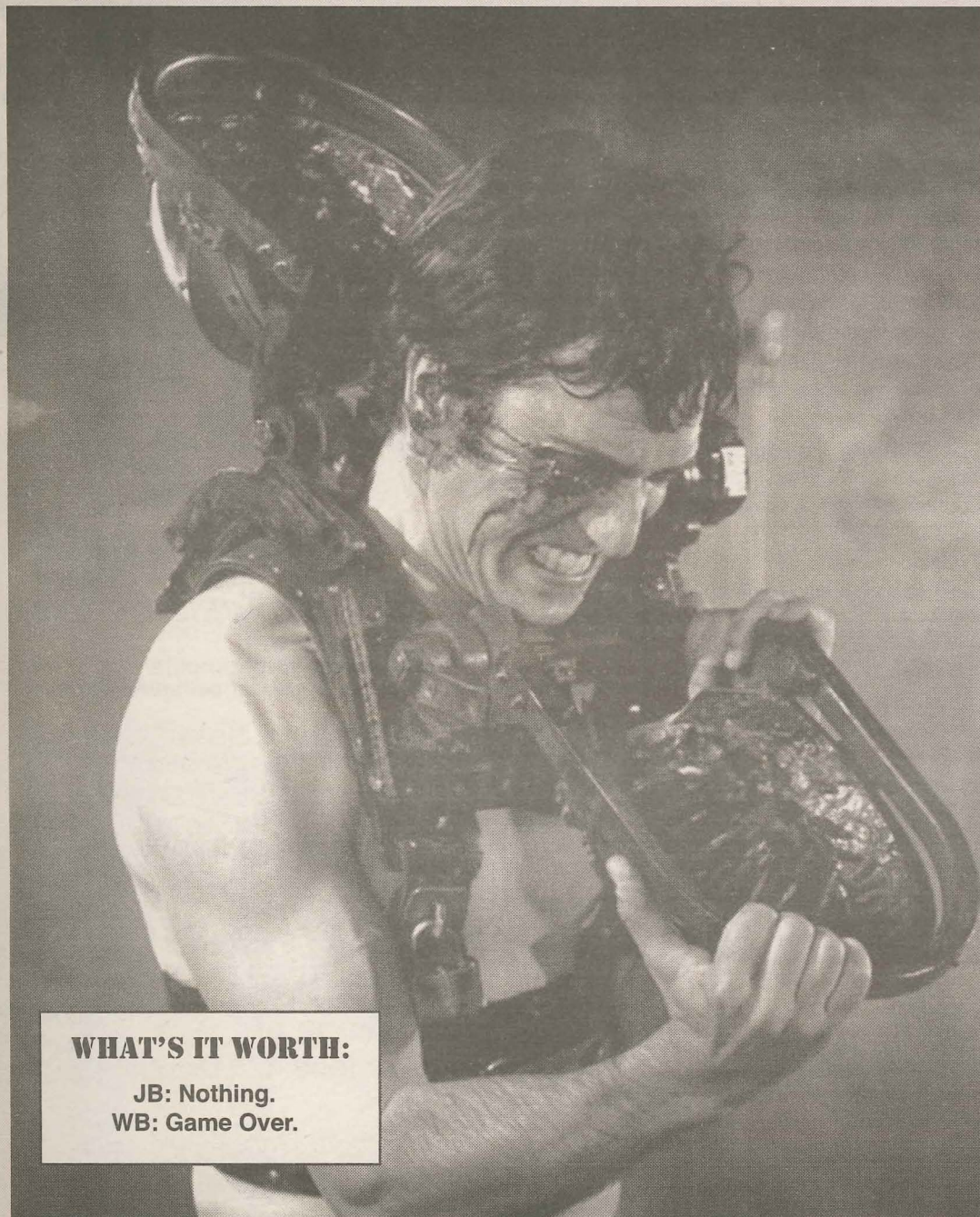
Schwab also uses slightly more obvious metaphors speaking of the band's new beginning in "Subject To Change," where he chants the band's "Return, Return, Return!"

Some of the lyrics also reveal Schwab's rediscovered passion to his personal spirituality in "My Will Be A Dead Man."

Since "...And The Rest Will Follow" focuses on a more balanced, matured artistic sound, the album slows down at several points, which is not a good thing.

The majority of Project 86's past albums always seemed to have a faster tempo, with the appropriate slowed paced song to add variety to the CD. This fault aside, Project 86's newest release is a nice milestone in their career, and an excellent album to add to your music collection.

CORRECTION: The October 27 issue of *The Stoutonia* wrongly named one of the fraternities on campus in the "Homecoming stunt show a waste of time" article. Pi Sigma Pi should have been Phi Sigma Phi.



WHAT'S IT WORTH:

JB: Nothing.
WB: Game Over.

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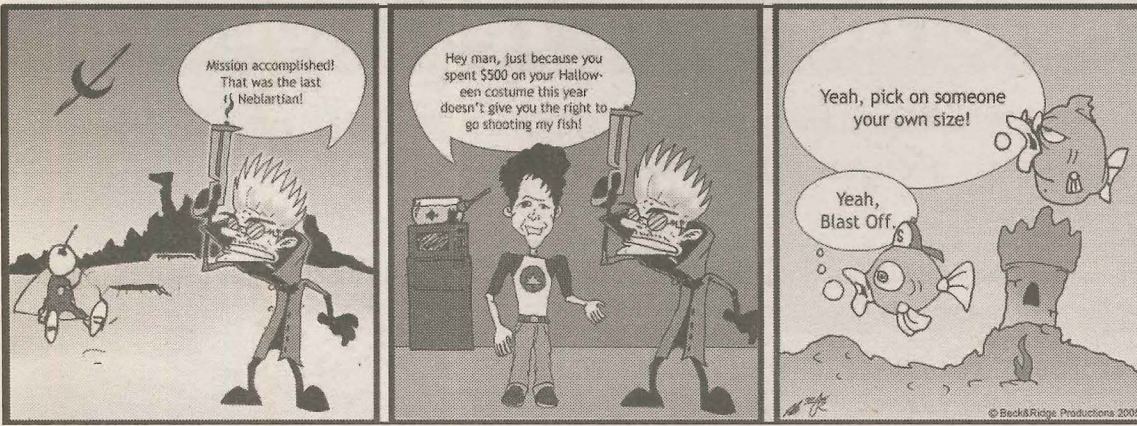
In an alternate universe, "Saw II" is already up for several Oscar nominations, including Best Picture and Best Acting. Too bad for the filmmakers in this universe. Maybe with "Saw III."

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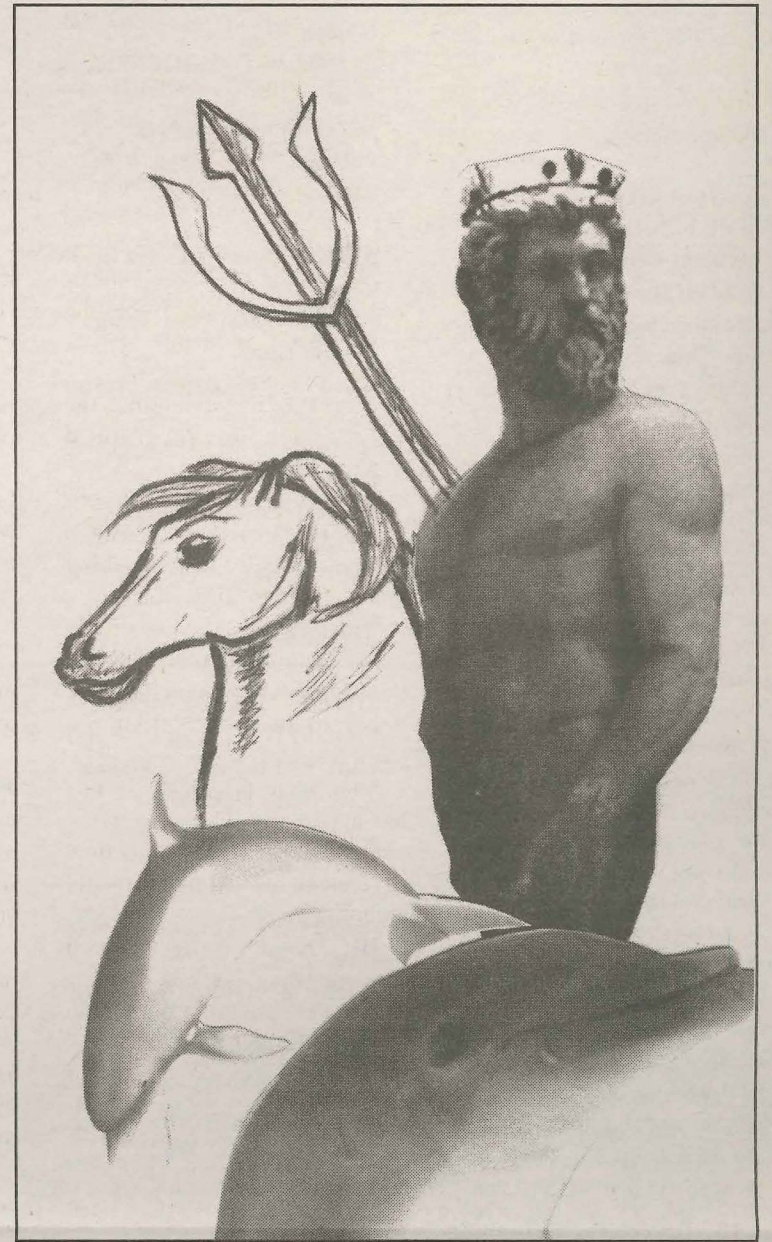
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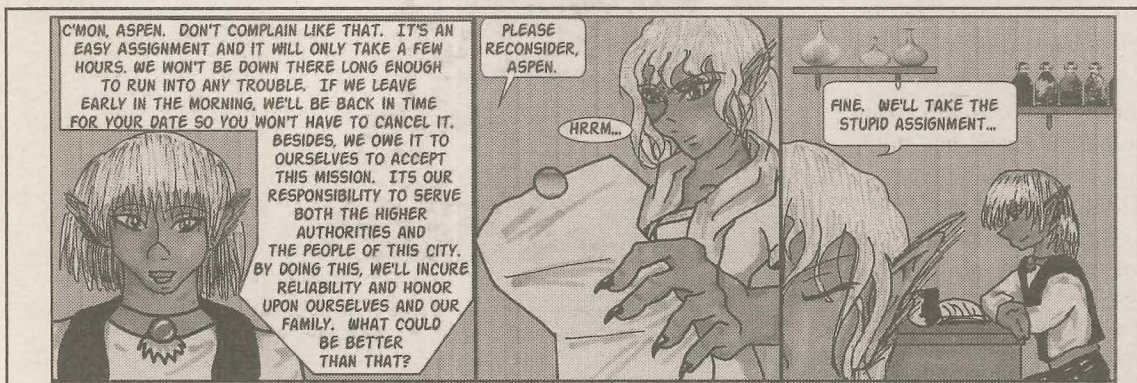
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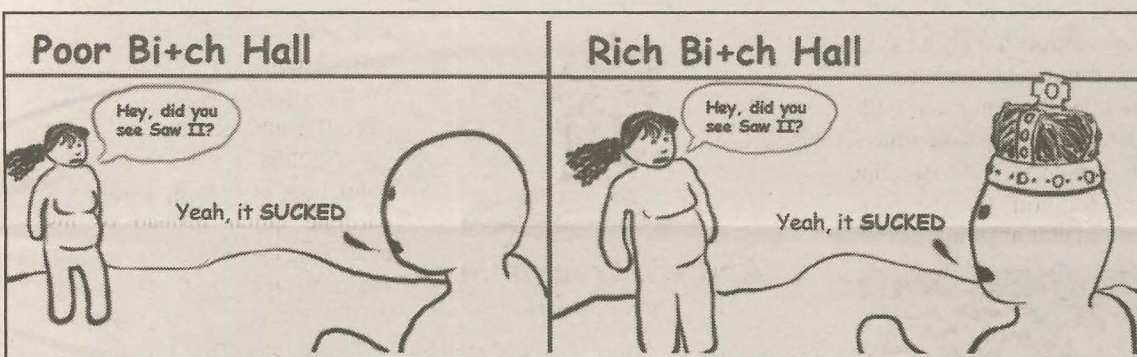
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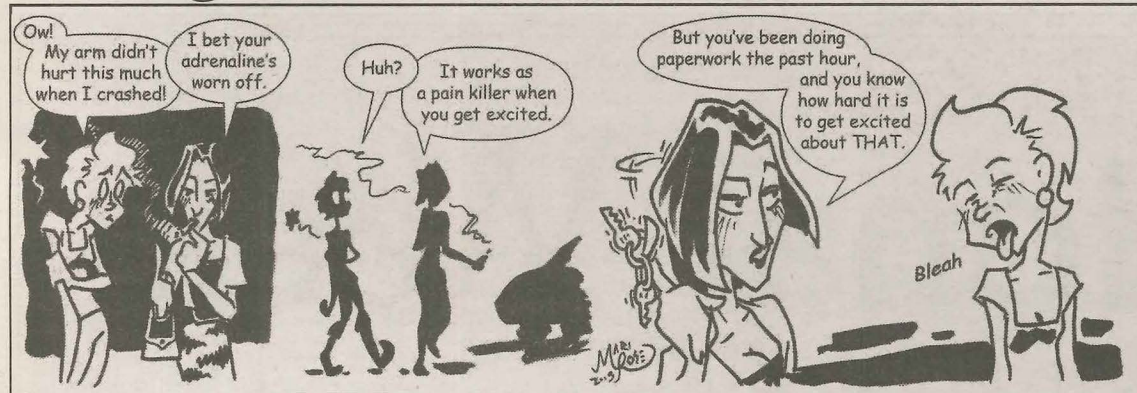
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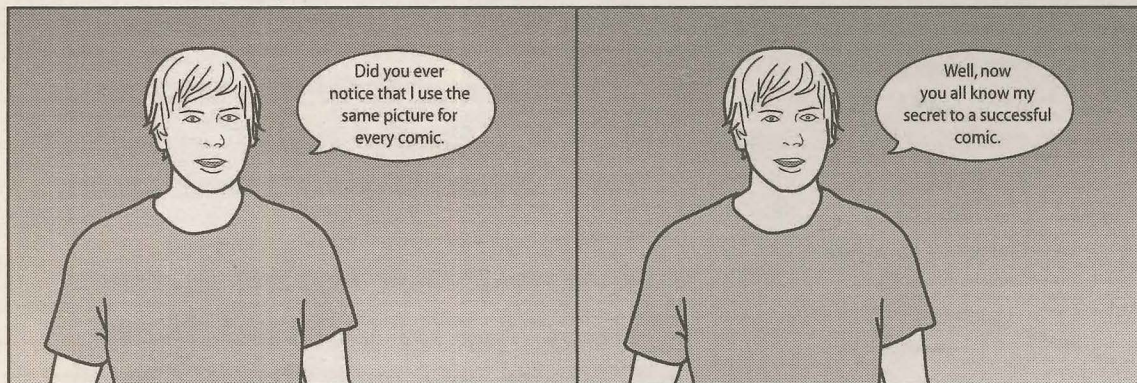
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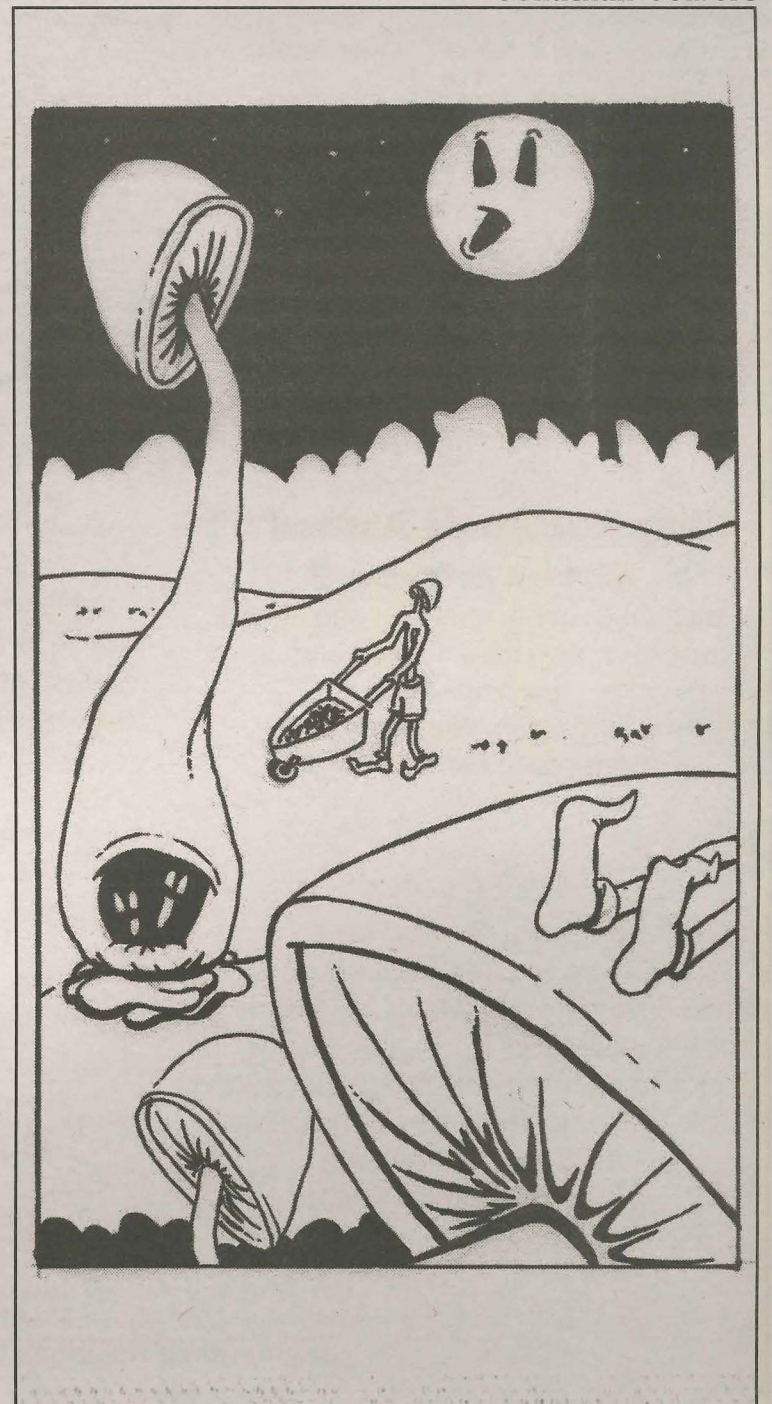
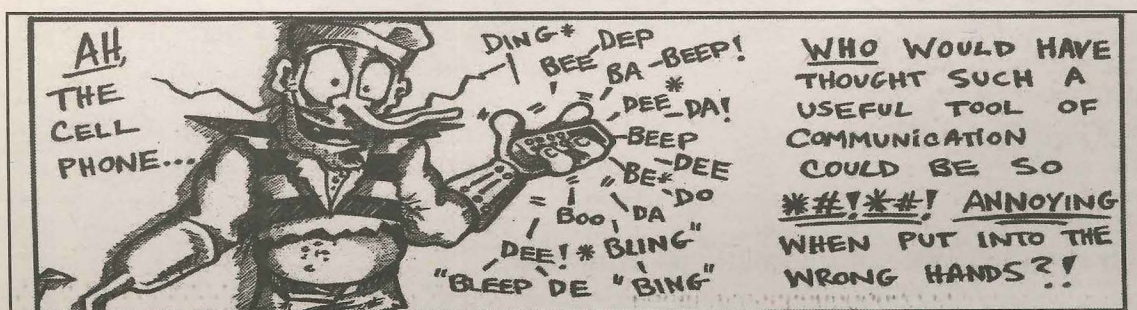
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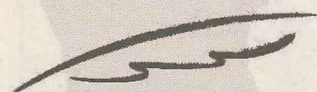
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ing here," Strop said. "[Saturday's game] is a chance for our players to prove that they can play with teams in the upper tier of Division III football. Let's fill up Williams Stadium!"

Regardless of what happens with Stout's WIAC title and playoff chances this year, this is a huge opportunity for the Devils.

In fact, this must have been just the type of game that

university officials and generous contributors had in mind when the decision to build Williams Stadium was made in the 90s.

Will the stadium really be filled to capacity for the 1 p.m. kickoff on Saturday? I doubt it, but that doesn't change the fact that it should be.

I know a high percentage of students leave campus on the weekends, but, if you're at all interested in college football or just a fun time, you should be at

Williams Stadium for this one.

There will be plenty of football — high school playoffs, Badgers and Gophers — to watch on this day. Make no mistake, though, Menomonie is going to be host to a great small college football matchup with some great storylines.

If the UW-Stout defense can slow down the Justins and stay in the game into the second half, I think the Devils could have a great shot to pull a once-in-a-lifetime upset.

Blue Devils basketball hits the court

By Matt Edison
Sports Writer

The University of Wisconsin-Stout men's basketball team is ready to take the court.

The first game for the Blue Devils will be played on Wednesday Nov. 9 against the University of Wisconsin-Green Bay. The game will be hosted by UW-Green Bay.

Leading the team this season are captains Terry Farmer, Greg Chaisson, Brian Buck and Kailus Coleman; while Luke Loney will

not be returning this season due to graduation

Sophomore Adam Chandler will be the Blue Devil's main point guard this season. Down low will be either one of the "Twin Towers" John or Jacob Nonemacher, who stand seven feet tall.

"This year our goals offensively are to do a better job in transition by pushing the ball up court faster," said Coleman.

The Blue Devils will have to be more aggressive on the court

if they want to make an impact in the Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Association this season.

The top teams in the Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Conference that will challenge UW-Stout this season are the University of Wisconsin-Oshkosh, University of Wisconsin-Whitewater and University of Wisconsin-Platteville.

The Blue Devils also have many quick players on the team such as Buck, Farmer and Coleman are all great ball handlers and they don't hesitate when it comes time to score.

This will be Eddie Andrist's sixth season as head coach for UW-Stout, with 438 wins underneath his belt and plans to add more this year.

"Defensively, for this season, we want to make our opponents uncomfortable and make it difficult on them," said Farmer.

Last year UW-Stout had some quality newcomers that joined the team such as Chandler and Ryan Stangl. This year Jason Theis, a freshman from Chaska, Minn. has joined the team; Andy Ajax, a freshman (Burnsville, Minn.), Jacob Augustine, a freshman (Park Center, Minn.); Jesse Piehl, a freshman (Tripoli, Iowa) and Nate Severson, who played during the 2003-04 season will be returning.

The Blue Devils finished last season 13-11 and 8-8 in the conference. This year the Blue Devils will have to keep their game up to par in order for them to stay up at the top of the leader board as there will be many teams competing for the same spot.

Sports Briefs

The University of Wisconsin-Stout men's hockey team is skating into a good start this season, picking up two wins last week defeating Lawrence University 3-1 on Oct. 28 and University of Minnesota-Crookston on Oct. 29. Blue Devil Jake Erickson scored two goals against Crookston while Andrew Stearns, Nick Klaren, Cory Mozak, Justin Huth and Luke Schroeder added a goal apiece. UW-Stout's Mike Koenig snagged 25 saves in his first start in the goal for the Blue Devils. UW-Stout outshot Crookston 33-27 for the win. The Blue Devils travel to Gustavus Adolphus on Friday Nov. 4 before returning home to host St. Olaf at 7:30 p.m. on Nov. 5.

Bridgette Crozier took 15th to lead the UW-Stout women's cross country team at Saturday's Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Conference Championships in Superior. Crozier finished the 6K at Namadji Golf Course in 23 minutes, 28.01 seconds. The other Blue Devils that scored during the tournament include Krista Jahlmiak (27th, 23:55.84), Abbey Ring (29th, 24:01.70), Christina Anderson (36th, 24:17.53) and Katee Rosburg (37th, 24:18.58). As a team UW-Stout earned a

seventh place tournament at the WIAC Tournament.

In the men's portion of the tournament Blue Devil Nate Haeny led his team with a 17th place finish (26:04.56) as UW-Stout took sixth place out of nine teams.

UW-Stout's Andy Reese rushed for 195 yards and three touchdowns on 41 carries as the Blue Devils downed University of Wisconsin-La Crosse 24-6. Six interceptions that were snagged by the UW-Stout defense was a driving force in the trouncing.

Last weekend the UW-Stout men's rugby team defeated Iowa State 20-0 and Eastern Illinois University 15-12 to advance to this weekend's Midwest Division 2 Final Four in Columbus Ohio.

The team plays Ohio University on Friday and will take on the University of Illinois on the other side of the bracket. This weekend marks the teams fourth trip to the finals in five years. UW-Stout will be moving from Division 2 to Division 1 next season since they made it to the finals.

"It's an exciting chance to go down there and hopefully we'll be able to advance to nationals," said the team's fly half Ben Hronek.

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Mike Stone | Hockey

The University of Wisconsin-Stout's Mike Stone was a nominee for this week's NCHA Player of the Week honors for snaring 26 saves against Lawrence University on Friday.

The Blue Devils skated away with a 3-1 victory to kickoff their season. Stone played in 17 games last season for UW-Stout and tallied an impressive 482 total saves. His overall record last season was five wins, five losses and three ties.

UW-Stout (0-2) will play Gustavus Adolphus Friday in St. Peter Minn. on Friday at 7 p.m. before hosting St. Olaf College Saturday at the Dunn County Ice Arena starting at 7 p.m.

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BLUE DEVIL
SCOREBOARDFOOTBALL (6-2)
24-6 FINAL

UW-Stout faces off against UW-Whitewater Saturday at Don & Nona Williams Stadium for Hall of Fame Day



CROSS COUNTRY

The men's team took sixth at the WIAC Championships as the women finished seventh



HOCKEY (2-0)

The Blue Devil men's hockey team kicked off its season with two wins on the week and host St. Olaf College on Saturday at the Dunn County Ice Arena



SOCCER (10-2-5)

The Blue Devils defeated UW-La Crosse 2-1 in overtime Tuesday during the WIAC Quarterfinals and travel to UW-Eau Claire Friday for the WIAC Semi-Finals

VOLLEYBALL
(17-18)

UW-Stout dropped three losses on Tuesday at the Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Conference Quarterfinals and will compete in the Semifinals Friday in Whitewater



Stout battles on in the WIAC



Bryan Horwath
Sports Writer

Congratulations are in order to the University of Wisconsin-Stout football team for winning at the University of Wisconsin-La Crosse last Saturday. The victory was only UW-Stout's second at UW-La Crosse since 1961.

Behind door number one as the Blue Devils' prize for the 24-6 win: a date with the undefeated University of Wisconsin-Whitewater Warhawks.

In fact, not only are the Warhawks 8-0 (5-0 in WIAC play), but they are also ranked No. 2 in the nation in both the Football Gazette and d3football.com polls. UW-Whitewater sits

right behind national Division III powerhouse Linfield (Ore.).

Although the Blue Devils (6-2, 3-2) stand little chance of getting back into the race for a WIAC championship with only two games left to play, it wouldn't be much of a stretch to call Saturday's game one of the biggest in years for UW-Stout.

Despite some early season injuries, UW-Stout has played very solid football for most of the year. In fact, both of Stout's losses on the road at UW-Oshkosh and at UW-Eau Claire were by a total of 15 points.

That said, Whitewater will be a different animal than the Devils have faced this season. The Warhawks are averaging 44 points and 549 yards of total offense per game. Whitewater lays claim to both the leading rusher (Justin Beaver) and the leading passer (Justin Jacobs) in the WIAC.

Now, before you say that the Blue Devils might as well

be playing the Badgers because they have no chance, consider: UW-Stout has been allowing only 13 points and 242 yards per game, leading the league in both categories. Translation: this shapes up to be a great battle of strength.

Yes, UW-Stout is living up to its name on the defensive side of the ball. Coach Todd Strop — a defensive specialist — has had his guys flying to the ball and playing very tough for the majority of the season.

One thing the Blue Devils will have to do well in order to win is control the clock. After last week's superb performance by Andy Reese (197 yards and three touchdowns) and the UW-Stout offensive line, Strop has to be feeling encouraged.

UW-Stout has had inconsistencies in the passing game throughout the year, but the two-headed quarterback monster of Keldric Stokes and Tanner Kattre probably will not be asked

to win the game. At least that is likely to be the plan early.

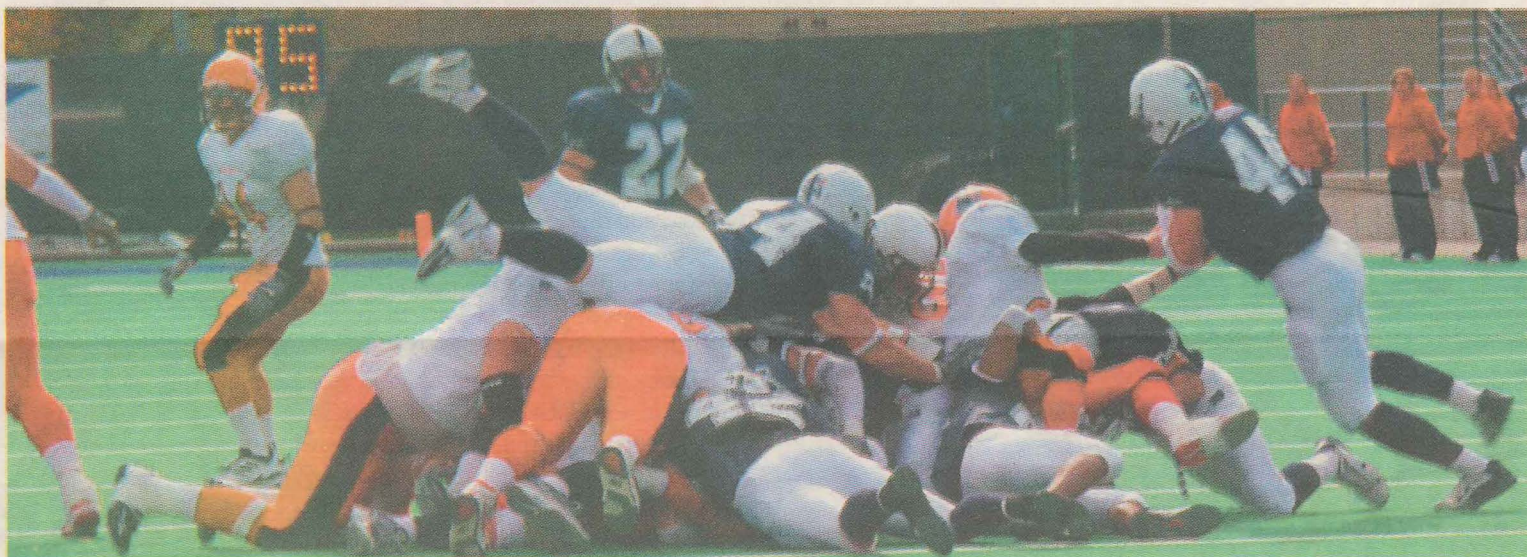
Strop, who has said since he took the head coaching job two years ago, that his goal at Stout is to compete for national championships was understandably upbeat after last week.

"This was a very big win for our program," Strop said. "To go to a traditional Division III powerhouse and get a win is a huge step in the right direction for us."

Strop is right, and he does have the program going in the right direction. Defense wins championships and as long as the Blue Devils are playing defense like they are right now, I believe they can be competitive with anybody, including UW-Whitewater.

"Obviously, we have a big game this weekend with the 2nd ranked team in Division III com

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Andrew Manrique/Stoutonia

The Blue Devils have a battle in store this weekend as they take on the University of Wisconsin-Whitewater. The Warhawks will be fierce competitors with this season's average of 44 points and 549 yards of total offense a game.

A range of PE courses offered

By Casey Nold
Sports Writer

The open course listings are now posted for Spring 2005 and with the University of Wisconsin-Stout's two physical education requirements, students will be obligated to look into the classes we have to offer. There's a very broad variety of sports and activities to choose from.

"PE credits offer me a nice class to look forward to," said Ricky Lopez a sophomore in Engineering Technology.

Dr. Steve Terry, UW-Stout's Athletics Director, has been with the university since back in 1980 and has held the Directors Chair since 1993.

"Self paced fitness classes for students of this era are very different than students of the 70s and 60s in Phys Ed," said Terry. Back in those days you would line up 50 students and have them do jumping jacks in front of you." "That doesn't sell today. Allowing students to develop and create their own programs for fitness, yoga, running, swimming, golf and many others is a self paced fitness program that they can use

for the rest of their lives, and is better then standing in a line doing jumping jacks."

A lot of people wonder why we have to take gym credits; I mean this isn't high school.

"The underlying reason is we want to develop contributing members of society, everyone works until five, but what do they do after five?" said Terry. "In the United States one of the biggest concerns is health care, rising costs of medicines, drugs and in many cases they are preventable by teaching people the value of finding a sense of play."

Besides the basic sports, such as basketball, soccer and bowling, there are some very interesting classes to consider. UW-Stout is offering many new courses touching on many different issues related to personal health, physical endurance, coaching and personal enjoyment.

A common form of entertainment on campus is racquetball. Students who enjoy can complete one gym credit by participating in this game you love.

"Racquetball is fun good exercise and my anti-drug," said

Chris Yecke a sophomore in Early Childhood.

These classes are a chance for you to get your mind off things for a few hours during the day, not to mention it's a good time to be social and meet new people. How many of your other classes are you going to be able to actually talk and play around with other students?

"These activities will be something to take your mind off other stuff, and produce a more well rounded graduate," said Terry.

With the semester flying by many students can feel stressed out. If this sounds familiar, a course you should consider is relaxation, which is a course built on the premise of meditation.

If you can train your body to meditate, the physiological response to that is very positive for the human body; it lowers heart rate and brain waves. In a quarter, you will learn breathing techniques for how to relax your body, how to deal with stressful situations and how to get a good night sleep.

For an extra fee of \$40, Dr. Steve Terry will introduce you to

the underwater world of skin and scuba diving. With ample training and success in this course, you can even earn a scuba license.

Other outdoor sports include fly fishing, canoe techniques, snowboarding and skiing.

Certain classes have specific gear that is required and require minimal fees.

If you have ever felt insecure with your own strength or ability to defend yourself, a personal defense course might help you.

UW-Stout is also offering coaching classes during the spring semester. For starters, the Theory and Management of Coaching class is being offered along with Psychology of Sport and Practicum in Coaching. Coaching courses for football, baseball, softball and track and field are also available.

So keep an optimistic viewpoint when you go to sign up for your classes and realize that there is a lot more to it then just busy classes.

UW-Stout working on an online weight training class, and for those who are not the athletic type, there's a health lecture available to you.

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Org. conduct

By Lindsey Schuldt
News Editor

"I've never seen so many students come to a meeting," said Margaret Haglund, a senior in service management and the caucus leader of the Stout Student Association (SSA).

She was referring to much of the Greek community that appeared at the SSA meeting on Tuesday, Nov. 1 to express their desire for a change in the University of Wisconsin-Stout's Code of Conduct (COC) for recognized student organizations.

The Greek community has a problem with the fifth rule of the COC that states, "recognized student organizations may not affiliate, co-sponsor, advertise or conduct an event or activity with any other student organization who has been prohibited from participation in such event or activity, and or is on probation by the SSA, UW-Stout, and/or the National Office or governing body of an organization."

"Most organizations on campus are sustaining, and do not need other organizations to survive," said Lindsey Grandt, the Pan-Hellenic Council president. "Greek organizations at the University of Wisconsin-Stout are not self sustaining; in fact, Greek organizations on any campus can not survive without a community environment."

The part that they wish to remove from the COC is where it states organizations cannot associate with other organizations that are "on probation."

"We feel that this is hurting our community as a whole," said Thomas Zinkle, co-president of the Inter-Fraternal Council. "That is prohibiting us from

interacting with every organization and is not healthy for [our organizations] individually or as a community."

Those in Greek organizations feel that those not on probation are being punished more than those that are.

"If you think about it, it's not affecting those on probation but the 80 percent that aren't because of the way the rule is stated," said Sandi Meinsen, UW-Stout's community development coordinator and an advisor for the Greek community.

"If fraternities or sororities that are not on probation affiliate with a Greek organization that is on probation, those not on probation are the ones that get cited, nothing happens to the organization on probation," said Meinsen.

Members from every Greek organization were present at the meeting and so many showed up that some students were forced to stand due to limited seats.

"It was so great to see that many students come to support something that they care so much about," said Jenny Schuh, a senior majoring in early childhood and the SSA's director of organizational affairs.

When new business was introduced, the council brought up the idea of amending the COC. At the end it was moved by Senator Plana to "amend the COC whereas to better clarify the COC for all student organizations." The motion passed unanimously.

"This rule should be reconsidered and revised to help us be the best Greek community that we can be on this campus," said Justin Wieners, co-president

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Murals bring color to HK Hall

By Tiffany Laschinger
News Writer

The residents of Hansen and Keith took part in a contest put on by their hall director, Andrew Busch.

Each floor was given the challenge to paint a mural on a wall in the downstairs lounge. The floor could choose their own theme, but their idea had to go through Busch for approval.

Most of the students in Hansen and Keith are art students, and this mural gave them a chance to show their talents.

After a design was agreed upon, the team chose the paint, and a section of wall was assigned. The team initially had a week to complete the painting. The students would come down when they had free time and paint what they could.

The deadline was later changed to allow more time to do a quality job.

"[The murals] will be up for a while, so the effort they put in was nice," said Jacalyn Schultz, R.A. on second floor Keith. "My girls have so much pride in their work."



Tiffany Laschinger/Stoutonia

'Travel Gate': will orgs. be able to travel?

By Kristie Wilson
News Writer

According to rumors going around, travel laws are getting really strict and ridiculous to the extent that they are not sure if they will allow student organizations to travel.

These rumors are false. Student organizations will still

be able to travel just as much as they have before. The only things that have changed are a couple of contract rules to follow. This will not affect the students.

"Only employees have to follow this," said Kim Schulte-Shoberg, interim assistant controller on the new policies.

Some of the new rules

include travel cards. All University of Wisconsin-Stout employees will be required to use either an institutional liability purchasing card or the state-provided USBank personal liability travel card. These cards were offered before for employees but were not required.

The USBank Visa Travel Card took effect Oct. 17. It is

a personal liability-purchasing card. This card can be used for all allowable travel expenses related to official university business. With this card you send in a travel expenses report and will be refunded right away. The traveler will be reimbursed within a few business days of sending the report.

The institutional liability-

purchasing (Pro-Travel) card is a state provided institutional liability purchasing card. With this card, the bill is paid directly by the university. The Pro-Travel card can be used for reimbursable travel agencies, service fees, airline tickets, lodging costs and car rental

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Weather

Friday 11-11 60° / 36° Mostly Sunny
Saturday 11-12 59° / 39° Showers
Sunday 11-13 50° / 33° Few Showers
Monday 11-14 53° / 30° Few Showers
Tuesday 11-15 53° / 31° Snow Showers
Wednesday 11-16 40° / 25° Sunny
Thursday 11-17 44° / 29° Partly Cloudy

Congressman Kind has conference

By Tracy Consi Dine
News Writer

On Nov. 17 and 18 the University of Wisconsin-Stout is hosting third congressional district Congressman Ron Kind's fifth annual Business Development Conference. This year's title is "Linking Your Supply Chain."

Thursday's presentation will cover the manufacturing supply chain, while Friday's presentation will cover the government's supply chain. This event is open to the general public. All events will be held in the Great Hall (upper level) of the Memorial Student Center on the UW-Stout campus.

The conference begins promptly at 8 a.m. on Nov. 17 and will conclude around 5:30 p.m., with an optional dinner for attendants and alumni to follow shortly after. The dinner will be held at Old Towne in Menomonie.

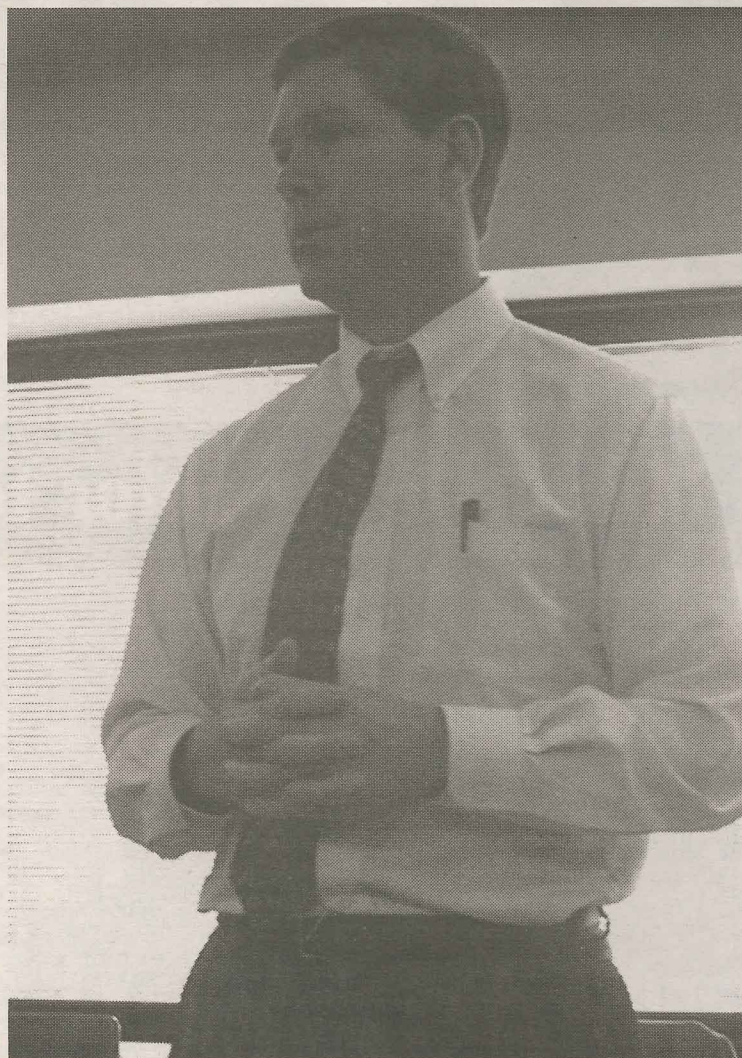
The itinerary for the conference includes a variety of presentations and a number of hands-on workshops for attendants. The topics to be discussed are: emerging technologies, the processing improvement strategies, energy conservation and quality and leadership in business.

There will also be participation by both government and commercial buyers. President and CEO of Xcel Energy-Wisconsin, Mike Swanson, will be a compulsory speaker at the conference.

"[The conference] provides a great opportunity for the businesses in our area to network and learn how to overcome the obstacles that their businesses are facing in today's economic environment," said Swanson.

Some of the presenters will include:

- Mike Swanson
- Steven Senor, safety instructor at Chippewa Valley Technical College
- Larry Blackledge, Northwest Wisconsin Manufacturing Outreach Center (NWMOC)
- Bruno Rahn, Hearth and Home Technologies
- Kelly Sullivan and Aaron Bialzik, Project



Lindsey Schultdt/Stoutonia file photo
Congressman Ron Kind is bringing his business conference to the University of Wisconsin-Stout for students and regional businesses.

Managers of NWMOC Thursday will be a day filled with breakout sessions and speakers with opening statements made by Dr. Charles W. Sorensen, Chancellor of UW-Stout.

One of UW-Stout's own, Dr. Thomas Lacksonen, professor of Operations Construction and Management, will be a speaker at the event. Lacksonen chose to speak on global manufacturing, which is what he has been researching in his field of study.

"Information is based on my sabbatical year, when I lived in Turkey for a year," said Lacksonen.

Other UW-Stout speakers will include Don Olson, Jerry Johnson and Rajiv Asthana. All of these speakers are professors of engineering and technologies courses. John Petro and Danny Bee, assistant professors of engineering and technologies, will also be speaking.

Friday's topics include current government initiatives, direct sales to the government, subcontracting with prime contractors and small business preference programs. Participants will have the opportunity to meet with contracting professionals to receive individual advice in regards to federal contracting.

Students pursuing business or manufacturing careers are also encouraged to attend.

"I think it is very important for students to get involved with business and companies before they graduate because it allows them to experience industry," said Anthony Owen, a senior in manufacturing engineering.

Owen stated that getting involved in business is largely self motivated and recommended that students utilize their resources as well as find seminars and conferences that interest them. Registration for Congressman Kind's Business

Conference can be made on-line at www.wispro.org.

Registration can be made for both days, collectively or separately. Cost for the conference is \$135 for both days or \$75 for one day, if registration is made in advance. On-site cost

is \$160 for both days or \$95 for one day. Academic attendees pay only \$45 for both days and \$25 for one day.



Citations for Nov. 2- Nov. 9

- 15 UAD (1st offense)
- 2 UAD (2nd offense)
- 2 Assaultive behavior
- 1 Off-road operation of MV
- 3 Possession of Marijuana
- 3 Possession of paraphernalia

Pheasants in dumpster

An officer was called to the Home Economic Building loading dock for some deceased pheasants placed by the dumpster. There were also several bags of garbage placed by the dumpster that didn't belong to the Home Economics Building. When the garbage bags were opened, two names were found, a male and female. The female subject was contacted and was asked by the officer if she threw away any garbage in the Home Economics Building or placed the pheasant by the dumpster. She replied, "No." She was also asked if she knew the male subject, she replied, "No." When the male subject was contacted, he told the officer that he had placed the garbage bags in the dumpster, but he had not placed the pheasants there. The officer advised him that he could be cited for littering if this happened again.

Desperate times

There were six rolls of toilet paper stolen from the women's rest room on the upper level of Bowman Hall. There are no

suspects for the theft. We apparently live in desperate times.

Etching the elevator

The letters "CSE" were scratched into the elevators in Red Cedar Hall. Elevator 1 had the letters scratched in the control panel and Elevator 2 had it scratched on the door. A sharp instrument of some kind was apparently used. Upon checking, no one on the entire campus has the initials "CSE."

Bumper cars

Damage was done to a vehicle in Lot 4. The vehicle was damaged on the passenger side mirror, and there was a dent on the passenger side rear door. It looks like the complainant's vehicle was hit by another vehicle. It appears the damage was less than \$1,000. There are no suspects or witnesses in the accident.

Gun on campus

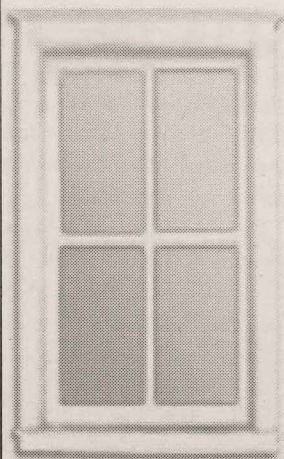
Officers were dispatched to CKTO for the report of male subjects throwing beer bottles across the street. Upon arrival, the officers were met by the desk worker who stated that there had been two male subjects throwing the objects. He tried to follow one of them who had come into CKTO and observed the other male walk into North Hall. Neither subject was identified.

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of the Inter-Fraternity Council. "Sanctions are the rules and guidelines that organizations are given to lead them back to being a healthy part of this campus."

The Greek community still wants to make sure that organizations that are on probation are reprimanded for their actions; however, they wish that each organization was able to be punished under their own sanctions, not all organizations punished as a whole.

"We realize that when being put on probation we are also being punished for wrongs that we have committed, which is where the sanctions that are handed down to us come into place," said Wieners. "Any punishment that is to be handed down should be covered in the sanctions of the organization that is on probation."



Lindsey Schultdt/Stoutonia

Every fraternity and sorority at UW-Stout attended the SSA meeting on Nov. 2 to show their desire for a change to the current Code of Conduct. So many attended, some of the students were forced to stand.

SSA Punishment for Organizations

The following are examples for possible sanctions that may be conditions of an organization's punishment. In no particular order:

- Disciplinary warning
- Disciplinary probation
- Disciplinary suspension of university recognition
- Revocation of university recognition
- Funds freeze
- Fines
- Loss of university privileges and/or services
- Restitution (i.e. pay for damages)
- Community service
- Education program
- Specific conditions related to organization functions and activities

Travel / hard

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costs only. It is not to be used for personal expenses or any other business travels.

"It's a lot of guess as to how this is going to effect us," said Ted Wenum, director of accounting services. "We don't know how they will act out, we'll know more in six months."

Another change in the travel contract is the lodging in state. This is effective right now. There are certain contract hotels that must be used whenever possible. If the contracted hotel is not used, the traveler must get three quotes, in which one must be from the contracted hotel, and go with the lowest priced quote. There is no contract for out of state lodging.

"It's more work on behalf of the employees if we go off contract," said Wenum.

Similar rules are becoming effective in January for airfare. The two contract airlines are Adelman Travel Agency and Orbitz. If the traveler doesn't use the contacted airlines, again,

they must get three quotes, in which one must be Adelman or Orbitz, and go with the lowest quote. There are two rules that relate in some way to students, the study abroad program and the athletics.

The study abroad is a rule that is being revised starting Dec. 1. The contracted agency is Student Travel Administration. It is the same for the study abroad than the other rules. If going with an off contract agency, they must get quotes and go with the lowest. It is recommended to use an agency when studying abroad.

"I think a lot of study abroad programs would prefer an agency to help keep everyone together so no one gets lost," said Wenum.

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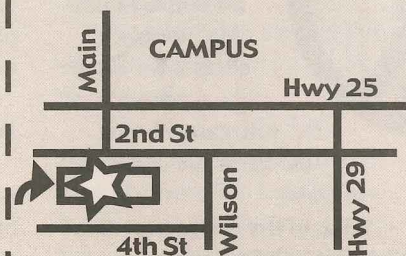
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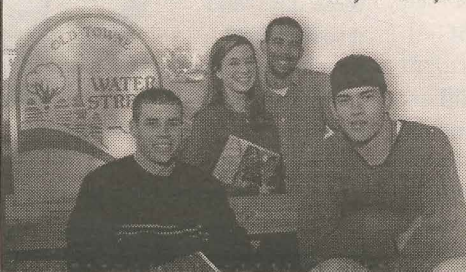
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Good and bad of living off-campus



Staff Editorial The Stoutonia Staff

It's something that just about every student looks forward to: that year when they finally get to move out of the dorms.

Sure, the dorms aren't all bad. They almost force you to make new friends, which is definitely a good thing when you first come to college. They do have their advantages.

But who wants to share a bathroom with that many people for their entire college

career? Probably not many.

So when it's finally time to be moving out of the dorms, and into a house or apartment of your very own (well one with your own room at least), most students are pretty excited.

Unfortunately, it turns out that living off campus has its disadvantages too.

Problems can happen even with signing the lease. Although these problems may not be very common, they do occur.

Things get a little complicated when one person has an appointment to sign a lease and later finds out that the lease has already been signed by someone else.

Even before signing the lease, there are things to consider. Who to live with, where to live and whether to live in an apartment complex or house.

Some of us may feel more comfortable living with both guys and girls in the same apartment or house than others. It could either turn out to be a great learning experience about the opposite sex, or it could be a complete disaster.

This could be something that is easier with a larger number. Having three girls and three guys together

would probably work better than having just one of each in the same place.

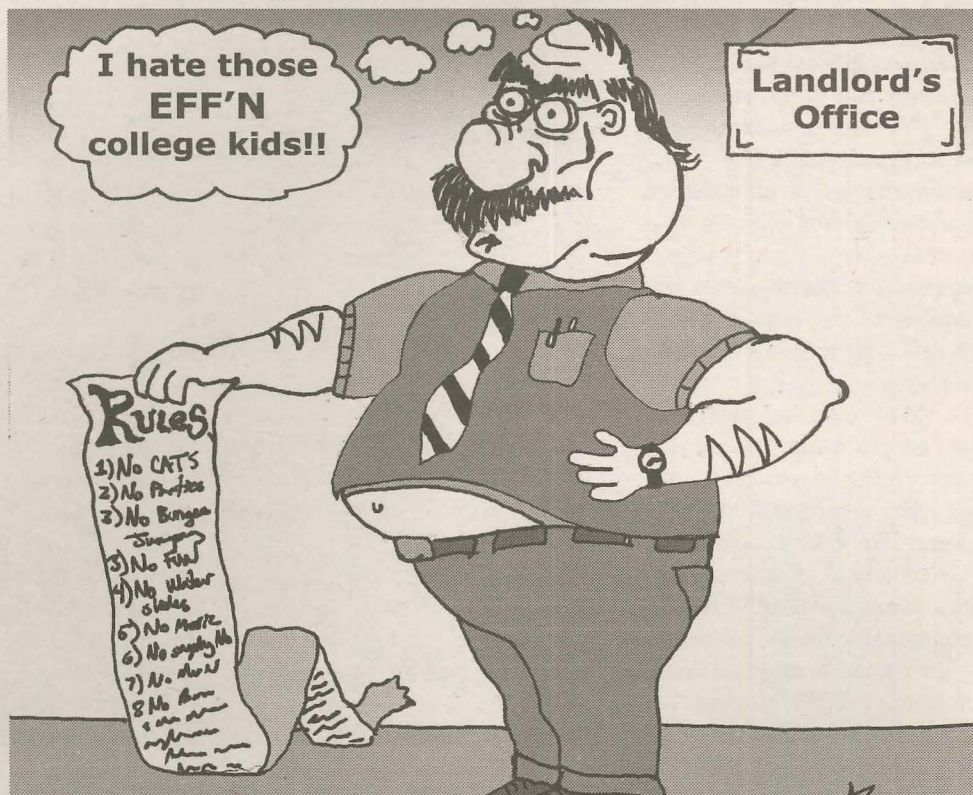
Once you know who you want to live with, the search can begin: the search for that perfect house or apartment; okay, maybe it won't be perfect. The search for the

cheapest, closest to campus place with the biggest rooms that you can all agree on.

But which is better, a house or an apartment complex?

When this was brought up at *The Stoutonia* meeting, some thought that in an apartment complex things would be cleaner and landlords would be better and faster at fixing things.

It was also mentioned that sometimes it is not the landlord's responsibility to take care of everything. If the tenants take the initiative



to do some things, such as cleaning something or even replacing some things, this can make the relationship between landlord and tenant much better.

Then when there is something that needs to be done by the landlord, they may be more willing to cooperate and get things done in a timely matter.

This is something that seemed to be a common problem. More than one occasion was recalled where a problem was brought up to a landlord and it took more

than a reasonable amount of time for the said problem to be fixed.

But don't lose hope yet. Living off campus isn't all bad. After all, you don't have to worry about a resident advisor coming around every so often to make sure you aren't doing anything you aren't supposed to and you can come and go as you please without swiping any card to get back in after a certain time.

Just be sure you pay that rent on time!

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Cell phone use becoming just a distraction



Bryan Horwath Columnist

Mike Sherman, thank you. I say that from the bottom of my heart because you really came through this time.

I'm talking about what Sherman did on Wednesday of last week during his weekly press conference.

He shut it down after about 15 minutes when someone's cell phone went off and interrupted him.

Sherman has strict rules about the use of cell phones within his team, and expects the same kind of respect for others in his press conferences.

Apparently, this had an ongoing theme throughout the season from members of press row.

I think what Sherman did was wonderful, and maybe it will open some eyes in this country about rudeness and cell phone use.

Sherman became upset

when a cell phone, belonging to one of the cameramen, went off in the middle of him answering a question about his defense.

This is about the way that people in our great country choose to communicate via the cell phone. That is, with little respect, many times, to those in their presence.

Honestly, people, is it that hard to remember to put your phone on vibrate or silent when you're in a restaurant, movie theater or meeting?

I don't think so, but I am constantly reminded of the fact that others must not share my opinion.

To be honest, I think the nation, as a whole, is becoming desensitized to the issue of cell phones going off at inappropriate times.

After all, it seems everyone has a cell phone these days, and it seems that people look the other way many times, when cell phone use is downright rude.

This being a college campus, the obvious example I can make is phones going off in class.

I'm not about to say that having your phone ring in English 101 makes you a bad person, but I do think that it is a conscious choice to not be polite when you bring your phone to class and don't remember to shut it off.

It's not that hard. Most people remember to do things that are a priority to them (such as lock their car doors or pay bills on time).

I don't understand how it can be so hard to forget to turn your phone off.

Many high schools have bans on cell phones and I think it should be the same way on Wisconsin campuses.

Will that ever happen? I doubt it, but I think it would be the right thing to do.

At the very least, instructors should shave off points (a limited number, of course) for every time a person's cell starts blaring the latest Lil' Jon song in class.

One of my instructors this semester, who will remain nameless, often employs a

tactic that I think just great.

When a student's phone rings in class, he asks to talk to whoever is on the other line.

Along with being funny, it drives home this basic point in a subtle and non-demanding way: this is not time for your cell conversation.

If there really was an emergency of any sort, then fine, but the fact is that most of the time it isn't.

Hey, I'm all for communication and technological advances. I just hope that we don't forget that people are more important than machines.

Even if you don't know the person next to you, he or she is there and should be treated with respect.

The funny thing about what happened in Green Bay the other day was that Sherman actually stopped talking and asked the guilty camera man to come clean (it wasn't clear whose phone had started ringing) and nobody said anything.

Can you imagine that? What a gutless coward.

I might not agree with the way you manage a game, Mike, but you are definitely an all-pro coach when it comes to respect for the people around you.



Giving freedom a new name *Insecurities*



Brian Legg
Columnist

The false advertising needs to come to an end. If "freedom is not free," as many a bumper sticker has informed me, then it should be labeled accordingly.

Perhaps "expensivedom" or "maycauseexcessivewarsdom" would be more fitting words to describe the concept we now call freedom. Or perhaps my gag reflex is just too sensitive when it comes to the ultra-cliché.

But what is freedom? Some definitions I found on www.dictionary.com include:

1. The condition of being free of restraints.

Maybe this refers to being free of the restraints like the Geneva Convention or the War Crimes Act.

In 2004, *The Wall Street Journal* (not exactly your left-wing publication) reported that a memorandum was circulated through the highest levels of the Pentagon that offered legal advice surrounding the torture of detainees at places like Abu Ghraib and Guantanamo Bay.

2. Exemption from the arbitrary exercise of authority in the performance of a specific action; civil liberty: freedom of assembly.

For many of the president's speeches, "free speech" zones were set up to keep protesters far away from Bush. Apparently, his feelings get hurt when he sees people who aren't exactly fans of his.

During the campaign, all of Bush and Cheney's speeches were pre-screened so only sup-

porters of the administration could attend.

3. The right to unrestricted use; full access.

This administration is regarded as the most secretive since the Nixon administration.

They have consistently hampered, and, in some cases, outright blocked investigations into various improprieties on their part.

This includes opposing the Sept. 11 Commission before supporting it (talk about a flip-flop); the refusal of Dick Cheney to disclose the members of a secret energy task force to advise on energy policy (which may or may not have included top officials from Enron); and consistently misleading the public surrounding the details of the CIA leak case, before finally stonewalling all together.

I think we need a lesson in freedom here at home before we start spreading it abroad. I don't

think we want to spread the kind of freedom I just alluded to.

Think about the consequences of spreading the ideology espoused by the current administration.

Do we really need another secretive, torturous and unilaterally preemptive striking nation running around the planet? If our goal is to stop rogue nations from holding the world hostage, then we should take a look at how our own policies might be perceived at doing just that.

In the case of the war with Iraq, which has been purported as being part of defending our freedom, we should think critically about what our real mission is and how to achieve it.

We need to stop talking in cheesy, over-simplified phrases like, "freedom isn't free" or "freedom is on the march," and start figuring out how the hell we're going to get out of the mess we've gotten in.



Lindsey Schuldt
News Editor

If it's mind over matter then balding young men would just have to think really hard about their receding hairline and it would fix itself.

Or those abdominal machines, you know, the one's you put around your stomach and let shake, in order to build muscle while you sit on your ever-expanding bottom and watch TV and eat potato chips (don't worry, they're baked), wouldn't have been such a big waste of money.

This whole insecurity thing is being taken a little too far. Not only are bad advertisers taking things too far, but so is everyone who's ever been uneasy about any feature on their body.

Beauty comes from within, right? Yeah, and Peter Pan is flying children to Never Land (not to be confused with Michael Jackson's ranch) as we speak.

If beauty was measured by personality and intelligence, then why don't more teenage and college-aged boys and men have a picture of Eleanor Roosevelt above their bed?

Maybe if you pasted her head over Jenna Jameson's body in a seductive, suggestive pose wearing only a shoelace. Even then, I can't see her being a national beauty icon.

Size doesn't matter, but I won't date a man shorter than me. I don't know why. Not that there aren't a bunch of cute, short men running around. But I'd rather be single for my entire life, than have a wedding picture of me looking down at my husband, whose chin lines up directly with my push-up bra.

There's another point to make. Why should I need to wear a push up bra? I actually like being small chested, and I'll agree with my male counter-parts that water and air bras are false advertising. However, I haven't seen a lot of ways in which having a bigger chest is necessarily a bigger problem.

But, in comparison with the male problem of having a small unit of attachment, I guess I'm lucky to have the option of a push up bra.

All of these silly little things are insecurities that people obsess about daily. Big or small, wide or invisibly narrow, no one is 100 percent satisfied with the package they're given.

There's not really a solution to the inevitable problem of insecurity. It's human nature to never be satisfied.

I'm not poking fun at people who have detrimental insecurities, I'm just trying to help people to see how funny insecurity itself is.

Insecurity is like fear. If you don't believe in it, it doesn't exist. If people just stop believing, insecurities will stop existing.

Bible studies banned in university dormitories



Shawn Peter
Columnist

An interesting story hit the headlines in the last week: "College dorms ban Bible studies."

The story is about how a resident advisor from one of the dorms at the University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire led a Bible study in the basement of his dorm with some friends.

In July, the university sent several RAs a letter stating they could no longer lead a Bible study, or disciplinary actions would be taken, even if it was in their own private time.

The news is first hitting the press now, but the shouting has been going on since July, when the letter was first received.

Some resident advisors host a Bible study on a weekly

basis at the University of Wisconsin-Stout.

Several friends of mine participate in these activities regularly and look forward to Bible studies, even if it's their RA leading them.

As far as I know, UW-Stout doesn't have a policy banning RAs from hosting a Bible study if it's in their private time, but at Eau Claire and some of the other universities in the UW System it's a different story.

Several arguments in favor of such policies are "there's freedom of speech, but this is a tax payer's subsidy of worship" and "Once you're an RA, you're that position 24/7; go off campus to host a Bible study."

The real problem with the policy also applies to private time. A Bible study with a group of friends in the RA's room is out of the question.

Where does the line get drawn? Just because a person is designated as the RA, does it mean they have to sacrifice their

First Amendment rights?

For those that practice any religion, not just Christians, it is critically important to understand because it's a hot issue that could leave a lasting impact for many.

Freedom of religion is very often confused with freedom from religion.

A state-funded university must follow the free expression clause in the First Amendment. Under the freedom of expression clause, universities cannot institute any policy designed primarily (or partially) to suppress the practice of religion.

The *Zelman v. Simmons* court case decided the government must take a neutral stance on religion. What about the viewpoint on neutrality?

I found that *Widmar v. Vincent* decided that once a university opens its facilities to a broad spectrum of student groups, it may not deny religious groups that same access.

In the case of the RA from Eau Claire it didn't involve a

student group, but rather an individual, but should be guaranteed the same protection.

Gubernatorial candidate Mark Green has written the president of the university system, Kevin Reilly, on this issue stating the university policy is strictly "un-American" and must be changed.

Other actions are being taken by various groups, ranging from local to national. Even though we aren't affected at UW-Stout at the moment, system policies restricting the free practice of religion, especially in an individual's private time, must be re-looked.

The debate will wage. One side doesn't want religion in public, the other wants freedom to practice. Any decision could affect those that host Bible studies, most specifically RAs.

One thing is certain: the Bill of Rights guarantees the freedom of expressing religion. We must be vigilant and never let that right be taken away.

Throw your refuse in the receptacle



Michael Graney
Columnist

As I walk to class, one thing is constant no matter what the weather. It is a rather repulsive sight to behold. I find the ground covered with garbage.

The largest culprits I find are cigarette butts, littering the landscape with such regularity that it sometimes becomes hard to see the pavement.

I guess the tobacco companies are proud of this way of judging the usage of their product. I really don't care if you smoke or not, but what really is important to me is to not leave your trash out.

Does smoking somehow impair one's ability to throw the butt in an ashcan or garbage?

It must, because I find a lot around public places designed to dispose of said remnants.

The second largest culprit I find is food wrappers.

According to my base calculations from the food wrappers left on the ground, the populace of the University of Wisconsin-Stout will not need to worry about dying of hunger any time soon.

We all need to eat, but must we leave our garbage all over the ground?

The other refuse lying about is a random collection of notable items, like beer bottles and cans, used condoms, papers and other miscellaneous items.

It must be sad to live where there are so few garbage cans that the only viable option is the ground.

Oh wait, what is that I see on every block? Could it be a garbage can? A thing designed as a repository for the rubbish that is left over from the human experience?

You mean this litter that is upon the ground has a home, a place to go after its usefulness has expired, a place where we don't have to look at it obscuring the ground? Why yes, this is such a revolutionary device.

Don't people realize that we have such a wondrous device to throw our waste in?

I'm not sure, so that is why I'm writing this piece. Consider this your public service announcement from this one writer.

Next time, when you have a piece of refuse you feel like just casually tossing on the ground, look for these magical waste receptacles.

With all the wondrous

devices in our society such as the Internet, the DVD, the computer and the virtual date, it takes something as simple and wondrous as the trashcan to make a potentially huge difference in our world.

It is not a new invention by any means, rather it has been around for quite a while. They serve a different purpose than being weapons in a wrestling match. They are a place to dispose our refuse!

Now it becomes our job to put them to use.

I hope we aren't so apathetic to our fellow people that we don't care. I know I care. I hope my fellow students care too.

Next time you find some refuse in your hands, take the few extra seconds to use these devices and dispose of your trash. I'm sick of seeing it.

ROTC offers leadership training



By Casey Nold
Campus Writer

The look of determination and pride with no sense of regret seemed painted on the faces of so many young men and women willing to serve our country. Marching feet and "sir, yes sir" rang through the air like an acoustic symphony that only played for one reason: freedom.

This past weekend, the University of Wisconsin-Stout's Reserve Officer Training Core (ROTC) allowed me to join them at Fort McCoy outside Tomah, WI, to discover what it is to be a student training to be a soldier.

Having no military experience and hardly knowing anything about the ROTC program, I subjected myself to partake in the events that would take place at Fort McCoy.

A bit anxious, slightly nervous and completely unknowing of what to expect, I was ready to get started and experience what would become one of the greatest eye opening experiences of my life.

When we arrived, the cadets were standing patiently, but anxious and ready, with their squads in their platoons awaiting orders for the evening's events about to take place. Not soon enough, the

cadets received their orders and each squad, accompanied by a leader, broke apart to complete a confidence course.

This course is composed of several obstacles and is basically used for conditioning and building confidence for the cadets.

"It gives you a boost to get ahead of your peers," said Tim Galapa, a student studying political science at St. Norbert University. "It's a confidence builder and a leadership builder."

Upon completing the confidence course, the cadets were ordered back into their platoons and transported over to the dining hall for chow.

After dinner, we all arrived at the barracks. Various sergeants and MS IVs (seniors in the program who organized the ROTC events) were out and about teaching classes and organizing things for the next day's events.

The 5 a.m. wake up call was a relief from the night of restless sleep due to the cold weather. I was much more prepared for this day's course of action and wore a heavy coat and hiking boots.

Certain MS IIIs (juniors) and some of the MS IVs were transported to the field to start the day's events. The rest of the cadets (MS Is and MS IIs, freshmen and sophomores) went to chow and were then brought to the field and began their training.

Although previously experiencing a cold and exhausting night, I was very anxious and excited for the events await-



Photo submitted by Casey Nold

Casey Nold and cadet Amanda Waldusky, a business sophomore at the University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire are strapped into the helicopter for a 15 minute ride. Prior to this experience, Nold had never flown.

ing us at the field. Something I was surprised by, but happy to encounter, was that the food at the dining hall was very good. For both dinner and breakfast, we had many choices of entrees and side dishes to complete a healthy meal.

The first course was the field leadership reaction course. Here, the cadets formed groups, were given various tasks with minimal equipment and had to solve the problem they were given within a certain amount of time.

This course was meant to teach teamwork, leadership and problem solving skills and showed the importance of working together and trust. To some surprise, many of the teams were able to successfully complete the tasks within the given amount of time.

The leaders made it clear that the purpose of this event was not necessarily to complete the event, but it was to learn how to work together and use their knowledge of problem solving and quick thinking skills to even attempt the task.

After completing four different situations, the cadets marched over to the rappel tower. The cadets were always marching or jogging to get them in the habit of using time to their benefit. This 34 foot wall is used to give the cadets confidence to overcome the fear of heights and also to trust the person on the ground to not let them fall.

Trying this activity myself, I was very scared, due to a life-long fear of heights. It was hard to trust myself, but when I completed the task, I felt very good about myself and understood why this was important for the cadets to complete.

Although I was very sketchy about trying to rappel the tower, and I almost gave up, I would

do it again and would suggest to anyone with any amount of fear of heights to try this event. It's completely safe, you cannot fall and the feeling you get after doing it is worth the fluttering butterflies and sick sensation you get right before you take the plunge.

"You find out that there are so many moving pieces, it's difficult," said Cadet Russel Simonis, a student at the University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point majoring in communications.

Simonis is an MS IV who helped create the structure for all the events at this ROTC event. He also stressed the importance of accuracy, timing and organization in planning this event.

The next event took us to the helicopter. Once again, the cadets split into groups and waited for their turn to tour Fort McCoy from the air.

We loaded into the helicopter, got strapped in and enjoyed a 15 minute ride in one of the military's finest pieces of equipment. This was the greatest experience of the day for me and many of the other cadets, especially for me because prior to this, I had never flown.

The final event for this part of the day was the pugil sticks. Here, the cadets were taught basic skills on how to defend themselves with their weapon in the event that they should have to. After first practicing each technique, they got to test their skills against one another in a controlled battle with ample protective gear.

Lieutenant Colonel Scott Bolstad, UW-Stout's professor of Military Science, even participated in this event, giving the cadets a smile and a sense of respect and admiration for their superior.

Later in the day, the cadets

would go to complete two land navigation courses, one during the light of day and the other blinded by the dark of night. The officers in training were given a map and a compass and had to navigate their way to certain points mapped out by MS IVs.

"It's like treasure hunting without a treasure," said Cadet Greg Highstrom, a senior at University of Wisconsin-Green Bay majoring in communications.

The treasure in this case is the satisfaction of completing the task and the things learned along the way that they will take with them.

ROTC is a credited course of instruction offered through many UW colleges. The course can be used as an elective to build good leadership qualities or as a way to become an officer in the military. Observing these cadets and their higher officers made me realize how the program affects such a variety of people and the many ways they can be affected by it.

"It's always something I wanted to do as a child," said Cadet Captain Matt Jakircevic, a senior at University of Wisconsin-Oshkosh majoring in history and English. "I'm a part of something that's important."

Jakircevic started in this program with a scholarship and received full tuition, a semester allowance of \$900 and a monthly stipend of \$500 to live on.

"I learned a lot about leadership and how to be a good leader," said Jakircevic.

"[ROTC] is a good program because they teach you a lot of leadership and management," said Warrant Officer Carl Hermanson, a pilot of three years for the Army. "It's good professional development."

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Photo submitted Casey Nold

Michael Close, a history freshman at the University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point scales the rappelling tower, a 34 foot wall.

Community remembers 100-year-old bell

By Katie Triphan
Campus Writer

Following the homecoming parade this year, the bell monument housing the cracked former Bowman Tower bell was commemorated. The bell was taken down in 1997 as it had been out of commission since around 1914, when parts to the striking mechanism wore out.

After the bell had ceased to ring, students began the practice of climbing the tower during special occasions (such as a victorious football game) to ring the bell with a sledgehammer. It was during one of these occasions that an over-zealous student's hammering finally cracked the bell, quieting the bell forever.

Though the student (whose name was never revealed) quieted the bell itself, and though it would seem the action had rendered the bell completely useless, nothing could be further from the truth.

More important than the actual ringing, the bell used to produce what the bell originally stood for, and still stands for today. It is a symbol of the strong link between the University of Wisconsin-Stout and the Menomonie community.

When Senator Stout erected the first building for his manual training school, it took only a year before the building could no longer house all the students, and a

more suitable building needed to be built.

The citizens of Menomonie-recognizing the large benefit the school already had on their community-implored Senator Stout to replace the much too small school building with a larger one. Senator Stout, with no hesitation, eagerly built a bigger, more suitable building to house the school and included a clock tower on the structure.

Sadly, a few short years later, Senator Stout's second manual training building was destroyed by fire. The Menomonie community was greatly disappointed by the loss and wasted no time sending out a petition for Senator Stout to rebuild the school.

Senator Stout replied he'd be happy to rebuild if Menomonie agreed to rebuild their high school (which had also been lost in the fire) next to the manual training school building, symbolizing their cooperative relationship with each other.

Perhaps more important than the arrangement of a new location for the high school was the agreement of the community to raise money for a new bell for the clock tower of the new manual training building (known today as Bowman Hall.) The community raised the money—a total of \$3,000

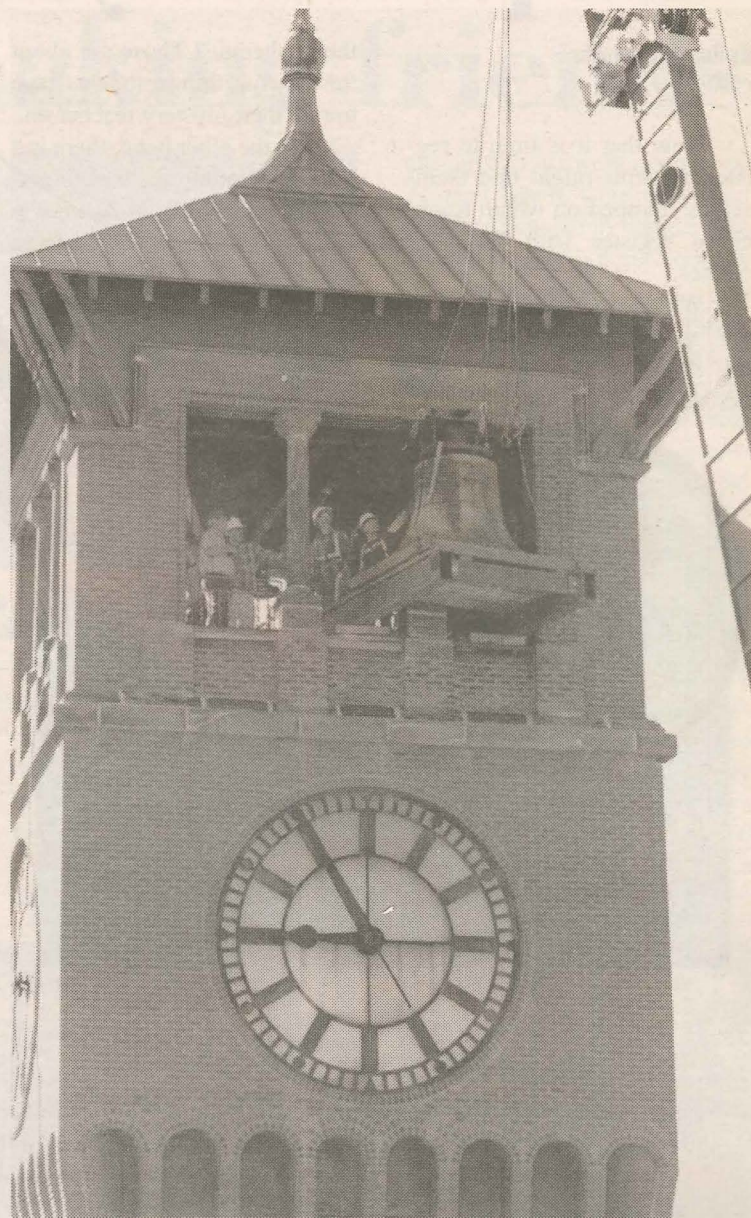
for the 7,000 pound bell—and the bell was placed in the new clock tower where it resided for just shy of 100 years.

Today the high school no longer stands to show the parallel, cooperative relationship between community and school, and the tower itself houses a new bell. Sometimes today the ties between the community and the university become quite strained and the two are at odds over different issues. An example of this tension that involves students at UW-Stout would be the annual homecoming parade. The community used to enjoy taking their children to this event.

Although some families still do carry out this tradition, the event has eroded over the years due to consumption of alcohol by parade goers and those in the parade as well. As a result the parade isn't so much the family friendly event that it used to be.

It's at these times I think it is extremely important to remember the original cooperation between community and school. I think it was very fitting to have the bell dedicated during the homecoming parade.

Maybe that was a sign showing us that there are many opportunities for students to help preserve the important relationship between community and school.



Source: UW-Stout Archives/Area Research Center

The old bell tolled for 100 years before a student cracked it with a sledgehammer. The 7,000 pound bell was taken down in 1997.

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- Best Faculty/Staff Member _____
- Best Women's Blue Devil Sport _____
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- Best Men's Blue Devil Sport _____
- Best Intramural Sport _____
- Best Place to Work off campus _____
- Best Organization _____
- Best Bank _____
- Best Drink Special _____
- Best Bar _____
- Best Pizza _____
- Best Late Night Munchies _____
- Best Hair Salon _____
- Best Grocery store _____
- Best Liquor Store _____
- Best Date Place _____
- Best New Business _____
- Best Sandwiches/Subs _____
- Best Video Store _____
- Best Auto Repair _____
- Best Party House _____
- Best Fishing Place _____

Once again, we are asking you, the readers, to vote on the Best of Menomonie. Nothing fancy here, we just tally the votes and print the results.

We will give detailed information on how people voted in our Dec. 15 issue.

So please vote before then, and turn your ballot in at any Best of Menomonie Balloting Box or at the Stoutonia Office in the Memorial Student Center.

- Best Food for a College Budget _____
- Best Entertainment at Stout _____
- Best Major _____
- Best Coffee in Town _____
- Best Fast Food _____
- Best Place to Work on Campus _____
- Best Fine Dining _____
- Best Scenic Place _____
- Best place to get away _____
- Best weekend activity _____
- Best Stoutonia Employee _____
- Best Off Campus Housing Management _____

Scope out your professors online

By Rachel Landwehr
Campus Writer

Now that it is time to register, students might find themselves stumped on which teacher to register with for classes.

Which one has the most appealing name or fits best with

their schedule? Those are about the only two things students have to rate their mystery teacher on.

On the other hand, there is a more non-traditional way of getting information about the professors on campus.

There is a Web site titled "Rate my

Professor" which can be found at www.ratemyprofessor.com. This site allows the user to rate professors and see how others rated them.

"I have used it to rate my professors a couple of times and thought it was accurate and valuable information," said Vanessa Marzolf, a sophomore in hotel and tourism management.

The user simply goes to the Web site and picks the state and then searches for the school where the professor teaches.

The Web site currently offers about 383 professors from the University of Wisconsin-Stout which can be rated and reviewed.

Students can find teachers by the first initial of their last name. There are three possible ratings a professor can receive: good quality, average quality and poor quality.

A scale of 1-5 rates easiness, helpfulness and clarity. There is also a spot to leave comments.

If you know if the teacher

is still teaching or if they are retired you can mark that too.

Another feature is a little chili pepper a student can add to the rating to indicate that the teacher is "hot."

The student is also asked to enter the class they are taking with that professor.

"I have never used it, but I think it's a good idea to check out which teachers to register with," said Jessica Larsen, a junior in business.

The site is completely anonymous so the user can be completely honest.

"Rate my Professor" is free for limited access. However, a user can obtain membership for six months for \$9.99 or for one year for \$18.99.

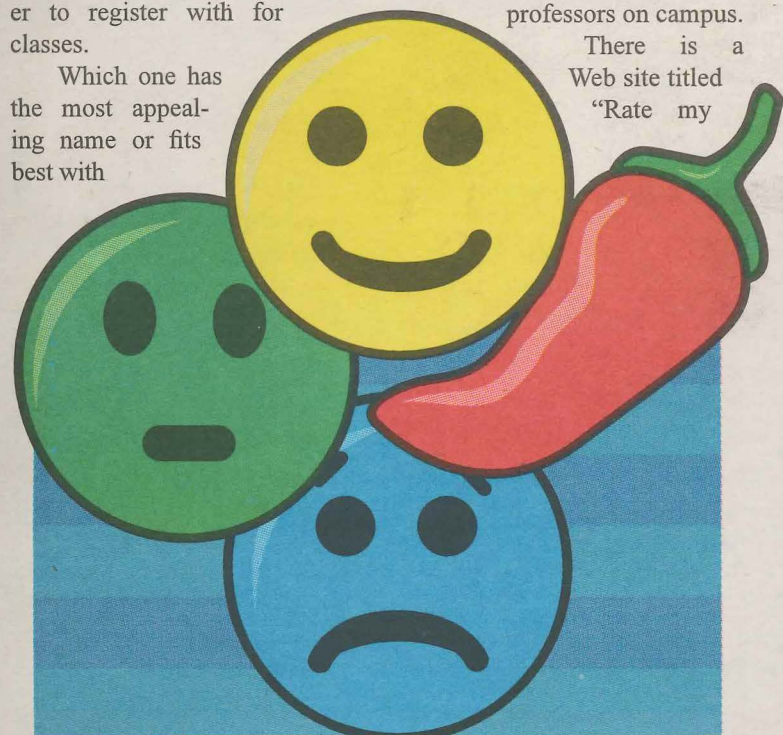
The membership allows students to see all of the ratings and rate some teachers that otherwise have restrictions. Students can also ask other raters questions about their ratings.

There are no pop up ads and

most other ads are turned off as well. The user also gets automatic access to new features when they are added.

The user is billed only once; it is not a reoccurring charge. However, the membership is not renewed automatically.

"Rate my Professor" is a convenient way to learn about the professors that you will be taking classes with and can be a good way to check out other schools and their professors.



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If you could go anywhere in the world, where would you go and why?



"I'd go to Hawaii, to go ice fishing."

Lizzie Lamplande
Retail Merchandising and Management
Freshman



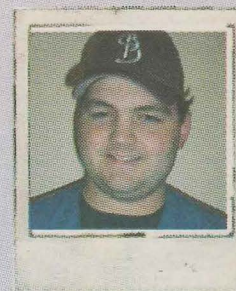
"Germany, so I can drink a lot of beer and sausage."

Adam Knoke
Graphic Communications Management
Junior



"Australia, to play with kangaroos."

Sara Casper
Retail Merchandising and Management
Senior



"New Zealand because it has pretty nice landscape and scenery."

Joe Imhold
Construction
Senior

ROTC / challenging training in college

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Hermanson took the course for two years as a class but was not contracted with ROTC.

"[In this course] basic things are learned, and it opens the door to more specialized training," said Hermanson.

Many of the commanding officers I spoke with last weekend took this course in college, although some did not.

"I wish they would have had this program when I was at Stout" said a recruiter for the Wisconsin National

Guard and UW-Stout alumni, Todd Wideman.

Wideman said that he really enjoyed this program and that if he would have had this opportunity when he was in college, he may be higher up in the line for rank and standing, or he might

even be doing something else.

"ROTC has unique challenges" said Master Sergeant Michael Butcher, the senior military instructor for UW-Stevens Point and UW-Stout.

Butcher also said that the students taking this course choose to go to class and physical training because they like it.

"We work to make good leaders: people that can remain calm during stressful situations and make good decisions," said Lieutenant Colonel Scott Bolstad, who is in charge of the ROTC program at UW-Stout.

The Colonel also added that they look for caring, confident and committed people. He said it is immensely rewarding when suddenly they get it. It's like a light bulb: it clicks.

This is the message the military teaches its future soldiers and leaders:

"Take care of your folks and they will take care of you."

My experience at the ROTC event this past weekend was one of the greatest experiences of my life. This experience changed the way I view

the military and many of the people in it. Talking to the cadets and the lieutenants gave me the biggest sense of pride to be protected by these people.

I have never encountered such a solid group of people before in my life; the ties and close bonds they share go straight to the heart and are what keep our military successfully running.

After completing these events and learning about what the military has to offer, it makes me want to be a part of such a great group of people that have such a great purpose.

I have been seriously considering joining this program to get an even better feel for what it would be like to be in the U.S. military and just to learn the leadership qualities this program has to offer.

I would suggest this course to anyone who would ask me about it. There aren't many things that can be better than having a sense of belonging and being a part of something so important.



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Ami Kriho

Entertainment Writer

On Monday Nov. 7 the People's Organization of Network Gaming (PONG) held their second Local Area Network (LAN) party of the semester. Dubbing it "The Advisement Day LAN Party," the event began at 6 p.m. and ended at 5 a.m. For eleven full hours, the walls of the JTC coed lounge were reverberating with gunshots, grenade explosions, detonative magic spells and howls of defeat and triumph.

For about the last four years, PONG has brought together gamers from all over campus. LAN parties are open to all visitors and are the perfect place to meet people with similar interests both online and offline.

Since using the school's Internet service would take up too much bandwidth, the LAN parties are run through a local intranet, which is basically a small community Internet. The intranet works by connecting all the computers to one central spot called a switch. The person at the switch customizes a server for the game.

"The intranet is good enough

for our needs," said Jonathan Vermes, a junior in telecommunications systems and the president of PONG. "It takes a lot of work to set up, but plenty of people come to help."

The two main tournaments of the night were for the games "Counter Strike: Source" and "Unreal Tournament 2004." Tournaments didn't begin until later in the party, to accommodate players with evening classes. The prizes included T-shirts and bottles of Bawls energy drink. In addition, raffles were held for hats, sports bags, posters and other items that were left over from last spring's April Fools' LAN party.

The "Counter Strike: Source" tournament started around 7:30 p.m. The tournament was set up as a three-on-three double elimination and only ended after going into triple overtime, after being tied for 22 rounds. The victors were Sean "Surtsey" Hocum, Peter "Pan" Sensenbrenner and Adam "Puppeteer" Born.

The "Unreal Tournament 2004" tournament promptly followed, just a little after midnight. The only condition for winning was obtaining 50 kills.



For eleven hours participants in PONG's latest LAN Party enjoyed plenty of hardcore gaming. Whoa ... there are a lot of computers in this picture, aren't there?

Jeremy "Yum Yums" Kruckenberg was the final champion, and second and third place honors fell to Kyle "Kyle" Houland and Brian "Brian Dog" Morgan.

Brian Morgan is also a representative of Frigid-Fusion Solutions, a company that special-

izes in Web site design for small businesses in the western Wisconsin area. His company donated a PC case to be won during next semester's April Fools' LAN Party.

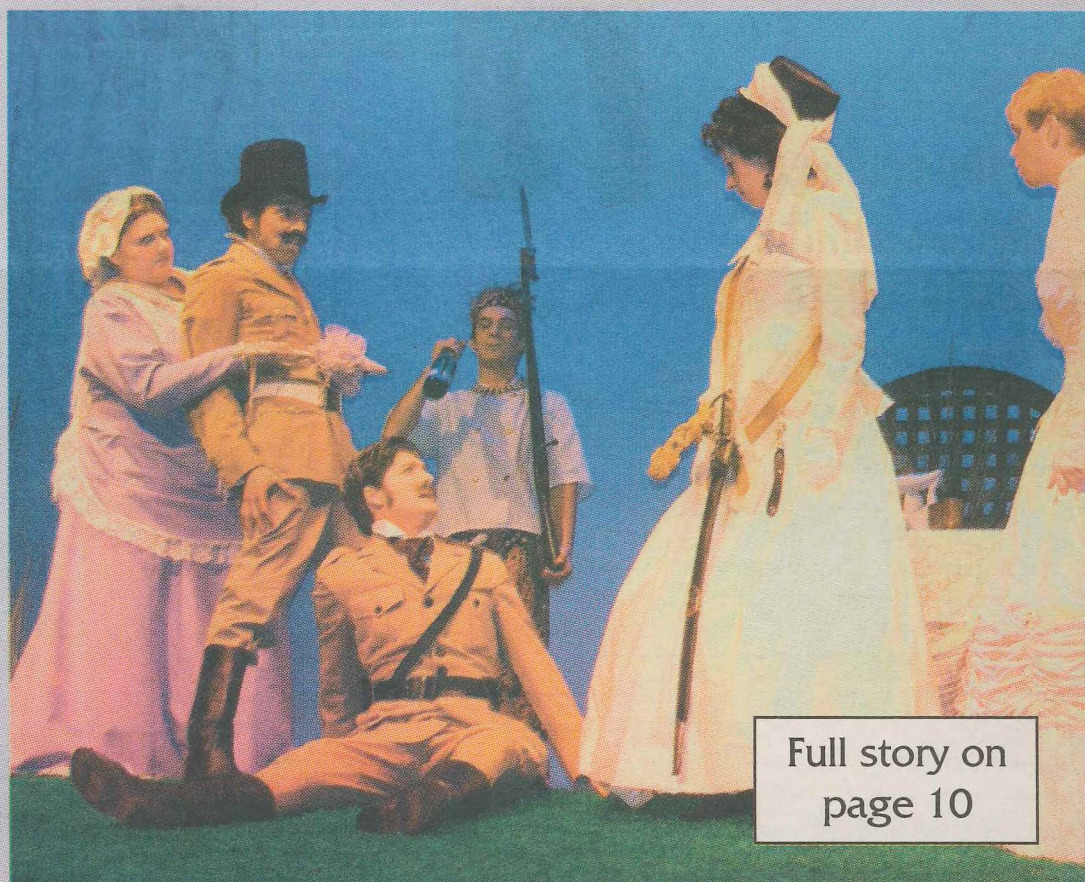
The official tournaments concluded at 1:15 a.m., but oth-

er tournaments were allowed on demand. There were also other servers available to gamers who wanted to play but not compete in tournaments.

Not only that, but different consoles were hooked up to televisions and projectors for those looking for a break from the computer. Popular games were "Halo 2," "Shadow of the Colossus," "Soul Caliber III," "Dance Dance Revolution," "Super Smash Bros. Melee" and "Resident Evil 4."

Other popular LAN games were "Warcraft III" and "Half-Life 2: Deathmatch." Though the emphasis on LAN parties is multiplayer, gamers were also allowed to bring their own single-player games. Around 60 gamers showed up, providing a solid turnout.

Riding high on "Cloud 9"



Full story on
page 10

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"Cloud 9," a play satirizing relationships and gender stereotypes, opened on the Harvey Hall stage on Wednesday, Nov. 9. More details on page 10.

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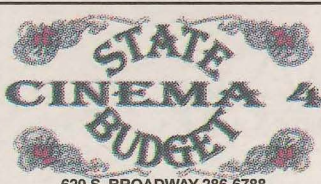
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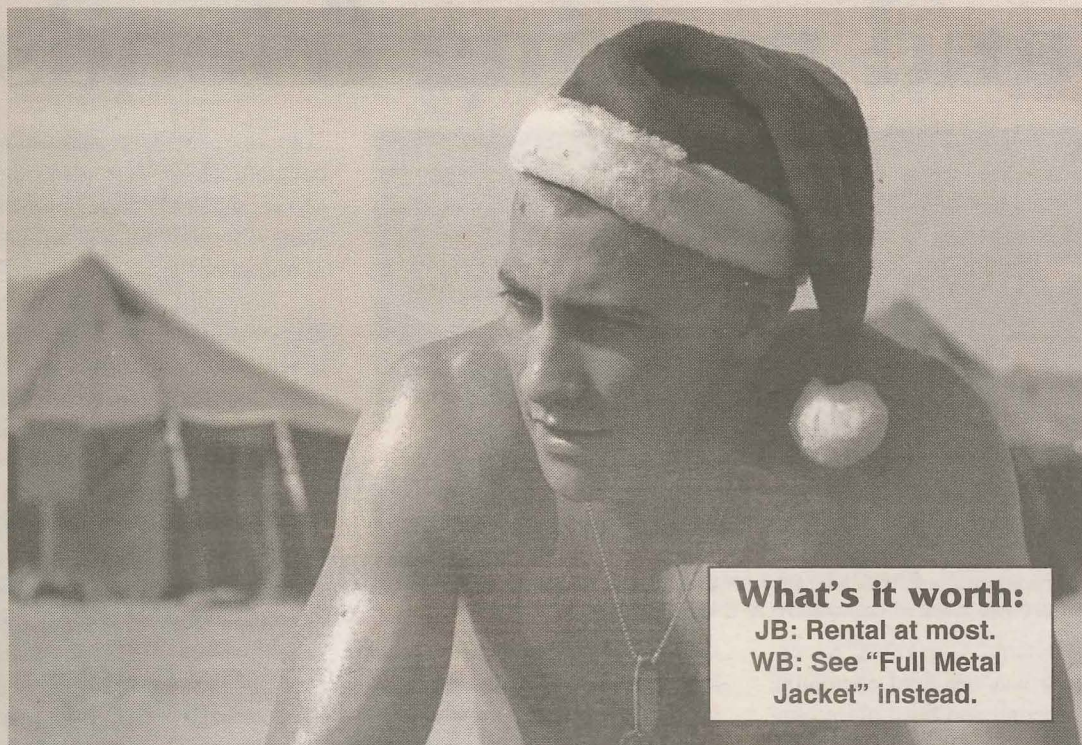
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"Jarhead" lost in desert



"Jarhead," like war, is pointless. Jake Gyllenhaal and Jamie Foxx are the headliners in this war drama set in the first Gulf War. For the Marines in this scenario, it's all about "hurry up and wait."



Jarrod Burns and William Butchee

Entertainment Writers

"Jarhead"—starring Jake Gyllenhaal, Peter Sarsgaard, Chris Cooper and Jamie Foxx—depicts the experiences of a US Marine Corps recruit during the first Gulf War. The film was adapted from the best-selling book of the same name, which is the autobiographical account of Anthony Swofford (Gyllenhaal). The movie chronicles his training and deployment, his tour of duty and his eventual return home.

WB: In general, movies about war concern themselves with the causes of war or the experiences of soldiers.

"Jarhead" starts off along these familiar lines before moving into uncharted territory and flat lining.

JB: While the film looked great and had some decent

acting, there wasn't really any substance to it.

There was barely a story, and no human connection to any of the characters is felt.

The film remains carefully objective. This may have been done with a purpose in mind, but if so, I don't understand what that purpose was.

WB: Being based on a book about true events, the film is hard to judge in terms of story.

The way that story is told can and should be judged, though.

The film opens strongly, with scenes reminiscent of Stanley Kubrick's "Full Metal Jacket."

When the boot camp sequence ends and Gyllenhaal's unit is deployed to the Gulf, the similarities between "Jarhead" and "Full Metal Jacket" end.

JB: Because of the less brutal nature of the Gulf War (especially for the Marines in Gyllenhaal's unit) there is no harsh anti-war message being carried by the plot.

The majority of the Marines' time in the desert was spent waiting for war to be declared.

"Jarhead" shows the effect of this waiting time on the soldiers, making for a less than entertaining film.

WB: Even though the charac-

ters in the film are all based on real Marines, they often seem more like stereotypes than actual people.

It is hard to feel that you actually know any of the characters, and this makes it difficult to care what happens to them.

JB: This wasn't really a character-driven story anyway. Most of "Jarhead" was made of beautiful, lingering shots of desert landscapes.

All of this inaction served to make the audience empathize with the troops who were stationed there with nothing to do but wait.

WB: The overall look of the film may be great, but it's bland. The crude soldier jokes and extremely cruel boot camp drill sergeants are the high point of the film. Though these scenes are entertaining, they're nothing that hasn't been seen before. After you're done being mesmerized by the desert landscape, you spend the rest of your time checking your watch.

JB: I can only see this being enjoyable for someone perhaps wanting to relive their experience in the Gulf, or someone who is sad they missed out on it.

Fall play opens its doors

"Cloud 9" sends up gender stereotypes

By Natalie Rathmann
Entertainment Writer

On Wednesday, Nov. 9, Harvey Hall Theatre opened its fall play, the comical social commentary, "Cloud 9." Directed by UW-Stout theatre professor James Miller, the play will run nightly at 7:30 p.m. until Nov. 12.

"Cloud 9" ridicules gender stereotypes and notions of Victorian sexuality.

The play starts in Africa in the 1880s with a lighthearted, comical feel. While on the surface all of society appears prim and proper, there are twisted and tawdry love affairs being carried on behind closed doors.

Adding to the comedy, gender and race roles are reversed in the first act.

Female actors play male characters and black actors play white characters. The intention is to make the audience rethink gender and race assumptions.

The play follows the misadventures of the local colonial governor, Clive, played by sophomore Jordan Chabalowski.

Though Clive appears to be a model citizen and family man, he is in fact pursuing an affair with his male neighbor. Meanwhile, his wife lusts after his best friend.

Chabalowski returns to the Harvey Hall stage after his suc-

cessful turn as the title character of last spring's musical, "Pippin."

"I've been involved in theatre since about the fifth grade," said Chabalowski. "I've always really loved acting."

Chabalowski enjoyed preparing for his role. He worked at honing his British accent by studying "Monty Python and the Holy Grail."

In the second act, the main characters relocate to London. The catch? It's 100 years later and the characters have only aged 25 years. At this point, the play veers off in a different direction, taking on a more serious and realistic tone and abandoning the gender bending of the first act. Only Chabalowski remains in the role he started with.

Characters take on different lovers in the second act. Clive's wife, now played by a female, leaves him and strikes out on her own to find a job and ultimately herself.

The cast and crew spent weeks preparing for opening night. Most of the costumes were designed and made by UW-Stout students enrolled in the new Theatrical Costuming class, taught by Susan King.

Tickets are \$10 and can either be purchased at the Memorial Student Center service desk or at the door an hour before show time.



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Gender bending and sexual hijinks abound in this social commentary about the absurdity of gender and race stereotypes.

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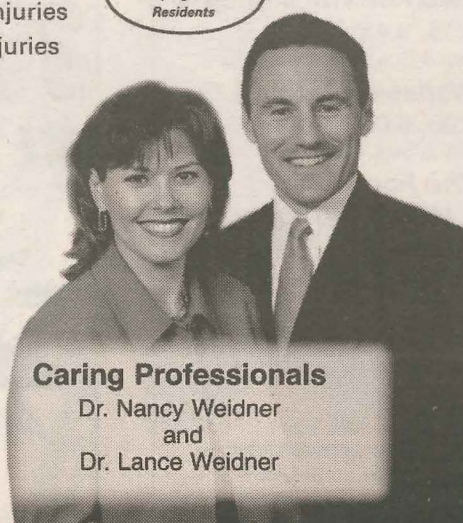
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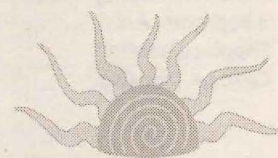
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>Sonic Void, Tailgates, 9:30 p.m., \$2.
>NYCO, The Mousetrap, 10 p.m., Free.
>Cloud 9, Harvey Hall Theatre, 7:30 p.m., \$10.
>Open Mic, Acoustic Cafe, 7 p.m., Free.

Friday, Nov. 11

>The Cruisers, Klassix, 7:30 p.m., Free.
>Half Life, Tailgates, 9:30 p.m., \$2.
>Live Jazz, Shanghai Bistro, 6:30 p.m., Free.
>Staoja + Far From Falling + Filthy Divine + Des Trophy, House of Rock, 9 p.m., \$5.

Saturday, Nov. 12

>Half Life, Tailgates, 9:30 p.m., \$2.
>The Max Allen Band, The Mousetrap, 10 p.m., Free.
>Moonshine, Klassix, 7:30 p.m., Free.
>Cloud Nine, Harvey Hall Theatre, 7:30 p.m., \$10.

Sunday, Nov. 13

>No events scheduled

Monday, Nov. 14

>Conrad Johns & the New River City Jazz Band, Stones Throw, 6-8 p.m., Free.
>Q-tet, Stones Throw, 9 p.m., Free.

Tuesday, Nov. 15

>Ozark Jubilee Christmas, Mabel Tainter Theater, 2 & 8 p.m., \$21/\$18/\$14.
>Lucky Creek Blues Band, Klassix, 7:30 p.m., Free.
>Acoustic Open Mic Night, The Mousetrap, 10 p.m., Free.

Wednesday, Nov. 16

>Ryan Peterson and Ryan Necci of Fat Maw Rooney, House of Rock, 9 p.m., Free.

Thursday, Nov. 17

>Amore, Tailgates, 9:30 p.m., \$2.
>Cloud Cult + Kid Dakota, Rec Center, 8 p.m., Free.
>Justin Vernon, House of Rock, 8-9:30 p.m., \$3.
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"Good Apollo" not so good



Andrew Ridgeway
Entertainment Writer

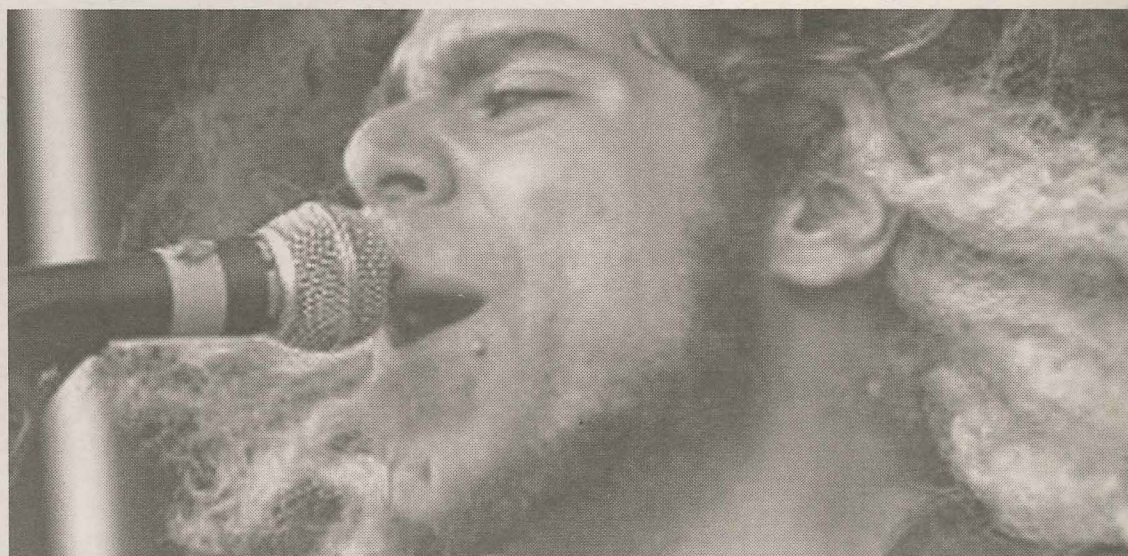
Mixing together elements of old school rock 'n' roll, epic 80s hair metal and experimental punk undertones, Coheed and Cambria have succeeded yet again in creating a sound that is new and different from anything else out there.

Their new release, "Good Apollo, I'm Burning Star IV, Volume 1: From Fear through the Eyes of Madness," certainly does bring something new to today's music scene, yet at the same time, hints at a sound whose roots you can trace to decades past.

Coheed and Cambria now have three full-length albums to their name.

Both their previous albums boast a much heavier, faster paced feel. This is an area in which their current album falls short.

Even so, they have still managed to achieve an experimental sound combining a reshaping of music from decades past and new ideas of all their own.



Source: www.images.google.com

If there were Grammys for long album titles, Coheed and Cambria would be tough to beat. "Good Apollo, I'm Burning Star IV, Volume 1: From Fear through the Eyes of Madness" is otherwise quite mediocre.

But is today's music scene ready for this new fifteen-word titled album, which improbably yet successfully brings together both an exciting new sound and a tribute to the past?

So far the answer to this question seems to be yes. "Good Apollo, I'm Burning Star IV, Volume 1: From Fear through the Eyes of Madness" has already seen considerable airtime on MTV, VH1, Fuse and mainstream radio.

The first single off the album, "Welcome Home," is a catchy song with a toe-tapping beat and a total face-melting solo.

The lyrics of the song are

about the regrets of lost love: "You could've been all I wanted, but you weren't honest. Now get in the ground."

"Welcome Home" is also the first music video off the album.

The video begins with the band performing the song on a vast expanse surrounded by dark, hazy clouds.

The point of view then goes through a picture frame into another world filled with scenes of love, betrayal and anger.

Ultimately, this video is pretty lame.

Its depictions of love are clichéd, the green screen is overused and the production

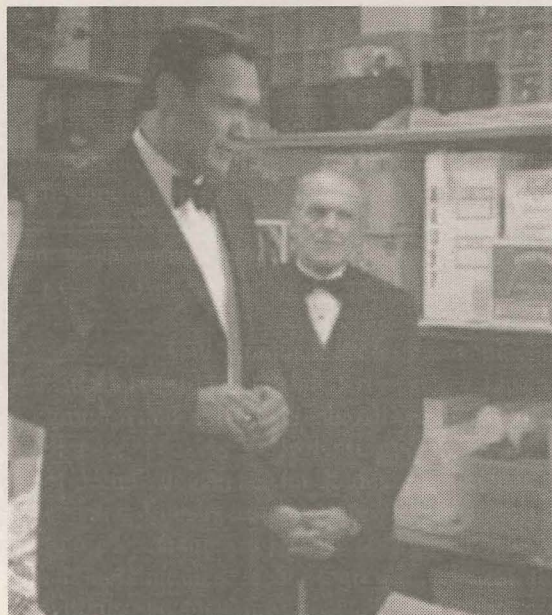
looked like it took about an afternoon to make.

Coheed and Cambria's "Good Apollo, I'm Burning Star IV, Volume 1: From Fear through the Eyes of Madness" earns a mediocre three out of five stars.

But even through it's mediocre, undoubtedly this CD will only further the success and popularity of the band—if not through the band's growing fan base, then through the general curiosity that the band's unique sound arouses in its listeners.

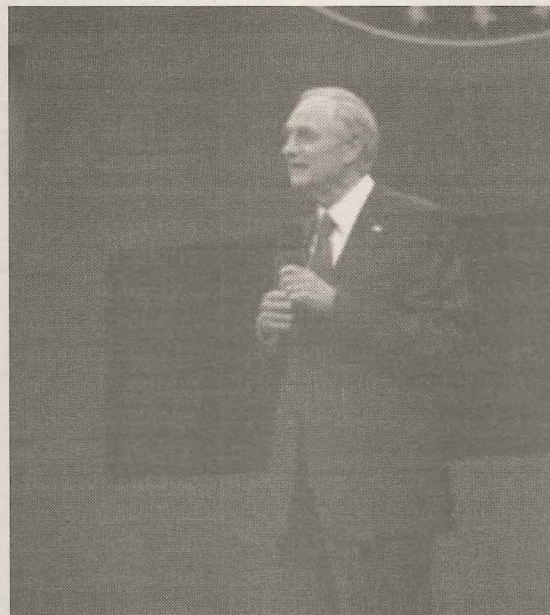
This is the kind of album that most people with either really love or really hate.

Finally ... the debates are over!



Source: www.nbc.com

Well, we've been building up the live "West Wing" debates for quite a while. Now they're over, and it's no clearer than before who will be stepping into the fictitious White House at the end of the season.



Source: www.nbc.com

real debate would mean throwing time limits out the window, leaving them to answer the moderator's questions more informally and letting voters see them as they "really are."

After striking his notes during his opening statement, Vinick proposed that the rest of the debate be conducted in the way he and Santos had discussed earlier. Santos, after a moment's hesitation, agreed.

The rule breaking served as a good vehicle to advance the characters of Vinick and Santos. Since they could now direct responses—and even questions—to each other, the proceedings became not only a presentation of what they stand for, but also of how they react under direct pressure. Vinick more than ever seemed to embody the role of the sensible elder statesman: a sweet, older man with a sense of humor. Santos gravitated more towards the confident idealist: someone sincere in his beliefs and with an eye towards the future.

Smits and Alda did an excellent job of keeping in character while debating such hot-button issues as border control, prescription drugs, health care and education.

Since many of the issues presented mirrored current real world problems, at times I forgot I was even watching a fictional debate. Both candidates came across as capable and well intentioned, so it will be interesting to see who is declared the winner.

the show was trying to achieve was in the way the commercials and sponsorship were handled.

This whole affair was heavily sponsored by American Express. This enabled fewer commercials to interrupt the debate, but what went in their place was about as irritating.

Ellen Degeneres gave a long and pointless introduction that started out as stream of consciousness comedy routine, but abruptly turned into an ad for the American Express One card.

This should have surprised no one—Degeneres is the celebrity sponsor for the card, after all—but I guess I'd expect better from someone who's normally funnier.

Fortunately, the debate itself

was interesting enough to make me forget all about Ellen.

For the most part, things were conducted like an actual debate with a couple notable exceptions. In real life, a moderator asks questions for the candidates to answer within specified time limits and under agreed conditions.

Since this event was meant as entertainment and needed to fit within its hour timeslot, the structured timed responses were deemed unfeasible. The seeds for this had been sown in the preceding week's episode, when Presidential candidates Arnold Vinick (Alan Alda) and Matthew Santos (Jimmy Smits) privately discussed what it would mean to have a "real debate."

They seemed to agree that a

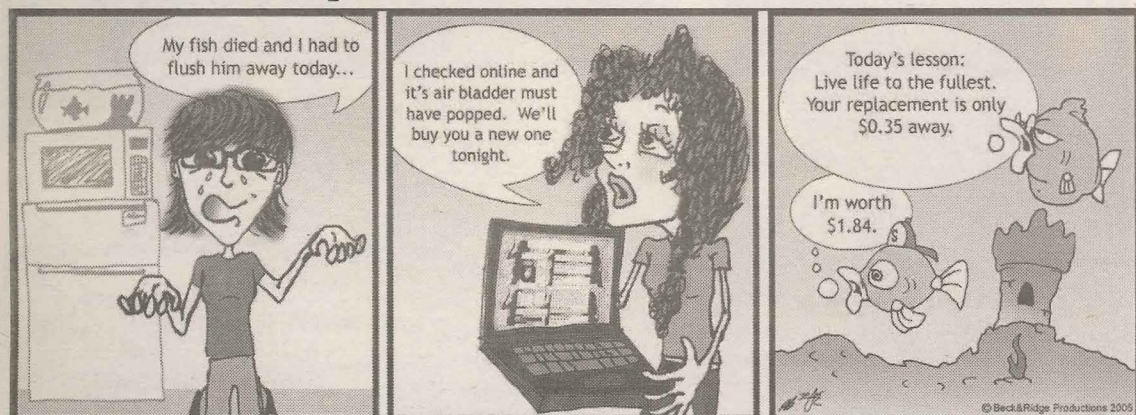


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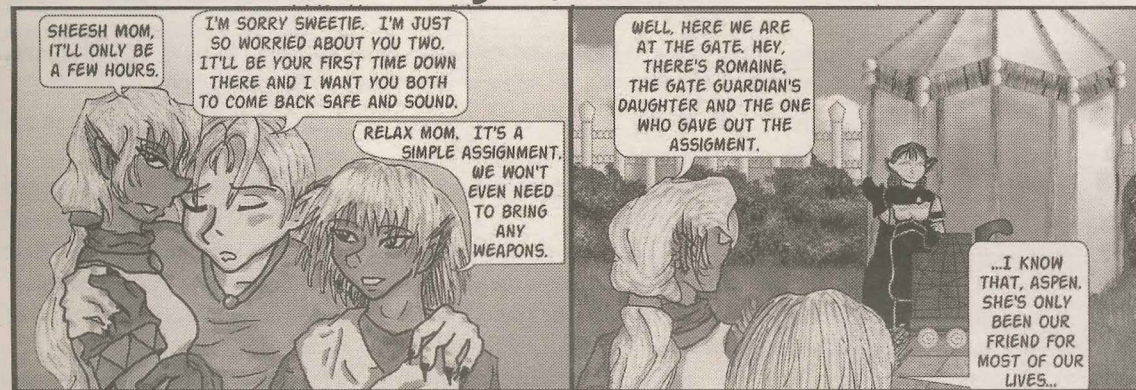
The live presidential debate for "The West Wing," which finally took place this past Sunday, Nov. 6 at 7 p.m. on NBC, was interesting to say the least. The concept of the fictional debate being performed live was a curious one, if only because it was obvious that things had to be at least somewhat scripted.

Another aspect that undermined the level of reality that

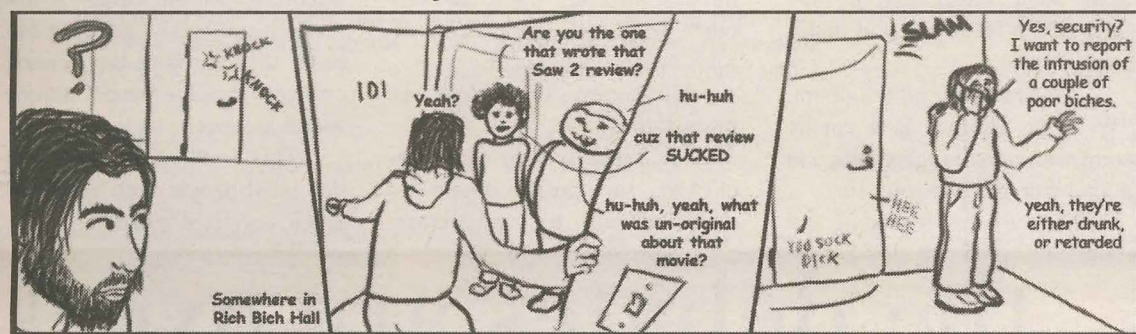
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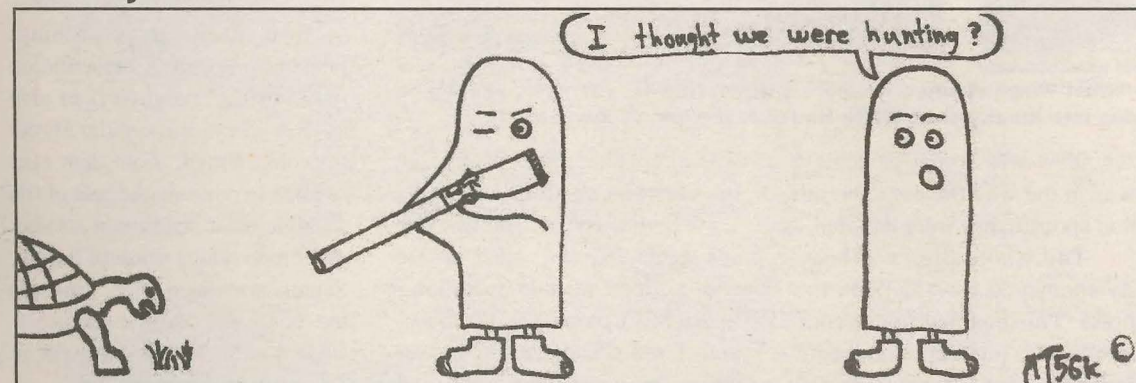
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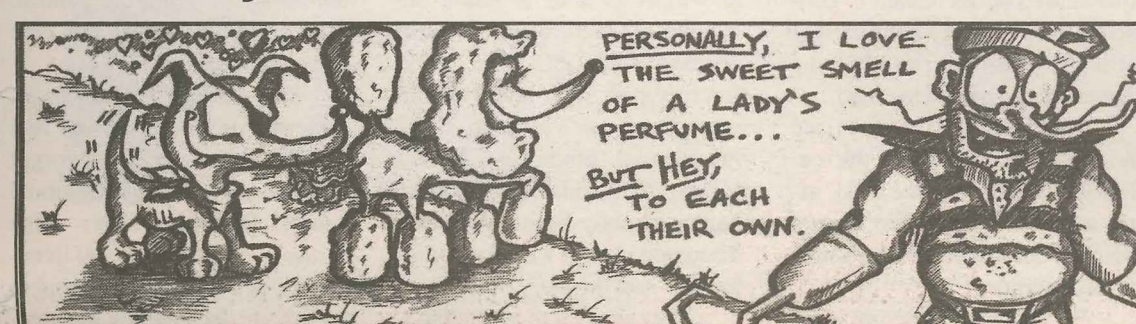
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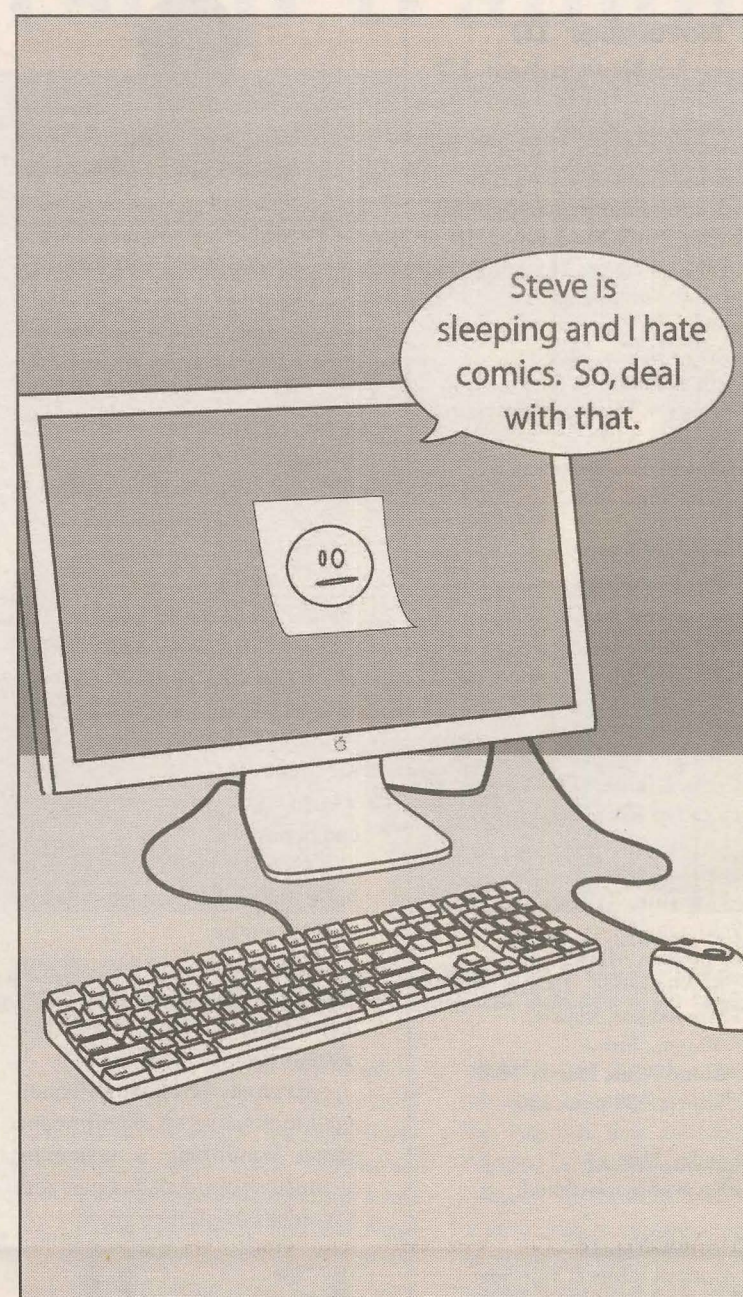
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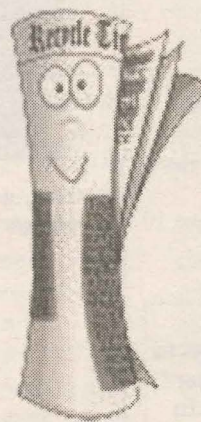
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1 1	1222 6th Avenue #2	\$295	\$295	n/a	n/a	nice location, incl. WSG & hot water, studio	8
1 1	613 13th Street #8	\$295	\$295	n/a	n/a	nice location, incl. WSG & hot water, studio	8
1 1	703 1/2 3rd Street East #2	\$295	\$295	n/a	n/a	great location, includes WSG & heat	A
1 1	703 1/2 3rd Street East #3	\$295	\$295	n/a	n/a	great location, includes WSG & heat	A
1 1	802 6th Avenue #3	\$315	\$315	n/a	n/a	Includes all utilities parking	6
1 1	115 1/2 West Main Street	\$320	\$320	\$395	\$395	Close to campus and downtown	3
1 1	1203 1/2 14th Avenue East	\$325	\$325	n/a	n/a	upper duplex, nice size rooms	D
1 1	611 13th Street #7	\$325	\$325	n/a	n/a	nice location, incl. WSG & hot water, studio	8
1 1	400 1/2 Main Street #3	\$330	\$330	n/a	n/a	WSG+HW inc. storage, close to campus	6
1 1	703 1/2 3rd Street East #4	\$330	\$330	n/a	n/a	great location, includes WSG & heat	A
1 1	703 1/2 3rd Street East #5	\$330	\$330	n/a	n/a	Great location, utilities Included Parking	A
1 1	703 1/2 3rd Street East #9	\$330	\$330	n/a	n/a	great location, includes WSG & heat	A
1 1	803 Wilson Avenue #5	\$335	\$335	n/a	n/a	Great location, utilities Included Parking	8
1 1	400 1/2 Main Street #4	\$340	\$340	n/a	n/a	WSG+HW inc. storage, close to campus	6
1 1	803 Wilson Avenue #4	\$345	\$345	n/a	n/a	Great location, utilities Included Parking	8
1 1	400 1/2 Main Street #5	\$350	\$350	n/a	n/a	WSG+HW inc. storage, close to campus	6
1 1	803 Wilson Avenue #2	\$350	\$350	n/a	n/a	Great location, utilities Included Parking	8
1 1	803 Wilson Avenue #6	\$360	\$360	n/a	n/a	Great location, util. Incl. Parking	8
1 1	803 Wilson Avenue #8	\$360	\$360	n/a	n/a	Great location, util. Incl. Parking	8
1 1	703 1/2 3rd Street East #6	\$370	\$370	n/a	n/a	great location, includes WSG & heat	A
1 1	1218 1/2 9th Street	\$375	\$375	n/a	n/a	gas heat, upper duplex, great location	D
1 1	1221 7th Street	\$390	\$390	n/a	n/a	Inc. heat, WSG, hot water, very large & nice	4
1 1	421 Wilson Avenue #4	\$395	\$395	n/a	n/a	Inc. heat, WSG, hot water, parking	6
1 1	803 Wilson Avenue #3	\$395	\$395	n/a	n/a	Great location, util. Incl. Parking	8
1 1	333 1/2 Main Street #1	\$400	\$400	n/a	n/a	Inc. heat, WSG, downtown location	A
1 1	333 1/2 Main Street #2	\$400	\$400	n/a	n/a	Inc. heat, WSG, downtown location	A
1 1	803 Wilson Avenue #1	\$475	\$475	n/a	n/a	Great location, util. Incl. Parking	8
2 1	1506 1/2 6th Street	\$330	\$165	\$428	\$214	enclosed front porch, great location	D
2 1	1218 9th Street	\$350	\$175	n/a	n/a	gas heat, lower duplex, great location	D
2 1	113 West Main Street	\$360	\$180	\$458	\$229	Close to campus and downtown	3
2 1	921 Main Street #2	\$360	\$180	\$500	\$250	Good location, parking	4
2 1	921 Main Street #4	\$360	\$180	\$500	\$250	Good location, parking	4
2 1	1203 14th Avenue East	\$375	\$188	n/a	n/a	lower duplex, gas heat	D
2 1	115 West Main Street	\$380	\$190	\$500	\$250	Close to campus and downtown	3
2 1	119 West Main Street #2	\$380	\$190	\$450	\$225	Close to campus and downtown, parking	3
2 1	2121 5th Street #A	\$395	\$198	n/a	n/a	Inc. WSG, washer dryer	4
2 1	2121 5th Street #B	\$395	\$198	n/a	n/a	Inc. WSG, washer dryer	4
2 1	2121 5th Street #C	\$395	\$198	n/a	n/a	Inc. WSG, washer dryer	4
2 1	2121 5th Street #D	\$395	\$198	n/a	n/a	Inc. WSG, washer/dryer	4
2 1	915 1/2 Main Street	\$395	\$198	\$495	\$248	good location in duplex, w parking	D
2 1	208 1/2 13th Avenue West	\$400	\$200	n/a	n/a	gas heat, next to campus	D
2 1	620 15th Avenue	\$400	\$200	\$585	\$293	upper duplex, very nice close to campus	D
2 1	1415 4th Street West	\$410	\$205	\$540	\$270	gas heat, garage, modern, location	D
2 1	1506 6th Street	\$420	\$210	\$590	\$295	huge bedrooms, enclosed front porch	D
2 1	414 1/2 12th Avenue West	\$430	\$215	\$540	\$270	large, great location, parking	D
2 1	619 13th Avenue	\$430	\$215	n/a	n/a	Inc. heat WSG hot water, excellent location	4
2 1	1221 1/2 7th Street	\$440	\$220	n/a	n/a	Inc. heat, WSG, hot water, excellent location	4
2 1	619 1/2 13th Avenue	\$460	\$230	n/a	n/a	Inc. heat WSG hot water, excellent location	4
2 1	1502 10th Street	\$500	\$250	\$650	\$325	garage, washer/dryer, great house	H
2 1	620 1/2 9th Avenue	\$500	\$250	\$660	\$330	close to campus, large nice rooms	3
2 1	802 6th Avenue #6	\$520	\$260	n/a	n/a	Includes all utilities parking	6
2 1	802 6th Avenue #5	\$525	\$263	n/a	n/a	Includes all utilities parking	6
2 1	421 Wilson Avenue #1	\$540	\$270	n/a	n/a	Inc. heat, WSG, hot water, parking	6
2 1	421 Wilson Avenue #2	\$540	\$270	n/a	n/a	Inc. heat, WSG, hot water, parking	6
2 1	421 Wilson Avenue #5	\$540	\$270	n/a	n/a	Inc. heat, WSG, hot water, parking	6
2 1	421 Wilson Avenue #6	\$540	\$270	n/a	n/a	Inc. heat, WSG, hot water, parking	6
2 1	147 1/2 Main Street #C	\$600	\$300	n/a	n/a	Inc. Utilities, great location, washer/dryer	A
3 1	1503 7th Street	\$570	\$190	n/a	n/a	Lower duplex, Available 8/01/06	D
3 1	1311 1/2 South Broadway	\$450	\$150	\$535	\$178	next to campus, washer/dryer	D
3 1	1311 South Broadway	\$550	\$183	\$700	\$233	washer/dryer next to campus	D
3 1	119 West Main Street #3	\$525	\$175	\$675	\$225	parking and convenient location, nice rooms	3
3 1	1312 6th Street	\$550	\$183	n/a	n/a	close to campus, parking	H
3 1	1415 1/2 4th Street West	\$600	\$200	\$810	\$270	gas heat, garage, great location	D
3 1	208 13th Avenue West	\$600	\$200	n/a	n/a	Lrg. Rooms, gas heat, parking	D
3 1	921 Main Street #3	\$600	\$200	\$765	\$255	Good location, parking, economical	4
3 1	802 6th Avenue #4	\$675	\$225	n/a	n/a	utilities included, parking	6
3 1	147 1/2 Main Street #B	\$780	\$260	n/a	n/a	Inc. Utilities, W/D great location, very large	A
4 1	1606 10th Street	\$550	\$138	\$700	\$175	washer/dryer, new siding	H
4 1	1120 15th Avenue	\$600	\$150	\$720	\$180	washer/dryer excellent shape/lrg rooms	D
4 1	1809 6th Street	\$600	\$150	\$810	\$203	washer/dryer, gas heat, garage	H
4 1	309 14th Avenue West	\$600	\$150	\$750	\$188	WD good location, gas heat	H
4 1	1115 14th Avenue	\$620	\$155	\$800	\$200	gas heat/garage/large rooms/ W/D hookup	H
4 1	321 13th Avenue West	\$620	\$155	\$790	\$198	Super location, washer/dryer	H
4 1	1215 10th Street	\$700	\$175	\$820	\$205	W/D gas heat/storage, parking, garage	H

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4 1	921 Main Street #1	\$700	\$175	\$870	\$218	good location, economical
4 2	1319 8th Street	\$775	\$194	\$975	\$244	close to campus, large nice rooms
4 2	1509 South Broadway	\$800	\$200	n/a	n/a	lrg. House, nice location
4 1	1808 5th Street	\$800	\$200	\$980	\$245	large rooms, W/D parking, location
4 1	915 Main Street	\$800	\$200	\$980	\$245	good location in duplex, w parking
4 2	1620 6th Street	\$850	\$213	\$1,030	\$258	great house, W/D hook-up, gas heat
4 1.5	414 14th Avenue #1	\$880	\$220	\$1,030	\$258	mod., high eff. Gas heat, W/D a/c, avail. 8/01/06
4 1.5	414 14th Avenue #2	\$880	\$220	\$1,030	\$258	modern, high eff. Gas heat, W/D a/c
4 1.5	414 14th Avenue #3	\$880	\$220	\$1,030	\$258	modern, high eff. Gas heat, W/D a/c
4 1.5	414 14th Avenue #4	\$880	\$220	\$1,030	\$258	modern, high eff. Gas heat, W/D a/c
4 1.5	414 14th Avenue #5	\$880	\$220	\$1,030	\$258	modern, high eff. Gas heat, W/D a/c
4 1.5	414 14th Avenue #6	\$880	\$220	\$1,030	\$258	modern, high eff. Gas heat, W/D a/c
4 1.5	414 14th Avenue #7	\$880	\$220	\$1,030	\$258	modern, high eff. Gas heat, W/D a/c
4 1.5	414 14th Avenue #8	\$880	\$220	\$1,030	\$258	modern, high eff. Gas heat, W/D a/c
4 1	1114 7th Street	\$900	\$225	n/a	n/a	great location, close to campus, garage
4 1	121 1/2 12th Avenue West	\$900	\$225	\$1,120	\$280	large apartment, super location washer/dryer
4 1.5	121 12th Avenue West	\$900	\$225	\$1,090	\$273	large apartment, super location washer/dryer
4 1	2235 South Broadway	\$900	\$225	\$1,100	\$275	large house, parking W/D, great home
4 2	1702 6th Street	\$950	\$238	\$1,140	\$285	lots of space, great location, W/D
4 2	602 12th Avenue East	\$1,000	\$250	\$1,210	\$303	new large bedrooms, close to campus
4 2	1301 9th Street	\$1,020	\$255	\$1,270	\$318	beautiful house, garage, location, washer/dryer
4 2	1317 8th Street	\$1,040	\$260	\$1,250	\$313	washer/dryer deck good location
4 2	332 1/2 Main Street	\$1,040	\$260	\$1,240	\$310	Huge washer/dryer, deck downtown, parking
4 2	1021 8th Street	\$1,100	\$275	\$1,345	\$336	beautiful house w/decks close to campus W/D
5 1	1121 6th Avenue	\$600	\$120	\$860	\$172	washer/dryer gas heat
5 1	1115 17th Avenue	\$875	\$175	\$1,085	\$217	very lrg. Rooms W/D hook-up
5 2	512 19th Avenue West	\$750	\$150	\$1,000	\$200	large, parking, 2 family rooms
5 2	516 19th Avenue West	\$750	\$150	\$1,000	\$200	large, parking, 2 family rooms
5 1	1115 6th Street	\$900	\$180	\$1,080	\$216	W/D, updated, right on campus, very desirable
5 1	1320 6th Street	\$820	\$164	\$1,040	\$208	washer/dryer great location
5 2	2006 5th Street #A	\$840	\$168	\$1,000	\$200	washer/dryer very large, parking
5 2	405 20th Avenue	\$850	\$170	\$1,030	\$206	great house washer/dryer garage, modern
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5 2	814 10th Street	\$925	\$185	\$1,205	\$241	lots of rooms on 2 levels, upgrades W/D
5 2	607 13th Avenue East	\$950	\$190	\$1,140	\$228	huge rooms, location, parking washer/dryer
5 1.5	1107 2nd Street West	\$1,000	\$200	\$1,260	\$252	good layout/close to campus
5 2	2303 3rd Street	\$1,025	\$205	\$1,305	\$261	detached garage, large, washer/dryer
5 2.5	1502 7th Street	\$1,050	\$210	\$1,250	\$231	washer/dryer, remodeled
5 2	2006 5th Street #B	\$1,100	\$220	\$1,380	\$276	newer W/D, has everything
5 2	2006 5th Street #C	\$1,100	\$220	\$1,380	\$276	newer W/D, has everything
5 2.5	902 Main Street	\$1,125	\$225	\$1,405	\$281	great location, W/D, large rooms, fenced yard
5 2	1803 7th Street	\$1,150	\$230	\$1,430	\$286	washer/dryer parking, good location, large
5 2	321 14th Avenue West	\$1,250	\$250	\$1,500	\$300	close to campus, washer/dryer great house
5 2	1708 6th Street #B	\$1,325	\$265	\$1,545	\$309	washer/dryer, parking, large bedrooms
6 1.5	221 4th Street West	\$700	\$117	\$960	\$160	washer/dryer gas heat, north campus
6 2	1602 8th Street	\$900	\$150	\$1,100	\$183	washer/dryer storage gas heat
6 2	504 10th Street	\$900	\$150	\$1,180	\$197	W/D hook-ups, gas heat, large rms.
6 2	415 13th Avenue West	\$1,050	\$175	\$1,330	\$222	modern house very lrg. rooms, good location
6 2	1603 7th Street	\$1,170	\$195	\$1,450	\$242	washer/dryer new carpet, very nice
6 2	1415 1/2 8th Street	\$1,200	\$200	\$1,480	\$247	fabulous newer construction washer/dryer
6 2	321 20th Avenue #A	\$1,200	\$200	\$1,445	\$241	new, large bedrooms, washer/dryer
6 2	321 20th Avenue #B	\$1,200	\$200	\$1,445	\$241	new, large bedrooms, washer/dryer
6 2	321 20th Avenue #C	\$1,200	\$200	\$1,445	\$241	new, large bedrooms, washer/dryer
6 2	321 20th Avenue #D	\$1,200	\$200	\$1,445	\$241	new, large bedrooms, washer/dryer
6 2	602 1/2 12th Avenue	\$1,200	\$200	\$1,480	\$247	great location, washer/dryer, very nice, parking
6 2	1714 8th Street	\$1,230	\$205	\$1,500	\$250	large deck, gas heat, washer/dryer
6 2	115 1/2 17th Avenue West	\$1,250	\$208	\$1,510	\$252	newer unit, great location washer/dryer
6 2	115 17th Avenue West	\$1,260	\$210	\$1,510	\$252	location, washer/dryer Parking
6 2	121 1/2 13th Avenue West	\$1,260	\$210	\$1,540	\$257	large, super location, washer/dryer, newer
6 2	408 18th Avenue East	\$1,560	\$260	\$1,800	\$300	washer/dryer, close to campus, great home,
7 2	220 12th Avenue West	\$1,190	\$170	\$1,415	\$202	great location, washer/dryer
7 2	1321 2nd Street West	\$1,400	\$200	\$1,700	\$243	large house, 1 blk. from campus
7 2	820 11th Street	\$1,600	\$229	\$1,900	\$271	newly remodeled, washer/dryer, fabulous house
8 2.5	121 12th Ave W	\$1,800	\$225	\$2,010	\$251	large house, W/D. across from stadium

Intramurals perk up cold months

By Matt Edison
Sports Writer

Intramurals have been running since school started. There are separate blocks that offer different sports throughout the year.

For example, the first block offers more outdoor activities such as softball, flag football and sand volleyball, while the second block offers more indoor activities due to the change in seasons.

The current block is block two, and the sports being played include: basketball, floor hockey, singles tennis, kickball, volleyball, bowling, singles pool and doubles racquetball.

Block two will end on Dec. 15 just before finals week, with no sports being played during finals week.

"The participation on campus for intramurals is huge," said Eric Unger, the intramurals coordinator.

There is a fee that a team must pay in order to play. It really isn't that much per person, if you get enough players to split the cost with. The cost is approximately \$4 per person if you get a team of ten or so.

Each sport has a different cost, for example, basketball is \$40 per team and floor hockey is \$35 per team.

There are also different levels of competition for each sport such as A, B and C. A is the higher level of competition, B is intermediate and C is for a team that just wants to have fun. Each team that wins the championship gets a T-shirt.

"Intramural sports are a great way to compete and to have fun with my buddies," said Joe Murphy, a sophomore.

Teams need to have a team

captain and must attend the required meeting before the season starts.

All of the sports have certain requirements that must be met before a person can participate, so if you are interested contact the Recreation Center.

Each of these sports offers different options such as one gender teams or coed teams; a mixture of male and females.

If you don't get your whole squad on the roster at the beginning of signups, participants can always add more players down the road. However, all players must be UW-Stout students in order to partake in the sports.

So if you are thinking "Why should I participate in an intramural sport?" here are some of the benefits of intramurals: they improve emotional well being, reduce stress, build character, are a good way to meet new friends and a great way to get involved.

"I started out playing intramural sports to have fun, but now it turned into a job, as I am the intramural coordinator for Stout," said Unger.

Intramurals can help students stay active indoors as the temperatures outside plummet.

If you missed out on block two sports, block three might offer some of the same activities. Block three will offer: ice hockey, basketball, dodge ball, volleyball, singles racquetball, bowling, pool and pick'em.

U-Rec also hopes to eventually get a swim meet together for all those swimmers out there.

If sports are your thing, but you're not an athlete pick'em may be a good option.

What is pick'em? Pick'em is

a program that is offered through U-Rec that consists of a student choosing the most winning teams in that particular week of college sports. The person who chooses the most correct wins.

The registration date for

block three is going to take place Jan. 30-Feb. 10 so interested parties have plenty of time to plan which sports that they want to compete in. Each of the sports will have registration slot.

In order to find out more

information about the various upcoming sports or for registration information students can visit the intramural website at www.imsports.uwstout.edu.



Source: <http://matrix.uwstout.edu/univerec>

The UW-Stout flag football team "Car Ramrod" included Kristin Becker, Bradach Close, Jason Dorschner, Nicole Falkowski, Jarrod Kuehn, Pat McLaughlin, Sarah Roth, Ann Schachtner, Jason Set, Samantha Strunk, Ramona Vann and Andrew Wind.

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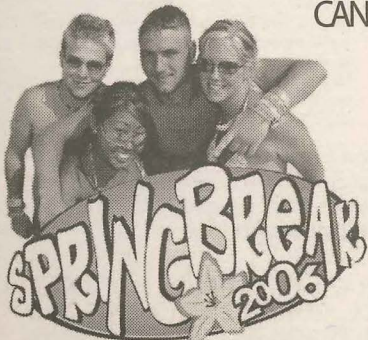
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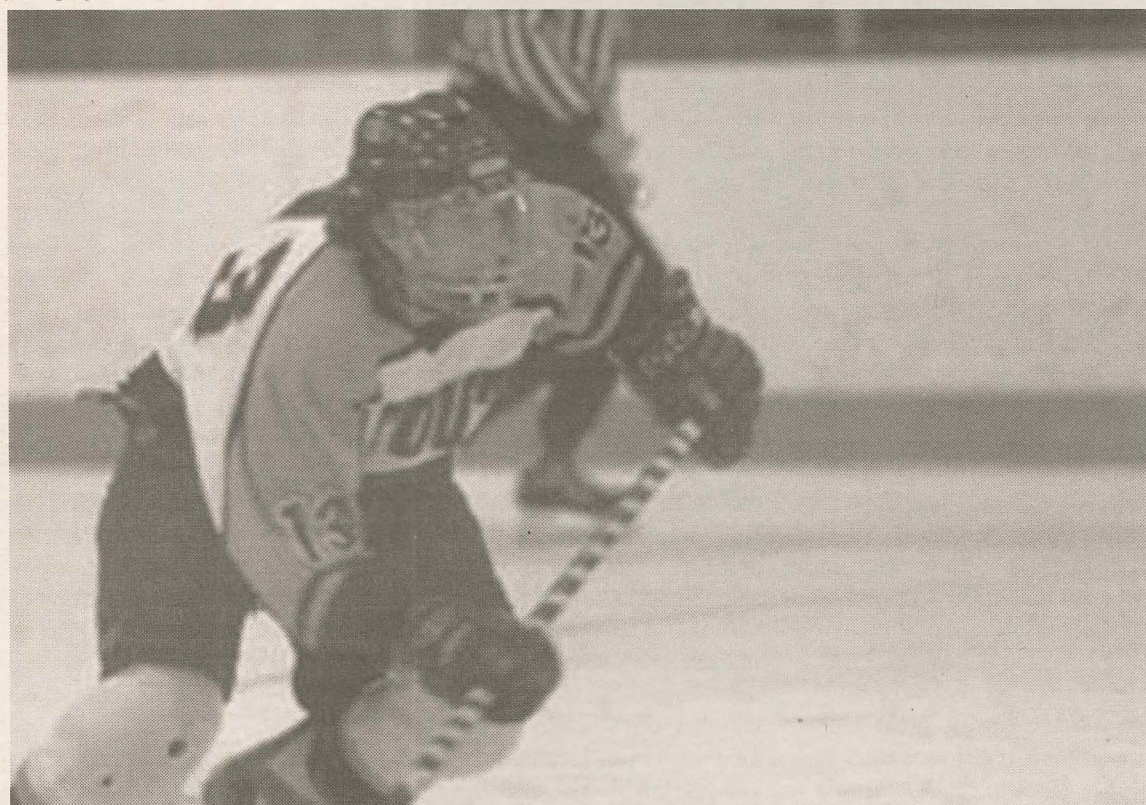
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Hockey/ Blue Devils dealt loss

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Source: www.uwstout.edu/athletics

The University of Wisconsin-Stout men's hockey team will host Augsburg College on Friday and St. John's University on Saturday. The games start at 7:30 p.m. and will be played at the Dunn County Ice Arena.

improve with experience.

"We're pretty young, and we made some dumb mistakes," said Watkins. "We worked hard, but penalties were made in inopportune times."

UW-Stout outshot St. Olaf 29-26 as the Oles goalie Jeff Wilde finished the night with 27 saves and Blue Devil Mike Stone snagged 21.

Now, looking forward to the remaining three of a four game home stretch, the Blue Devils will attempt to cover their wounds.

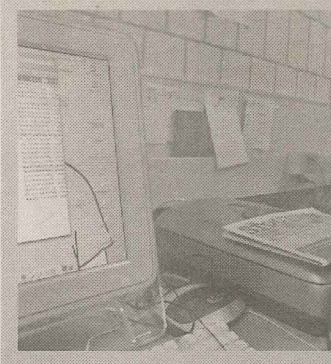
UW-Stout returns to battle Friday, Nov. 11, as the team faces Augsburg College, and then on Saturday they will compete against nationally ranked St. John's University.

Friday, Nov. 18, the Blue Devils open their Northern Collegiate Hockey Association and Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Conference schedules hosting the University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire which should prove to be a battle.

Writers Wanted

The Stoutonia is currently looking for sports writers to join the sports staff.

Stop by our office if you are interested in working for us. Otherwise go to: <http://stoutonia.uwstout.edu> for more information.



STOUTONIA'S Athlete OF THE Week

Heidi Schultz earned Athlete of the Week honors for the second time this season for her efforts this season as midfielder for the University of Wisconsin-Stout women's soccer team.

The senior business administration major was named to the CoSIDA/ESPN The Magazine Academic All-District V first team last week.

Throughout her career as

a member of the soccer team Schultz has made her presence known.

She has started every game with the Blue Devils since her freshman year totaling 70 consecutive games.

Last season Schultz finished with 70 shots, 10 goals and 20 assists.

As a student/athlete Schultz has also maintained a 3.95 grade point average and received the UW-Stout

Chancellor's Award for Academic Excellence.

Schultz was named to the Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Conference Scholastic Honor Roll, is a UW-Stout Foundation Scholarship recipient and is a member of the National Honor Society.

The Facts:

Senior
River Falls, Wisconsin
Business Administration
Schultz was named to the
CoSIDA/ESPN The Magazine
Academic All-District V
first team for her efforts as a mid-
fielder for the Blue Devils



Heidi Schultz
Soccer

Sports Briefs

The University of Wisconsin-Stout men's and women's basketball teams will host the annual Blue Devil Basketball Bash Wednesday, Nov. 16 at 7 p.m. in Johnson Fieldhouse. The event is free of charge and will have many prizes given away including a chance for a UW-Stout student to make a half court shot for a free semester of tuition. There will be contests for people of all ages.

During the evening, the men's and women's teams will each play a ten-minute intra-squad scrimmage in order to give spectators the chance to meet the players and check out the teams.

The Blue Devils open their season Friday, Nov. 18 on the road. Their first home game is Sunday, Nov. 27 with the women playing at 1 p.m. and the men scheduled to begin at 3 p.m.

UW-Stout outside hitter Jenny McDermid, was an honorable mention pick to the All-Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (WIAC) volleyball team.

McDermid led the Blue Devil squad in hitting percent-

age with a .233, while tallying 2.50 kills per game, with a total of 315 in 126 games. McDermid is a two-sport standout, in both volleyball and basketball, that also finished with 28 solo blocks and 78 block assists for an average of 0.85 blocks per game.

The Blue Devils finished the season at 17-18 overall, 3-5 in the WIAC.

Heidi Schultz, a midfielder for the UW-Stout women's soccer team was named to the CoSIDA/ESPN The Magazine Academic All-District V first team. Schultz played an integral role for the team this season as team captain and has made her presence known aiding in a defense that has allowed only 10 goals and has made 10 shutouts this season.

Schultz has also started every game for the Blue Devils since her freshman year, which amounts to a total of 70 consecutive games.

The Blue Devil football team limited the University of Wisconsin-Whitewater football team to 342 net yards, but it wasn't enough as the Warhawks downed UW-Stout 32-10 Saturday at Don & Nona Williams Stadium.

The Blue Devils defense

was unable to stop UW-Whitewater's Justin Beaver as he tallied 207 yards and two touchdowns on 47 carries for the Warhawks.

UW-Stout's Evan Larsen made a 40-yard field goal to kickoff the scoring for the Blue Devils. Then Jesse Wendt followed it up with a 42-yard touchdown, which amounted to all of UW-Stout's scoring of the game. The Blue Devils finished the game with 163 offensive yards.

With the Warhawks defeat of both UW-Stout and UW-Eau Claire, the team clinched the Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Conference title and a berth to the 2005 NCAA Division III playoffs.

The Blue Devils will return to action Saturday, Nov. 12, when they travel to UW-Stevens Point for their final regular season game.

The UW-Stout men's soccer club competes in the national tournament next week in Tuscaloosa, AL.

During the season the team plays in a league against teams from both Michigan and Wisconsin.

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The Blue Devils were downed 32-10 by UW-Whitewater on Saturday during the Senior Day/Hall of Fame Game. On Saturday the team will travel to UW-Stevens Point.

MEN'S
CROSS COUNTRY

The UW-Stout men will next compete in the National Collegiate Athletic Association Division II Regionals.

WOMEN'S
CROSS COUNTRY

The Blue Devils will compete on Saturday Nov. 12 at the NCAA Division III Regionals in Peoria, Illinois.



BASKETBALL

Both teams will participate in the Annual Blue Devil Basketball Bash on Wednesday No. 16 to kickoff the season.

HOCKEY
(2-2)

The UW-Stout hockey team went 0-1 on the week. The Blue Devils will play Augsburg College on Friday and St. John's University Saturday.



Stout rugby earns third at Final Four tournament

By Rachel Wick
Sports Editor

The University of Wisconsin-Stout men's rugby team took third place last weekend at the Midwest Division 2 Final Four at Ohio State University to bring its season to a close.

After suffering a 27-24 loss to Ohio University, the team stormed back to defeat the University of Illinois Saturday night 37-17.

The University of Milwaukee clinched the overall championship, defeating both University of Illinois and Ohio University.

"It was a great weekend and a great experience to compete with the nationally ranked teams in the country," said team president Max Zukowski. "The opportunities for freshmen and second team players to have these experiences will provide a

strong backbone to a UW-Stout rugby program that is proving to be a national caliber team year after year."

The weekend marked the team's fourth trip to the Midwest Final Four in five years and followed up a strong performance of clinching the 2005 Wisconsin state championship.

The team then moved on to the Midwest playoffs, where they defeated Iowa State University 20-0 and Eastern Illinois University 15-12, to win their pool of the Midwest Sweet 16 and advance to the Final Four tournament in Columbus, OH.

"Finishing 7-2 overall on the season was a great comeback," said team vice president Mark Corbett. "Last season we came up short of the state title and Midwest playoffs, and this year we battled to clench third in

the Midwest, one game short of nationals. We had nearly all the same talent last season and now we finally brought it all together and played the game as one."

Corbett contributed a portion of the team's success this season to the newly acquired coaching staff of Jeff "Bluey" Hickman and UW-Stout Alumnus Jake "Bunny" Dahn.

"They are great assets to the team, and with their help, Stout rugby has solid potential to make it to nationals next season," said Corbett.

The rugby team will return in full force next season, ready to make another strong run at the national title, returning 13 veteran starters and losing just three key players to graduation.

Zukowski agrees that the UW-Stout rugby team will return a hard-hitting team next season.

"Expectations for next year are extremely high," said Zukowski. "Many sophomores took a big step into leadership roles this past season, and next year we should see the effect of experienced leaders once again."

As a result of advancing to the Final Four this year, the rugby club will have the opportunity to move up to Division 1 playoffs next fall if they win all their Midwest conference matches.

According to Zukowski, the 11 Wisconsin Collegiate rugby teams have always played at a very competitive level which keeps teams prepared for the toughest competition come play-off time.

He adds that hopefully UW-Stout will be on top once again next fall, but be preparing for a national championship match.



Photo source: Max Zukowski

The UW-Stout season. Overall, the team finished the year with a record of 7-2.

Blue Devils drop game to St. Olaf

By Ross Ehrenberg
Sports Writer

Saturday, Nov. 5, the University of Wisconsin-Stout men's hockey team hoped to raise spirits, after suffering their first loss of the season Friday, 7-4 to Gustavus Adolphus. Unfortunately, those hopes were to no avail as the Blue Devils were defeated 5-2 by St. Olaf College.

Kicking off a four game home stretch, the UW-Stout squad (2-2) took to the Dunn County Ice Arena's rink to host St. Olaf College. The Blue Devils were looking to prevail over the Oles, after losing to St. Olaf the last time these teams met.

Despite the fact that seating was scarce and tempers were raging, Andy Wiesner, a returning forward for the Blue

Devils, quickly scored in the first period. Not long afterwards, St. Olaf retaliated nearly six minutes into the second. Unfortunately, Andrew Stearns' score just seconds later could not pull the team through victory lane.

The Oles (1-0-1) retaliated to take the 3-2 lead. The uphill battle continued through the third period, as St. Olaf scored two goals to clinch the game 5-2.

Due to St. Olaf's determination, not even all-conference goalie Mike Stone could save the Devils from submission.

Coach Terry Watkins was assuring that "mental mistakes" will not hold this team back. After only losing two key players to graduation, the UW-Stout men's hockey team is looking to

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Students gain more representation

By Kristie Wilson
News Writer

Students hoped the governor would sign a bill to add a second student regent. The State Assembly took in the Senate Bill 121 and a companion bill, Assembly Bill 158.

The Senate passed the Senate Bill 121 unanimously in May. The Assembly College and Universities Committee also unanimously

passed the Assembly Bill 158 in March. This added a second student to University of Wisconsin System board. Students are able to have two voices on the Board of 17 Regents, about 160,000 students total.

"Adding a second student to the Board of Regents is an extremely positive advance for students and their families," said Nick Cluppert, UW-River Falls

student senate president.

Alone, Senate Bill 121 appoints the student member designated under the current laws, such as the "traditional" student. The current law changed to specify the governor must choose the traditional student.

A committee that consists of elected representatives recommends these students. The traditional students chosen must go

through an interview process by the committee.

They then submit three names to the governor for his or her choosing.

"Non-traditional students deserve a voice on the Board of Regents to help our UW campuses better serve the overall student community," said State Representative Andy Lamb.

The Senate Bill 121 and Assembly Bill 158 add a non-traditional student to the board. This is defined as a 24-year-old or older undergraduate student who will represent the view of all the nontraditional students.

Non-traditional students can also be employed students or those who are parents.

As for the current student

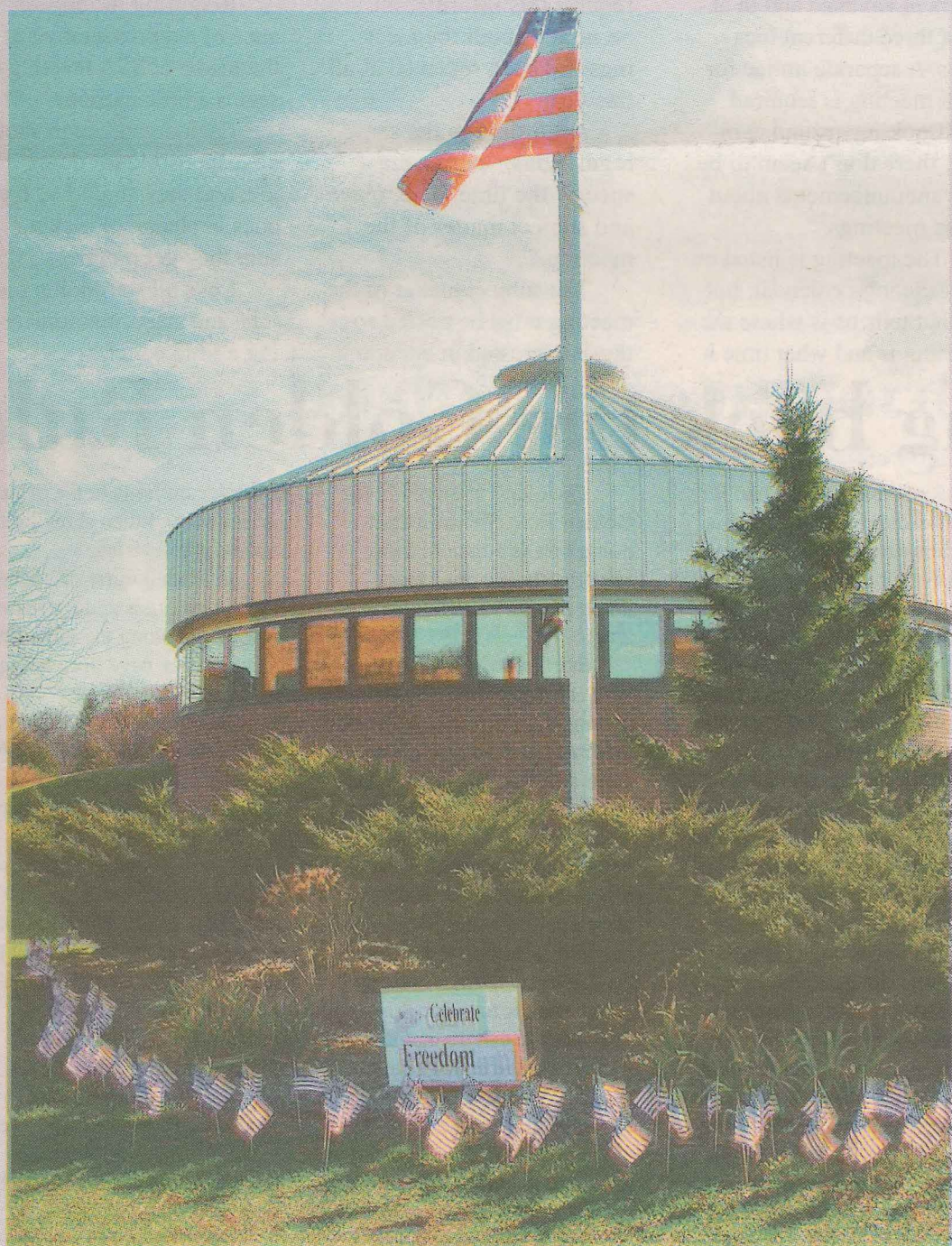
seat, it would be saved for the traditional aged college student. They would both be assigned by the governor to spread out over two year terms.

Two student regents on spread out terms will make sure students will keep having their voice be heard on the board. In past years, there have been appointment delays and transition problems.

These problems have kept students' voices heard on the Board. This has especially been a problem during essential votes regarding the UW System annual budget and the tuition levels.

For more information students can contact Brain Tanner, United Council, at 608-279-9517.

Veteran's Day remembered



courtesy of by Shawn Peter

SSA's Legislative affairs committee remembered the troops that just arrived back in Menomonie as well as those who served for us so many years ago with this display for Veteran's Day.

Teen wins office

By Lindsey Schultdt
News Editor

In 2004, an entire generation of young voters was bombarded with the message that young people have the opportunity to change the world and that a single vote can make all of the difference.

Michael Sessions, 18, became living proof that every single vote does count. He also proved that age, in the political arena, no longer matters.

Tuesday, Nov. 8, Sessions, a senior in high school, became the mayor of his town after beating the incumbent Douglas Ingles, 51, by two votes.

"I decided I wanted to throw my name in the race on the ballot back when petitions were due on May 10, but I wasn't able to," said Sessions for an interview on 'Countdown'. "[The city clerk said] well, you can be a write-in candidate when you turn 18. I turned 18 in Sept. That's when I declared my intent to be a write-in candidate."

Sessions had only one

month to campaign and only \$700 he saved from a summer job to support his campaign. He had 670 people write his name in on the ballot.

"Like I've said many a times, from 7:50 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. I'm a student and from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. I'm going to be out fulfilling this job as mayor."

Some were surprised by the results of the election.



"We never thought this would happen," said Tim Vagle, Hillsdale City Manager during an interview with ABC News. "Now we will see what we need to do to make this work."

[Sessions]

missed a planning commission meeting this morning. I assume it is because he had school."

Others, however, completely supported Sessions.

"We liked what we heard from him and as members we all voted to endorse him," said Bruce Sharp, a firefighter for the Hillsdale fire department in an interview with ABC News.

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Media needs more communication



Staff Editorial The Stoutonia Staff

There was recently a proposal from the Stout Student Association stating, "At least one *Stoutonia* representative should be required to attend USS weekly meetings to report on the information, events, and ideas that the Senators and Executive board exhibit on weekly basis." Although this proposal did not pass, maybe it's not such a bad idea.

If a member of *The Stoutonia* did attend the weekly SSA meetings, this

may be able to help a number of things.

It would help the seeming lack of communication between these and even other organizations, and also get the word out about upcoming events.

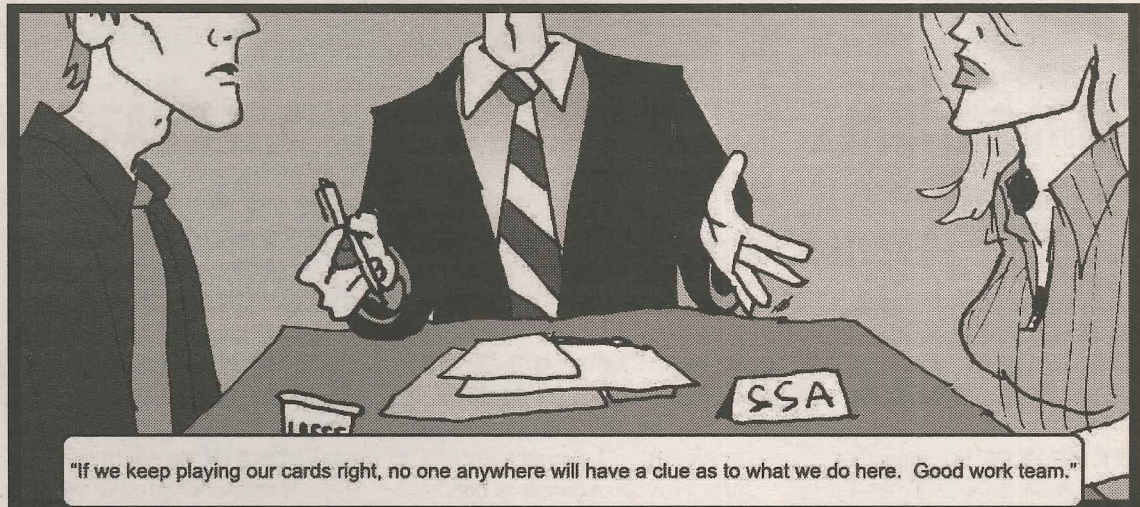
The problem with this idea lies in the fact that no one told any member of *The Stoutonia* that this proposal was even brought up - we found out while researching another issue - which goes back to the original problem: of a lack of communication.

How could someone, who is apparently required to attend, show up if they don't even know they are supposed to be there? And what can really be done to that person if they don't show up?

Maybe nothing. But that doesn't mean that this shouldn't be done. In fact, it should have been something that was started a while ago. Perhaps *The Stoutonia* has not been doing its job.

It is after all, the job of *The Stoutonia* to appropriately inform the students, faculty and staff of the University of Wisconsin-Stout about important issues they may be affected by and to cover big events that take place around campus.

So part of the lack of



communication between these two may be blamed on *The Stoutonia*.

But at the same time, SSA hasn't been doing their job either.

According to the UW Extension Local Government Center Fact Sheet, the SSA is considered a "governmental body."

This means that by law, SSA is required to give notice of any meetings 24 hours in advance and in at least three different locations. A separate notice for each meeting is required.

Looking around campus, there don't seem to be any announcements about these meetings.

The meeting is listed on the e-Scholar calendar, but all that tells us is where the meeting is and what time it

is held. It says nothing about what will be talked about.

According to the University of Wisconsin System General Counsel, they "must also ensure that the notice is published in the campus newspaper and must give either oral or written notice ... to news media who have submitted a written request for notice."

So even though *The Stoutonia* does not need to request this information, no notice about the meetings has been received at all this year.

According to the same regulations, "notice must specify the time, date, place and subject matter of the meeting."

The subject matter of the meeting must be posted so those interested in attending

will know what is going to be discussed.

So both parties are to blame for this lack of communication.

Neither has fully been doing what they should be. SSA is required to do these things by law.

The Stoutonia isn't, but that doesn't mean we shouldn't be attending the meetings and reporting on them.

Requiring the appearance of a representative of the media at SSA meetings seems a little extreme.

Each organization should be responsible for doing its job, and they should be the ones in charge of making sure they get it done.

Let's all start doing our jobs and start communicating a little better.

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Michael Graney
Columnist

I have been reading more and more about how the current administration has been justifying the use of torture as a way of gaining information.

Yes, the United States has done inhumane things to people captured under the pretense of potentially being tied to terrorists and then shipped out of the country so that, on a legal technicality, they can be heavily interrogated.

There once was a nation who went around as a shining example of what to be expected.

When human rights violations came up, this was a nation who, unequivocally stood up for the repressed.

Who could challenge China on human rights violations? Who could claim a higher moral ground based on the existing record of standing up for the rights of all mankind?

That used to be the United

States of America. We had set the standard for human rights and how to treat people. Now we have a black eye.

Our current attorney general has even written memorandums about how to use loopholes to permit torturous interrogations.

Even after we have become signatories on such important documents as the Geneva Convention (indicating how to treat prisoners of war and the like) we decide it doesn't apply in select situations.

The sad thing is, what can the world do in retaliation? We are the last remaining super power. We are all interconnected through the world economy with traditional boundaries rapidly disappearing.

We have the largest military (even though it is currently stretched thin) and produce a ton of food. We also control the Domain Name System servers of the Internet. The world can't do much to say we do not approve of your actions besides saying it.

Setting a high standard means resisting temptation or taking the easy way out. It means we have to do what we want done.

Let's bring back the Golden Rule

The oldest example is the Golden Rule. We must start doing that as a nation. More importantly, we must start doing that on an individualized level.

Start treating everyone with respect, from the lowliest freshman, to the dean of your program, to the President of the United States.

Respect is something that must be earned after it is lost, but to start out, we all must have a basic respect of other people.

The next step to fix this egregious misstep in our foreign policy is to prove it is a mistake. We can do that through legislation and enough support to override any veto the White House could impose.

John McCain supported this provision in the Senate and it passed with a 90-9 vote.

The House has pushed a vote back, but coming up to the re-election campaigns, it will be interesting to see how things play out.

Why must we resort to torture in fighting terrorism? Must we sink down to the terrorist's level?

Maybe we should get more fully on their level and

start decapitating some of the prisoners and then showing the video on television.

It seemed fairly effective for the terrorists and we seem to want to go along the same lines as what they have been doing, so why not?

Do I really want to give up basic human rights of my fellow humans all in the name of national security? Does that make us free? I don't think so.

I think it makes us a captive of a system, which can suddenly, randomly and mysteriously do anything in the name of "national security" and the average citizen has no say.

Do I want to live in a place where my phone calls are monitored, my library records are open and my Web surfing habits are viewed, because I could potentially be a terrorist?

Unfortunately I do, and only the citizens of this country through our representatives and senators can fix that problem. I'm an American. I'm proud to be one.

I want to work on making our country up to gold standard for human rights and treating everyone humanely. I just hope I'm not alone.



Letters to the Editor

If you wish to submit a Letter to the Editor, letters can be sent to stoutonia@uwstout.edu. Letters must be no longer than 250 words and must be submitted by 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday in order to run in that week's issue.

Parking Problem

I work in St. Paul on the weekends, making my car is a necessity. As a freshman living on North Campus, parking is a nightmare.

Since there was so much overcrowding this year, I somehow ended up living at Wigen Hall. Since it is only my first year on campus, and most people living around me are upper-classmen, I was not given priority to a parking pass.

Every night, I have to drop my car off at a friend's house, who graciously allows me to park in his driveway. I then begin my nightly, mile trek back to my dorm. If I didn't know anyone with a house, I don't know what I'd do.

My roommate, who was lucky enough to have been granted a pass often times cannot find a place to park in his assigned lots. Why is there not more parking available on North Campus?

2nd Street, which divides Wigen and the new Red Cedar Halls would be a perfect place to park, accept there are signs posted which warn, "No Parking 2am-5am." What goes on between those hours that makes it unacceptable to park there?

The over-night parking ban being lifted off of 2nd Street would pose an obvious solution to a major problem.

Anthony Wind

Giving thanks or just wanting what we don't have?



Shawn Peter
Columnist

Looking at the calendar, it's unbelievable that it's already Thanksgiving next week. It wasn't that long ago when the semester first started and Thanksgiving seemed far off on the horizon.

The trend happens every year. Now November is nearly over and the holiday season is on our front door step yet again.

Soon many of us will be traveling home or to relatives. Most of us will enjoy turkey or ham complete with stuffing, varieties of potatoes, fruit salad and those fantastic pies you only see at Thanksgiving.

Over the much needed vacation, some of us may be found deep in the woods, dressed in orange, hunting for "dat turdy pointer," while others might be found battling the crowds, Christmas shopping the day after. If this is you, best of luck!

This week, I'd like to raise the question that we should be reminded of over Thanksgiving. What are you most thankful for?

The true reason for celebrating most holidays is usually lost in annual traditions: or worse yet—the media frenzy.

Knowing that many of you are smarter and more thoughtful than the average college

student, I challenge you to list at least five things you are most thankful for. Also, challenge your friends and family to do the same.

Looking at the list, how important are those things to your life? What if one of those items on your list didn't exist tomorrow? It's important to reflect on that and be thankful.

Reflecting on my list, I thought of several items I'm most thankful for.

My list includes: being able to wake up every day, a home to go to when it's time to go home, a loving family, the countless friends I have, awesome roommates, being able to walk to class, personal safety and security, being able to thank God for the many blessings he bestows on me daily, living in a great country where we have freedom, opportunity and lastly I'm thankful that people read my articles and care about what I have to say week to week.

I'm sure many of these are similar to the ones on your list. Or maybe not.

There is certainly a lot to be thankful for. If you believe in God, I hope you thank him every day for those things that are important to your life.

Thanksgiving is a great holiday and I'm glad it's celebrated.

While you're participating in the many holiday traditions, don't forget what matters most this Thanksgiving.

And lastly, be thankful that the semester has only four weeks remaining!



Steve Tietz
Columnist

Thanksgiving is next week, and I'm about as excited for it as a bulimic person. It makes no sense as a holiday.

We gather with our families to consume huge meals, play and/or watch a football game, and then spend the rest of the evening nursing a painfully bloated stomach, all in an effort to show our thanks for someone or something.

Thanksgiving has long been celebrated as the one holiday where we take time out of our busy lives to share with others what we are thankful for, and I suppose I could offer some witty banter about being thankful for what we have everyday of the year, but no one is.

Typical Thanksgiving renditions include being thankful for family, friends, health and careers; but who is really thankful for those things?

Every day I find myself filled with thoughts of want and need, but never of thankfulness.

I can easily recall any number of things I wish I had and places I wish I could go or wish I had gone, but I struggle to recall a moment of thought in which I was thankful for what I have been given, or have done or for the places I have gone. Why?

The media could be to blame for this. When was the last time you saw a commercial

telling you your beat-up Ford is just as good as a BMW?

Our media constantly tells us our lives would be richer if we had a new Beamer parked in the driveway, but they never tell us our beat-up Ford serves the same purpose as an overpriced BMW.

College, if anything, has taught us to want more than any other institution in the world. We're told to go to college to obtain a degree in order to obtain a better career than those that didn't.

Colleges across the world are constantly plugging us with information about six figure incomes and wealth beyond fathom yet fail to tell about the happiness that can be obtained without a high income.

Does wealth lead to happiness, and does that obtained happiness lead us to be thankful for what we have?

What about those in third and second world nations who will never know what a six figure income can provide? Are they thankful? And if they are thankful, what can they be thankful for if they have nothing? Or are we thankful we're not them?

Finally, my disdain for Thanksgiving has led me to one thought: we are all thankful for our friends and family without ever saying it or thinking it, but we're more thankful for the ability to want than anything else.

This Thanksgiving, while you're surrounded by loved ones, remind yourself that you will never be truly thankful of those people or what they have given you until they or it is gone, but it might not hurt to share with them your thanks.

Welcome Bush fans to minority



Brian Legg
Columnist

Americans are finally coming to their senses about the man and his administration.

It is somewhat vindicating for those of us who have been at best skeptical and at worst outright enraged by almost every move made by Bush and co.

According to the latest poll numbers, President Bush has a 36 percent job approval rating, 65 percent of Americans think we were misled into war with Iraq and 50 percent think that Bush is unethical and dishonest.

My biggest pet peeve of this administration has been its use and abuse of Sept. 11 for political purposes.

Immediately following the terrorist attacks, the National Security Council held a meeting, and according to several accounts, there was talk about how it could be used as a rationale for war with Iraq.

Many have said that Iraq was front and center from the beginning, and this was just the event needed to boost it.

Throughout the period

when the administration was selling the war to the public, the link between Saddam Hussein and Al Queda was constantly being hyped.

We now know there was no connection between the two, but the effect that this misleading language had on the public is undeniable.

In polls taken shortly after Sept. 11 asking the public who was likely behind the attacks, only 3 percent mentioned Iraq or Saddam. Contrast that with a poll taken in March of 2003 where 45 percent of respondents believed that Saddam was personally involved in the attacks.

Now, if I were one of those who were duped then into supporting the war, I'd be pretty mad. But I wasn't, and I'm still pretty mad. Oh well, I guess that just comes with having a conscience.

The use of Sept. 11 was just one of the ways that this administration misled the public into supporting war with Iraq. Administration officials painted a very rosy picture about how the war would likely go.

First, they told us that we would be greeted as liberators. Ah, the daisies will bloom and we'll be treated to grand feasts. Instead, we find ourselves bat-

ting a sustained and growing insurgency.

Then they told us that the reconstruction would pay for itself. A couple of 80 billion dollar bills later...

They mocked the generals that estimated the war would require 100,000 or more troops. I think you can probably see where this is going.

Now, with the Scooter Libby indictment and speculation of Dick Cheney as a possible next target, the public is seeing the inner workings of how intelligence was manipulated and how any doubt was silenced.

Iraq isn't the only thing weighing Bush's numbers down either. The botched response to Katrina, slip-ups in the nomination of Supreme Court Judges and the flop of Social Security Reform all have taken their toll on this once popular president.

For me though, it's all about Iraq. This was supposed to be Bush's legacy. He was supposed to finish the job his father started. He was supposed to bring to life the neocon wet dream of reworking the Middle East. He was supposed to...

Instead he let the loose cannons within his administration get out of control. And now it looks like the buck is coming to rest in his lap. Aww, he looks sad.

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When porn becomes an addiction

By Jennifer Gauthier
Campus Writer

Whether you love porn, hate porn or love to hate porn, you have probably seen the chalk drawings and eye-catching signs advertising Porn Nation.

Speaker Michael Leahy is a confessed former pornography addict and is executive director of the group Bravehearts, who co-sponsored the presentation.

The group aims to challenge pornography as "the norm" in advertising, music and media, as well as the idea that women must give their bodies to feel love and men must conquer women to gain adequacy.

"The volume [of pornography] is overwhelming," said Leahy. "[Pornography is] any material without literary or artistic value whose designated purpose is to cause sexual arousal."

The problem with pornography, according to Mr. Leahy, is that people accept it as the norm,

a standard by which to measure up to or measure others.

"Those images never go away," said Leahy.

Leahy spoke not only about pornography and how it has affected him, but also how it affected his relationships with women, including his ex-wife.

On his wedding day, when he'd decided to lay all the porn, strip clubs and sexual escapades aside, he experienced what he described as the biggest shock of his life.

Finding himself subconsciously checking out the women walking through the hallway and wondered if his relationship with his wife would be enough. Leahy said he couldn't control his pornography use and felt that he was living a double life.

"Internet porn is the crack cocaine of sexual addiction," said Leahy.

He described it as a mood altering drug, where sexual needs can be met everyday, any time and

any way. Its appeal stems from the fact that it's accessible, affordable and anonymous, but the intimacy and relationships are false.

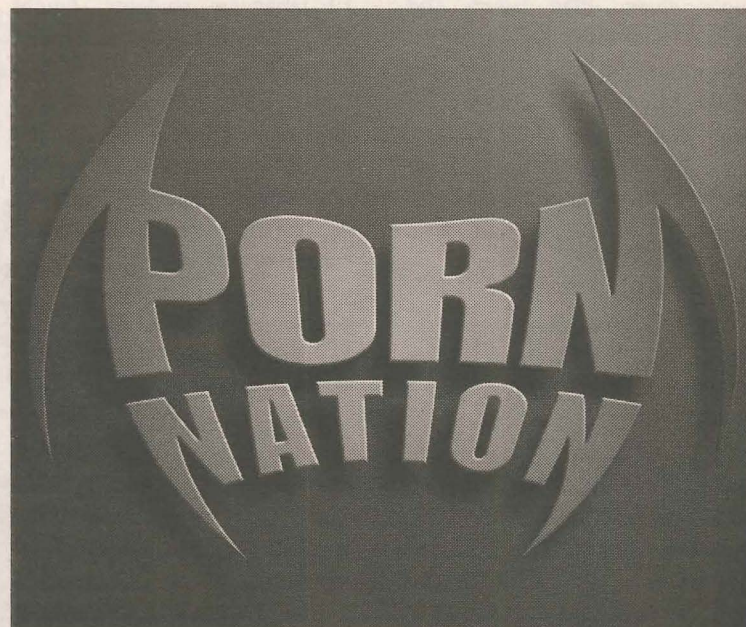
"No woman can compete with Internet porn" said Leahy. "It changes how you view yourself."

"Pornography doesn't give anything back to the person experiencing it," said Aaron Triphan, a sophomore majoring in vocal rehabilitation. "They may experience fulfillment of sexual thoughts and desires, but they don't experience a shared love that is found between two people."

Leahy commented about the high prevalence of sex appeal in advertising, citing that it's relatively inexpensive and has strong mass appeal. Others share his convictions:

"I think porn is out of control," said Heather Partridge, a junior and HDFS major. "I don't think that we can even help it in certain ways because the different forms of it in the media all around us, so it makes it really hard to get away from."

The affect these images have seems to be the shrinking of many people's self-esteem and adequacy.



Source: streamer.espeakus.com/1/5161/9308.jpg/

Presenter Michael Leahy attributes his divorce to his pornography addiction. Students agreed that pornography affects relationships.

"I think the media, unfortunately, sets the standard for people to strive toward, everyone wants to be just a little bit skinnier or a little bit more beautiful," said Danielle Bleck, a junior in business management.

Making people feel inadequate might sell more products, but it can also have a damaging affect on people's

psyches when they come to believe that these images are normal and realistic.

Mr. Leahy recommended a general screening test to those who think they could have a sexual addiction. It concerns porn use and its place in your life; "it's totally anonymous and confidential" he assured, and can be found at www.sexsurvey.com.

Employee of the month

Jeanne Stoeklen, who works in the graduate office as a university services associate, was named Classified Employee of the Month for November.

She was hired in 1979 to work in the Center for Vocational and Adult Education.

She lives in Menomonie on a farm her family has owned for more than 100 years.



Variations on Thanksgiving meals

Tasty twists on traditions for the vegetarian or the meat lover.

By Amanda Schoeder
Campus Writer

What will be on your Thanksgiving table this year? The same old turkey, stuffing, mashed potatoes, cranberries and pumpkin pie? Instead of the same old Thanksgiving foods, try some of these unique spins on the traditional foods to get a delicious and healthy meal.

There is a variety of ways to use the traditional foods that many people don't even think of. For example, cranberries can be used in the traditional sauce but can also be used in salad dressings, chutney, relishes and cranberry bread. Cranberries are also very healthy to

include in the diet because of the large amount of antioxidants they contain.

To add variety to your turkey it could be deep fried instead of roasted which makes the turkey juicy, on the inside and crispy on the outside. This can get dangerous though, so use the proper technique.

Or for a vegetarian turkey, try a tofurkey which usually consists of a tofu shell with stuffing baked inside. People are even making turduckens which is a turkey stuffed with a duck stuffed with a chicken for their Thanksgiving bird. This is more common in the south.

Try adding mix-ins to your mashed potatoes. Set out bowls

with jalapeños, cheeses, garlic, horseradish and tomatoes for people to make their own flavor of mashed potatoes. Or try mashed sweet potatoes instead.

"My favorite [Thanksgiving food] is squash casserole," said Jennifer Hannum, a senior in art education/studio. "It contains sour cream, squash and seasoned bread crumbs."

This sounds like a spin on sweet potato casserole with the marshmallows.

Another food that many people don't think of as traditional Thanksgiving fare is wild rice. Wild rice is a very healthy and a unique addition to any Thanks-

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Diverse students show culture and talent

By Renee Currington
Campus Editor

Students from around the globe shared their talents and culture with those who attended the annual International Dinner in the Memorial Student Center on Saturday, Nov. 12.

The show was organized by the UW-Stout International Relations Club (IRC) and was so popular this year that the tickets oversold.

Prior to the dinner, show goers had the opportunity to get to know the performers, and others from abroad, during an hour-long cultural exhibit.

Tables displayed a variety of cultural art and information about the countries. Some also had food samples and activities.

Japanese students taught visitors how to make origami and offered green tea. Some visitors were seen walking around with name tags written in Nepali.

Show goers were treated to international cuisine including Napali vegetable curry, Korean bulgogi (beef), Norwegian lefse (bread), French

crème brulee and German Black Forest cake.

Eloise Scavella, a student from the Bahamas, presented each act of the culture show with enthusiasm and vigor, as the event's master of ceremony.

Scavella introduced Chancellor Sorensen, who opened the show with warm words of welcome.

"The international students are our eyes into the world," said Sorensen. "We enjoy what they bring to us."

The cultural show

began with a parade of international students of the University of Wisconsin-Stout carrying flags to represent 31 nations. More international students at UW-Stout represent Nepal than any other nation.

The talents these students presented were as varied as their origins. Aside from unique song and dance, there was an African drum solo and a Korean martial arts performance.

Another notable performance was the Middle Eastern belly dancing performed by the Sahaja Student Gypsy Tribe of Menomonie.

Darshanee Ramlakhan, a psychology junior from Trinidad, performed an upbeat instrumental piece on the sitar. Having played the sitar for more than nine years, Ramlakhan plucked away at her instrument with confidence and style to the beat of a Tabla drum.

In the last act of the show, students sang "Auld Lang Syne" in a variety of languages, then finally joined together to sing a final version in English.

"We hope those who came [to the show] will come back again next year," said Vickie Kuestler, advisor to the IRC.



Recipe / variations on holiday traditions

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giving meal. Try this recipe which combines wild rice and stuffing to make a unique accompaniment to the rest of the turkey day feast. This recipe is courtesy of www.all-recipes.com.

Broccoli, Wild Rice and Mushroom Stuffing

1/2 cup uncooked wild rice
1 1/2 cups water
2 cups fresh broccoli
1/2 cup butter
1 1/2 cups sliced mushrooms
1 cup chopped onion
1 (16 oz) package herb seasoned stuffing mix
1 (14 oz) can chicken broth
1/2 cup sliced almonds (optional)

1. Bring rice and water to a boil in a pot. Cover, reduce heat to low and simmer for 45 minutes.

2. Place broccoli in a pot with enough water to cover, and boil for five minutes, or until slightly tender. Remove from heat and drain.

3. Preheat oven to 350 degrees F. Lightly grease a baking dish.

4. Melt butter in a skillet over medium heat, and sauté mushrooms and onions until tender. Mix in rice, broccoli, stuffing mix, broth and almonds. Add more broth if it looks too dry. Transfer to prepared baking dish.

5. Bake for 30 minutes in preheated oven or until golden brown.

For a twist on plain old pumpkin pie, try this recipe for pumpkin cheesecake, the gingersnap crust really adds a lot to this dessert. Hannum said, "I love pumpkin cheesecake, I would eat that over regular pumpkin pie any day." This recipe is courtesy of www.allrecipes.com.

Marbled Pumpkin Cheesecake

1 1/2 cups crushed ginger snaps
1/2 cup finely chopped pecans
1/3 cup melted butter

2 (8 oz) packages cream cheese
3/4 cup white sugar
1 tsp. vanilla extract
3 eggs
1 cup canned pumpkin
3/4 tsp. ground cinnamon
1/4 tsp. ground nutmeg

1. Preheat oven to 350 degrees F. In a medium bowl, mix together cookies, pecans and butter. Press into the bottom and 1 inch up the sides of a medium sized springform pan. Bake for 10 minutes and the set aside to cool.

2. In a medium bowl, mix together cream cheese, 1/2 cup sugar and vanilla just until smooth. Add eggs in one at a time, blending well after each. Set aside 1 cup of the mixture. Blend 1/4 cup sugar, pumpkin, cinnamon and nutmeg into the remaining mixture.

3. Spread pumpkin flavored

batter onto the crust, and drop the plain batter by spoonfuls onto the top. Swirl with a knife to create a marbled effect.

4. Bake 55 minutes, or until filling is set. Run a knife around the edge of the pan. Allow to cool before removing outer ring of pan. Chill at least 4 hours before serving.

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November 17
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Thursday, Nov. 17

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>Cloud Cult + Kid Dakota, Rec Center, 8 p.m., Free.
>Justin Vernon, House of Rock, 8-9:30 p.m., \$3.
>The Kissers, Stones Throw, 10 p.m., cost tba.

Friday, Nov. 18

>Mojo Lemon, Klassix, 7:30 p.m., Free.
>Jim Pullman Band + Mister Smith + Chris Harrington, House of Rock, 10 p.m., \$4.
>Live Jazz, Shanghai Bistro, 6:30 p.m., Free.
>Post Mordern Grinner + Broken Home, Stones Throw, 10 p.m., \$3.
>Annie, State Theatre, Eau Claire, 7:30 p.m., \$14/\$8.
>Amore, Tailgates, 9:30 p.m., \$2.
>The Tommy Benz Band, The Mousetrap, 10 p.m., Free.
>Corky Siegel & Randy Sabien, Mabel Tainter Theater, 8 p.m., \$18/\$16/\$12.

Saturday, Nov. 19

>Desolate Void + The Ruger Policy + Words That Burn + Accomia, House of Rock, 9 p.m., \$4.
>Live Jazz, Shanghai Bistro, 6:30 p.m., Free.
>The Cutaways, Mabel Tainter Theater, 8 p.m., \$8/\$6.

Sunday, Nov. 20

>Paula Smith & Stephanie Graber, Mabel Tainter Theater, 2 p.m., \$18/\$16/\$12.
>Annie, State Theatre, Eau Claire, 1:30 p.m., \$14/\$8.

Monday, Nov. 21

>Conrad Johns & the New River City Jazz Band, Stones Throw, 6-8 p.m., Free.
>Q-tet, Stones Throw, 9 p.m., Free.

Tuesday, Nov. 22

>The Long Hollow Hell Hounds, The Mousetrap, 10 p.m., Free.
>Turntable: Hecatomb, Stones Throw, 10 p.m., \$3.
>Lucky Creek Blues Band, Klassix, 7:30 p.m., Free.

Wednesday, Nov. 23

>Vinyl Vensday, House of Rock, 8 p.m., Free.
>Turkey Bowling, Doubledays, 9 p.m., Free.
>Divided Highway, Crossroads Bar and Grill, 9:30 p.m., \$2.

Thursday, Nov. 24

>Tipsy McStagger, Tailgates, 9:30 p.m., \$2.

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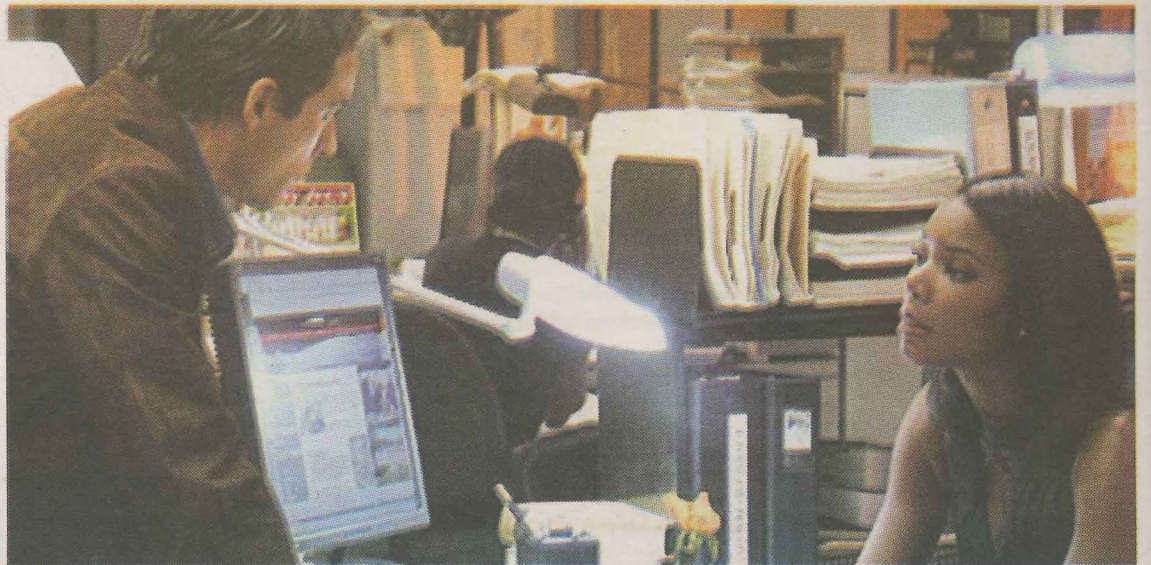
So much for night-stalking



Matt Schubbe
Entertainment Writer

In the 1970s, "Kolchak: The Night Stalker"—based off the immensely popular made-for-television movie, "The Night Stalker"—aired for 20 episodes. The series starred Darren McGavin as an oddball investigative journalist who tracked down supernatural solutions to grisly murders.

The culprits were typically vampires, werewolves and other things that go bump in the night and the authorities were usually more interested in covering up the crimes than in solving them. Kolchak was sort of the Fox Mulder of his day. In fact, "X-



Source: www.images.zap2it.com

Stuart Townsend and Gabrielle Union star in the latest "X-Files" retread, "The Night Stalker." The difference? This one is created by a guy who used to work on "The X-Files" and has already been cancelled.

Files" creator Chris Carter has acknowledged the cult favorite as one of his inspirations.

In an ironic twist, "X-Files" seems to be the primary inspiration for the remake of "The

Night Stalker." Should anyone really care? After all, has anyone heard of this show at all?

The first thing I heard about it was that it had been cancelled after six episodes. I was also

pretty confused when I saw the name of "X-Files" alum Frank Spotnitz attached to the ill-fated project as its creator and executive producer. The original

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Open Mic Night steadily improves



Mike Ryan
Entertainment Writer

Toward the beginning of Blue Devil Production's most recent Open Mic Night, two anonymous UW-Stout students took the stage, each carrying a guitar. I was immediately relieved when I recognized them as UW-Stout students.

Oddly enough, I was even happier when I realized something else: they were horrible.

The two performers—one even admitting that he had never played guitar before—introduced their piece as an ode to their landlord, whom they evidently didn't like.



Source: www.sas.org.uk

A sign like this at the Acoustic Cafe would be a good idea for future events. No offense to Jack Johnson fans, of course.

Why was I happy that they were bad? Because they actually had the guts to go onstage and perform something.

I admit I was initially confused as they started their one-song set, but before they were through I was laughing pretty

hard. They were simply two students who didn't take themselves too seriously and were just looking to make some people laugh.

I was certainly more entertained by their anti-landlord sentiments then by any of the other performers, most of whom just

played the same Jack Johnson songs over and over.

In the spirit of the scene in "Wayne's World" where a guitar shop clerk indicates a "No Stairway to Heaven" sign, I feel that the Acoustic Cafe should post a "No Jack Johnson" sign at future events.

Granted, entry level guitar players love using Jack Johnson to pick up chicks, and nine times out of ten I'm sure that fake baking mall girls buy it, but at "times like these" I'd like to scream in agony.

Where have the Open Mic entertainers gone? The kids with original material?

We're getting better at the Open Mic business, but more UW-Stout students still need to come and play.

Let's face it, it's just cool to have college kids entertaining other college kids. Also, I'm sick of Jack Johnson.



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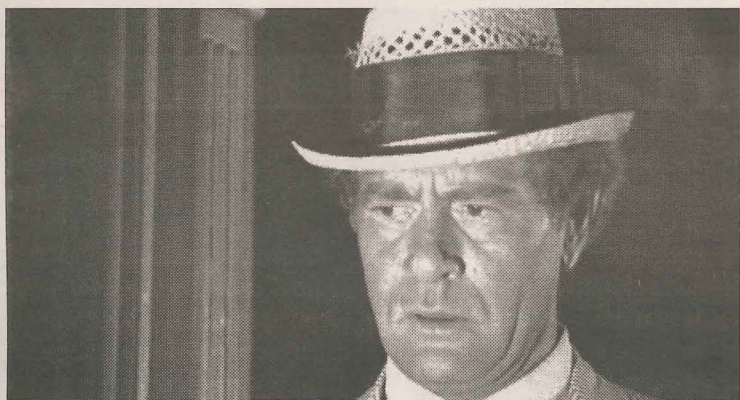
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TV/Nightstalker



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In "Kolchak: The Night Stalker," Darren McGavin walked the supernatural crimes beat long before Mulder even graduated high school.

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"Night Stalker" was considered something of a TV failure, but at least that made it through its first season.

What bothers me is how this current failure came about. When networks give successful creators or producers a new show similar to what they'd previously done and hope that lightning will strike twice, as if the odds of a new show running a full season weren't steep enough. A successful television show is usually comprised of several unique elements coming together in an unexpected way. That's tough to achieve once, let alone twice, even if the show's creator has a good track record. The creator doesn't need the additional handicap of trying to make viewers overcome their sense of déjà vu.

Take the show "Cop Rock" for example. Not many people know about it, and for good reason. This show is an even more egregious case of a network airing a show based solely

on a creator's track record. Steven Bochco was the creator of the extremely popular 80's cop show, "Hill Street Blues," so when he said he wanted to do a different kind of cop drama, TV execs were all over it.

Too bad they didn't really take time to get a handle on the premise first: "Cop Rock" was a musical cop show, part drama and part song-and-dance. It sounds awful even to just read it, I know, but the show was produced regardless of its weak, stupid premise, all because Steven Bochco had once created a hit.

But what does this have to do with "Night Stalker"? Because Spotnitz helped make "X-Files," "Night Stalker" was put on the air, only to be quickly (and deservedly) cancelled. What a waste of time and money on the part of the network.

More care should be taken in deciding what new shows get produced. Take your time, TV execs. We have too many "Night Stalkers" already.

Just a wonderful romp through space



Jarrod Burns
Entertainment Writer

"Zathura" is the latest blockbuster from the pen of children's book author Chris Van Allsburg, best known for "Jumanji" and "The Polar Express."

Following the formula used to create "Jumanji," "Zathura" follows the adventures of two constantly fighting young brothers, Walter and Danny, whose parents have recently divorced.

Their father (Tim Robbins) has just purchased a new house, and the boys and their older sister are all adjusting themselves to their new surroundings.

While their father is out, Walter and Danny stumble upon an old board game in the basement and begin to play it, soon realizing that whatever happens in the game happens in reality.

Before long, they find themselves flying through space in their house.

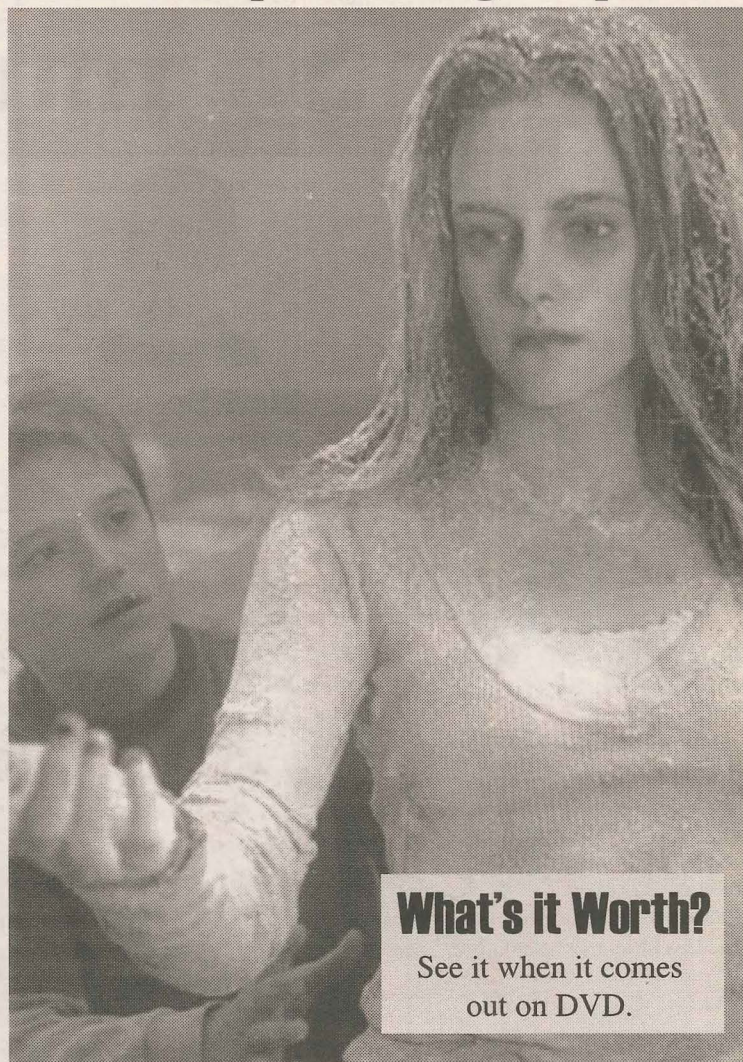
They must survive meteor showers, killer robots, aliens and each other, all the while trying to end the game by reaching their final destination, Zathura.

"Zathura" has a very similar premise to the 1995 "Jumanji," with young kids finding a board game that comes to life.

This time the theme of the board game is science fiction, instead of a jungle safari.

"Zathura" was directed by Jon Favreau, whose last film was "Elf." Perhaps he is going to make this an ongoing pattern of directing family films. It wouldn't be a mistake, because he has done a good job with "Zathura."

The visuals of the film match the storybook source and make you forget that the house floating in space is really just a



What's it Worth?

See it when it comes out on DVD.

Source: www.rottentomatoes.com

Between takes, actors in "Zathura" enjoyed improvising scenes from Shakespeare. Here we see the famous "Alas, poor Yorik" soliloquy.

Hollywood set. The star fields and nearby planets look amazing, as does the retro-styled robot and alien ships.

The visual effects could have been just good enough to please the children in the audience, but even I was impressed by the look of the movie.

Only when the lights in the house went out were there moments when the lighting just didn't look right.

Overall, Favreau did a good job keeping 22-year-old me interested, so I'm sure he succeeded in capturing the attention of the children for whom this film was intended.

The story is quite simple, and there is an obvious lesson to be learned regarding peace be-

tween siblings. The script isn't entirely G rated, though, so it won't leave the adult audience bored. There is just enough humor and action to keep the movie interesting.

Where "Jumanji" had wild animals trampling through the town, "Zathura" has explosions and meteors crashing into stuff.

The film was paced for a younger audience, so there may be moments when you wish the next action scene would begin, but it won't keep you waiting too long.

After seeing it, I would recommend seeing "Zathura" when it comes out on DVD.

It just may not be worth the price of an expensive movie ticket and popcorn.

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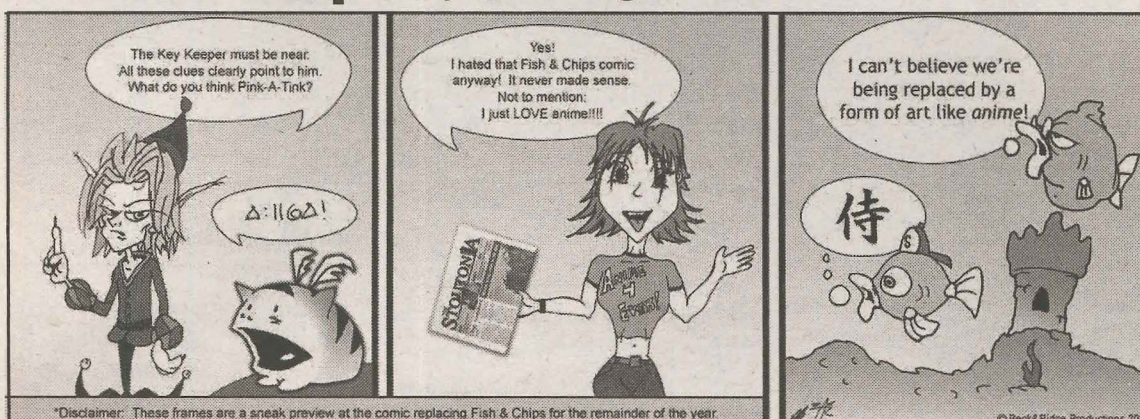
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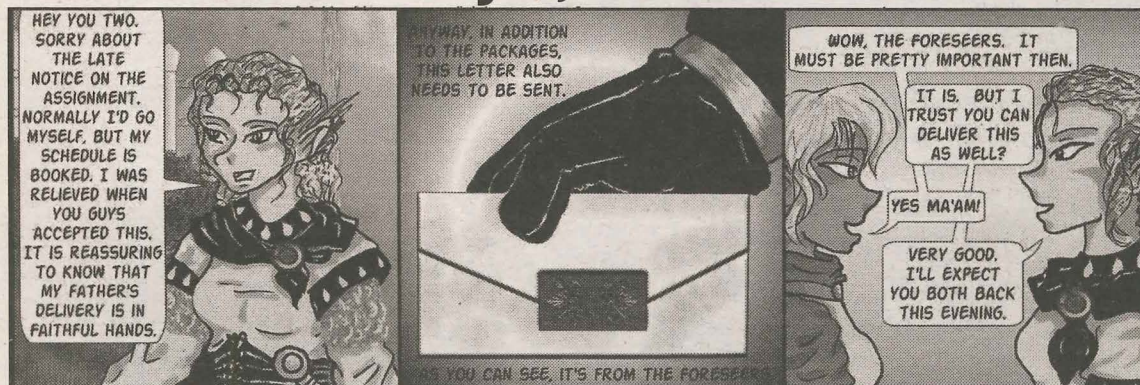
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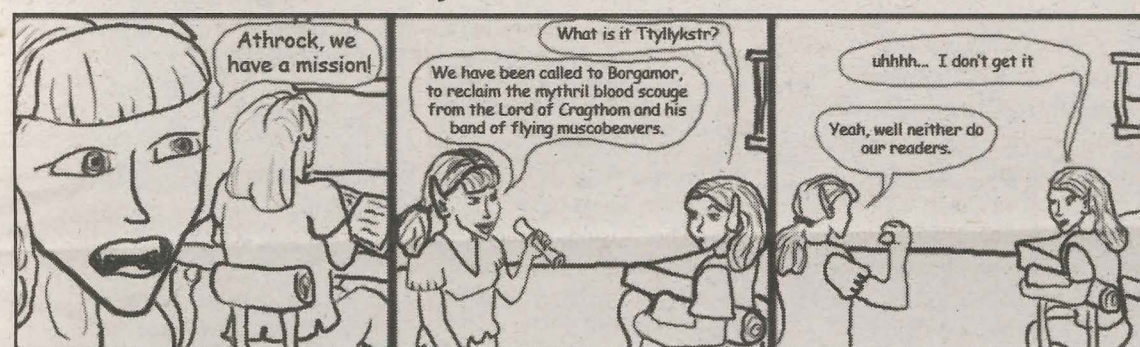
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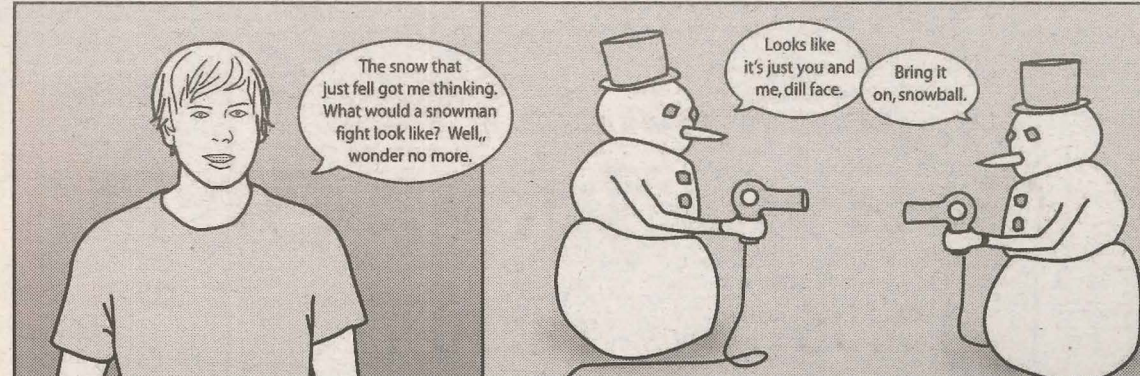
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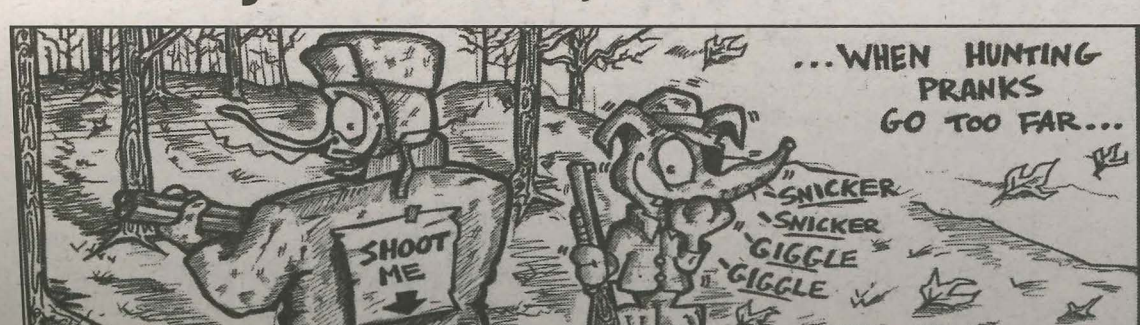
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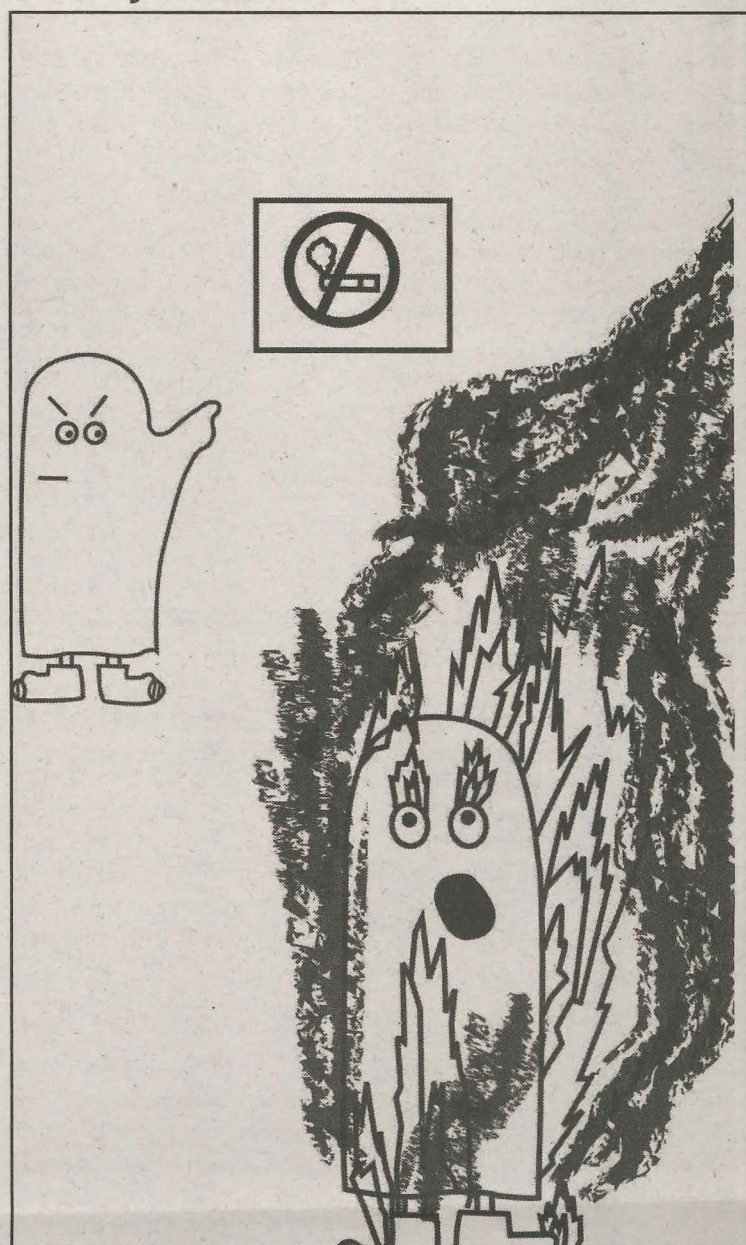
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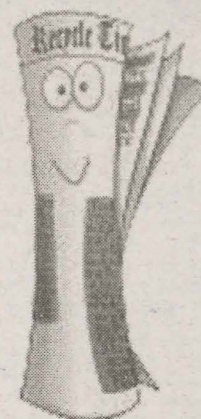
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7 1/2 Main Street #3	\$175	\$175	n/a	n/a	Inc. utilities, bath off hallway, washer/dryer	SR
7 1/2 Main Street #4	\$175	\$175	n/a	n/a	Inc. utilities, bath off hallway, washer/dryer	SR
7 1/2 Main Street #6	\$195	\$195	n/a	n/a	Inc. utilities, bath off hallway, washer/dryer	SR
7 1/2 Main Street #9	\$195	\$195	n/a	n/a	Inc. utilities, bath off hallway, washer/dryer	SR
13 1/2 3rd Street East #7	\$225	\$225	n/a	n/a	Great location, includes WSG & heat	A
10 9th Avenue	\$240	\$240	n/a	n/a	Efficiency apartment includes utilities	3
10 1/2 Main Street #1	\$270	\$270	n/a	n/a	WSG+HW inc. storage, close to campus	6
9 West Main Street #1	\$275	\$275	\$350	\$350	Close to campus and downtown	3
12 6th Avenue #1	\$290	\$290	n/a	n/a	Utilities included, parking	6
12 6th Avenue #2	\$290	\$290	n/a	n/a	Utilities included, parking	6
20 6th Avenue #1	\$295	\$295	n/a	n/a	Nice location, incl. WSG & hot water, studio	8
22 6th Avenue #2	\$295	\$295	n/a	n/a	Nice location, incl. WSG & hot water, studio	8
3 13th Street #8	\$295	\$295	n/a	n/a	Nice location, incl. WSG & hot water, studio	8
13 1/2 3rd Street East #2	\$295	\$295	n/a	n/a	Great location, includes WSG & heat	A
13 1/2 3rd Street East #3	\$295	\$295	n/a	n/a	Great location, includes WSG & heat	A
12 6th Avenue #3	\$315	\$315	n/a	n/a	Includes all utilities, parking	6
5 1/2 West Main Street	\$320	\$320	\$395	\$395	Close to campus and downtown	3
103 1/2 14th Avenue East	\$325	\$325	n/a	n/a	Upper duplex, nice size rooms	D
1 13th Street #7	\$325	\$325	n/a	n/a	Nice location, incl. WSG & hot water, studio	8
10 1/2 Main Street #3	\$330	\$330	n/a	n/a	WSG+HW inc. storage, close to campus	6
13 1/2 3rd Street East #4	\$330	\$330	n/a	n/a	Great location, includes WSG & heat	A
13 1/2 3rd Street East #5	\$330	\$330	n/a	n/a	Great location, utilities included, parking	A
13 1/2 3rd Street East #9	\$330	\$330	n/a	n/a	Great location, includes WSG & heat	A
13 Wilson Avenue #5	\$335	\$335	n/a	n/a	Great location, utilities included, parking	8
10 1/2 Main Street #4	\$340	\$340	n/a	n/a	WSG+HW inc. storage, close to campus	6
13 Wilson Avenue #4	\$345	\$345	n/a	n/a	Great location, utilities included, parking	8
10 1/2 Main Street #5	\$350	\$350	n/a	n/a	Great location, utilities included, parking	8
13 Wilson Avenue #2	\$350	\$350	n/a	n/a	Great location, utilities included, parking	8
13 Wilson Avenue #6	\$360	\$360	n/a	n/a	Great location, utilities included, parking	8
13 Wilson Avenue #8	\$360	\$360	n/a	n/a	Great location, includes WSG & heat	A
13 1/2 3rd Street East #6	\$370	\$370	n/a	n/a	Gas heat, upper duplex, great location	D
18 1/2 9th Street	\$375	\$375	n/a	n/a	Inc. heat, WSG, hot water, very large & nice	4
21 7th Street	\$390	\$390	n/a	n/a	Inc. heat, WSG, hot water, parking	6
11 Wilson Avenue #4	\$395	\$395	n/a	n/a	Great location, utilities included, parking	8
13 Wilson Avenue #3	\$395	\$395	n/a	n/a	Inc. heat, WSG, downtown location	A
13 1/2 Main Street #1	\$400	\$400	n/a	n/a	Great location, utilities included, parking	8
13 Wilson Avenue #1	\$475	\$475	n/a	n/a	Enclosed front porch, great location	D
106 1/2 6th Street	\$330	\$165	\$428	\$214	Gas heat, lower duplex, great location	D
18 9th Street	\$350	\$175	n/a	n/a	Close to campus and downtown	3
3 West Main Street	\$360	\$180	\$458	\$229	Good location, parking	4
11 Main Street #2	\$360	\$180	\$500	\$250	Good location, parking	4
11 Main Street #4	\$360	\$180	\$500	\$250	Lower duplex, gas heat	D
103 14th Avenue East	\$375	\$188	n/a	n/a	Close to campus and downtown	3
5 West Main Street	\$380	\$190	\$500	\$250	Close to campus and downtown, parking	3
9 West Main Street #2	\$380	\$190	\$450	\$225	Inc. WSG, washer dryer	4
21 5th Street #A	\$395	\$198	n/a	n/a	Inc. WSG, washer dryer	4
21 5th Street #B	\$395	\$198	n/a	n/a	Inc. WSG, washer dryer	4
21 5th Street #C	\$395	\$198	n/a	n/a	Inc. WSG, washer dryer	4
21 5th Street #D	\$395	\$198	n/a	n/a	Good location in duplex, parking	D
5 1/2 Main Street	\$395	\$198	\$495	\$248	Gas heat, next to campus	D
18 1/2 13th Avenue West	\$400	\$200	n/a	n/a	Upper duplex, very nice close to campus	D
10 15th Avenue	\$400	\$200	\$585	\$293	Gas heat, garage, modern, location	D
15 4th Street West	\$410	\$205	\$540	\$270	Huge bedrooms, enclosed front porch	D
106 6th Street	\$420	\$210	\$590	\$295	Large, great location, parking	D
4 1/2 12th Avenue West	\$430	\$215	\$540	\$270	Inc. heat, WSG hot water, excellent location	4
9 13th Avenue	\$430	\$215	n/a	n/a	Inc. heat, WSG, hot water, excellent location	4
21 1/2 7th Street	\$440	\$220	n/a	n/a	Inc. heat, WSG hot water, excellent location	4
9 1/2 13th Avenue	\$460	\$230	n/a	n/a	Garage, washer/dryer, great house	H
102 10th Street	\$500	\$250	\$650	\$325	Close to campus, large nice rooms	3
10 1/2 9th Avenue	\$500	\$250	\$660	\$330	Includes all utilities, parking	6
12 6th Avenue #6	\$520	\$260	n/a	n/a	Includes all utilities, parking	6
12 6th Avenue #5	\$525	\$263	n/a	n/a	Inc. heat, WSG, hot water, parking	6
11 Wilson Avenue #1	\$540	\$270	n/a	n/a	Inc. heat, WSG, hot water, parking	6
11 Wilson Avenue #2	\$540	\$270	n/a	n/a	Inc. heat, WSG, hot water, parking	6
11 Wilson Avenue #5	\$540	\$270	n/a	n/a	Inc. heat, WSG, hot water, parking	6
11 Wilson Avenue #6	\$540	\$270	n/a	n/a	Lower duplex, available 8/01/06	D
103 7th Street	\$570	\$190	n/a	n/a	Next to campus, washer/dryer	D
11 1/2 South Broadway	\$450	\$150	\$535	\$178	Washer/dryer next to campus	D
11 South Broadway	\$550	\$183	\$700	\$233	Parking and convenient location, nice rooms	3
9 West Main Street #3	\$525	\$175	\$675	\$225	Close to campus, parking	H
12 6th Street	\$550	\$183	n/a	n/a	Lrg. Rooms, gas heat, parking	D
18 13th Avenue West.	\$600	\$200	n/a	n/a	Good location, parking, economical	4
1 Main Street #3	\$600	\$200	\$765	\$255	Utilities included, parking	6
12 6th Avenue #4	\$675	\$225	n/a	n/a	Inc. Utilities, W/D great location, very large	A
7 1/2 Main Street #B	\$780	\$260	n/a	n/a	Washer/dryer, new siding	H
106 10th Street	\$550	\$138	\$700	\$175	Washer/dryer excellent shape/lrg rooms	D
20 15th Avenue	\$600	\$150	\$720	\$180	Washer/dryer, gas heat, garage	H
109 6th Street	\$600	\$150	\$810	\$203	WD good location, gas heat	H
19 14th Avenue West	\$600	\$150	\$750	\$188	Gas heat/garage/large rooms/ W/D hookup	H
15 14th Avenue	\$620	\$155	\$800	\$200	Super location, washer/dryer	H
11 13th Avenue West	\$620	\$155	\$790	\$198	W/D gas heat/storage, parking, garage	H
15 10th Street	\$700	\$175	\$820	\$205	Good location, economical	H
11 Main Street #1	\$700	\$175	\$870	\$218	Close to campus, large nice rooms	4
19 8th Street	\$775	\$194	\$975	\$244	Large house, nice location	H
109 South Broadway	\$800	\$200	n/a	n/a		

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			Entire Unit	Per Person	Entire Unit	Per Person		
4	1	1808 5th Street	\$800	\$200	\$980	\$245	Large rooms, W/D parking, location	H
4	1	915 Main Street	\$800	\$200	\$980	\$245	Good location in duplex, parking	D
4	2	1620 6th Street	\$850	\$213	\$1,030	\$258	Great house, W/D hook-up, gas heat	H
4	1.5	414 14th Avenue #1	\$880	\$220	\$1,030	\$258	Mod., high eff. Gas heat, W/D a/c, avail. 8/01/06	8
4	1.5	414 14th Avenue #2	\$880	\$220	\$1,030	\$258	Modern, high eff. Gas heat, W/D a/c	8
4	1.5	414 14th Avenue #3	\$880	\$220	\$1,030	\$258	Modern, high eff. Gas heat, W/D a/c	8
4	1.5	414 14th Avenue #4	\$880	\$220	\$1,030	\$258	Modern, high eff. Gas heat, W/D a/c	8
4	1.5	414 14th Avenue #5	\$880	\$220	\$1,030	\$258	Modern, high eff. Gas heat, W/D a/c	8
4	1.5	414 14th Avenue #6	\$880	\$220	\$1,030	\$258	Modern, high eff. Gas heat, W/D a/c	8
4	1.5	414 14th Avenue #7	\$880	\$220	\$1,030	\$258	Modern, high eff. Gas heat, W/D a/c	8
4	1.5	414 14th Avenue #8	\$880	\$220	\$1,030	\$258	Modern, high eff. Gas heat, W/D a/c	8
4	1	1114 7th Street	\$900	\$225	n/a	n/a	Great location, close to campus, garage	H
4	1	121 1/2 12th Avenue West	\$900	\$225	\$1,120	\$280	Large apartment, super location washer/dryer	D
4	1.5	121 12th Avenue West	\$900	\$225	\$1,090	\$273	Large apartment, super location washer/dryer	D
4	1	2235 South Broadway	\$900	\$225	\$1,100	\$275	Large house, parking W/D, great home	H
4	2	1702 6th Street	\$950	\$238	\$1,140	\$285	Lots of space, great location, W/D	H
4	2	602 12th Avenue East	\$1,000	\$250	\$1,210	\$303	New large bedrooms, close to campus	D
4	2	1301 9th Street	\$1,020	\$255	\$1,270	\$318	Beautiful house, garage, location, washer/dryer	H
4	2	1317 8th Street	\$1,040	\$260	\$1,250	\$313	Washer/dryer deck good location	H
4	2	332 1/2 Main Street	\$1,040	\$260	\$1,240	\$310	Huge washer/dryer, deck downtown, parking	H
4	2	1021 8th Street	\$1,100	\$275	\$1,345	\$336	Beautiful house w/decks close to campus W/D	H
5	1	1121 6th Avenue	\$600	\$120	\$860	\$172	Washer/dryer gas heat	H
5	2	512 19th Avenue West	\$750	\$150	\$1,000	\$200	Large, parking, 2 family rooms	D
5	2	516 19th Avenue West	\$750	\$150	\$1,000	\$200	Large, parking, 2 family rooms	D
5	1	1320 6th Street	\$820	\$164	\$1,040	\$208	Washer/dryer, great location	H
5	2	2006 5th Street #A	\$840	\$168	\$1,000	\$200	Washer/dryer, very large, parking	3
5	2	405 20th Avenue	\$850	\$170	\$1,030	\$206	Great house washer/dryer garage, modern	H
5	2	1403 6th Street	\$900	\$180	\$1,180	\$236	Good location, lots of parking, huge rooms	H
5	2	1521 8th Street	\$900	\$180	\$1,145	\$229	Washer/dryer great location	H
5	2	221 12th Avenue West	\$900	\$180	n/a	n/a	Big house, nice location Available 9/02/06	H
5	2	814 10th Street	\$925	\$185	\$1,205	\$241	Lots of rooms on 2 levels, upgrades W/D	D
5	2	607 13th Avenue East	\$950	\$190	\$1,140	\$228	Huge rooms, location, parking washer/dryer	H
5	1.5	1107 2nd Street West	\$1,000	\$200	\$1,260	\$252	Good layout/close to campus	H
5	2	2303 3rd Street	\$1,025	\$205	\$1,305	\$261	Detached garage, large, washer/dryer	H
5	2	2006 5th Street #B	\$1,100	\$220	\$1,380	\$276	Newer W/D, has everything	3
5	2	2006 5th Street #C	\$1,100	\$220	\$1,380	\$276	Newer W/D, has everything	3
5	2.5	902 Main Street	\$1,125	\$225	\$1,405	\$281	Great location, W/D, large rooms, fenced yard	H
5	2	1803 7th Street	\$1,150	\$230	\$1,430	\$286	Washer/dryer, parking, good location, large	D
5	2	321 14th Avenue West	\$1,250	\$250	\$1,500	\$300	Close to campus, washer/dryer great house	H
5	2	1708 6th Street #B	\$1,325	\$265	\$1,545	\$309	Washer/dryer, parking, large bedrooms	D
6	1.5	221 4th Street West	\$700	\$117	\$960	\$160	Washer/dryer, gas heat, north campus	H
6	2	1602 8th Street	\$900	\$150	\$1,100	\$183	Washer/dryer, storage, gas heat	H
6	2	504 10th Street	\$900	\$150	\$1,180	\$197	W/D hook-ups, gas heat, large rms.	H
6	2	415 13th Avenue West	\$1,050	\$175	\$1,330	\$222	Modern house very lrg. rooms, good location	H
6	2	1603 7th Street	\$1,170	\$195	\$1,450	\$242	Washer/dryer new carpet, very nice	H
6	2	1415 1/2 8th Street	\$1,200	\$200	\$1,480	\$247	Fabulous newer construction washer/dryer	D
6	2	321 20th Avenue #A	\$1,200	\$200	\$1,445	\$241	New, large bedrooms, washer/dryer	4
6	2	321 20th Avenue #B	\$1,200	\$200	\$1,445	\$241	New, large bedrooms, washer/dryer	4
6	2	321 20th Avenue #C	\$1,200	\$200	\$1,445	\$241	New, large bedrooms, washer/dryer	4
6	2	321 20th Avenue #D	\$1,200	\$200	\$1,445	\$241	New, large bedrooms, washer/dryer	4
6	2	1714 8th Street	\$1,230	\$205	\$1,500	\$250	Large deck, gas heat, washer/dryer	H
6	2	115 1/2 17th Avenue West	\$1,250	\$208	\$1,510	\$252	Newer unit, great location, washer/dryer	D
6	2	115 17th Avenue West	\$1,260	\$210	\$1,510	\$252	Location, washer/dryer Parking	D
6	2	121 1/2 13th Avenue West	\$1,260	\$210	\$1,540	\$257	Large, super location, washer/dryer, newer	D
6	2	408 18th Avenue East	\$1,260	\$210	\$1,520	\$252	Washer/dryer, close to campus, great home,	H
7	2	220 12th Avenue West	\$1,190	\$170	\$1,415	\$202	Great location, washer/dryer	H
7	2	1321 2nd Street West	\$1,400	\$200	\$1,700	\$243	Large house, 1 blk. from campus	H
7	2	820 11th Street	\$1,600	\$229	\$1,900	\$271	Newly remodeled, washer/dryer, fabulous house	H
8	2.5	121 12th Ave W	\$1,800	\$225	\$2,010	\$251	Large house, W/D, across from stadium	H

B-Ball / getting ready

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Although Churchill was the starting point guard last season, Amanda Geissler and Joanna Bird saw a substantial amount of play. Four players will compete for the No. 2 guard position for the Blue Devils: Savannah Oeltjen, Brittany Evert, Sarah Miles and Lindsay Geissler.

Last season Oeltjen had a considerable amount of starts and averaged 4.2 points, while Geissler made an impact with 8.4 points per game to finish as the team's third leading scorer.

"It'll be a new look for us because Erin was a unique point guard in the fact that she was a 5'9" kid that was really fast and strong; now we have more of the traditional look there, the 5'6" type athlete," said Thomas. "We

have two kids that both bring a little bit different things to the table; one is a little stronger than the other one on defense and the other one brings a little bit more on offense. They are very intelligent kids, they work hard and they have some skills."

At the other wing, last season Molly Hendricks started all 31 games, averaged 7.5 points, 3.8 rebounds and led the Blue Devils in 3-pointers with 48. At the forward position Jenny McDermid and Dani Boese are expected to be key contributors.

According to Thomas, Amanda Geissler, Stephanie Nemitz and Hendricks have stepped into the leadership roles to help UW-Stout make a strong run this season, and he is hopeful regarding how the Blue Devils

will finish this season.

"I think that we have a chance to contend and ultimately win the conference championship, but there are so many variables that are going to play a role in that and most of them are things that we control," said Thomas.

Duoss agrees that this season the bar is set high. "We obviously have to do as well or better than last season," said Duoss.

The team will kick off the season this weekend in Mankato Minnesota at the Pepsi Tip-Off Tourney and opens Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Conference play Wednesday Nov. 30 hosting the University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire at 7 p.m.

"I'm really ready for the season to get started, and so is everyone else," said Duoss.

Sports Briefs

The University of Wisconsin-Stout's defensive back Rob Weinstein was named the Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Conference player of the week for the 23 tackles that he made against the University of Wisconsin-Whitewater.

Weinstein finished the game with 10 solo tackles. Brandon Olson, a punter for the Blue Devils, was named the special teams player of the week for his efforts. Olson had seven punts for 280 yards with the longest being 57 yards. For the season, Olson averaged 35.5 yards per kick and had 18 points that were at least 20 yards.

The Blue Devils suffered a 38-26 loss to the University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point

Saturday at Goerke Field.

UW-Stout's Andy Reese led all rushers with 138 yards to conclude the season with 979 yards, while Keldric Stokkes finished 17-of-28 with 204 yards passing. Blue Devil Jesse Wendt made eight catches for two scores and 119 yards.

The women's cross country team had six of their seven runners finish in the top 100 at the NCAA Division III Midwest Regional meet Saturday at Detweiler Park in Peoria, Ill. Blue Devil Krista Jahimiak took 33rd, finishing in 22 minutes, 42.5 seconds while Bridgette Crozier took 48th (22:59.0).

Nate Haeny led the men's team finishing 46th with a time of 25:58.5.

STOUTONIA'S Athlete OF THE Week

The University of Wisconsin-Stout's Kelsey Duoss was named to the D3hoops.com preseason All-American Team.

Duoss, a forward for the Blue Devils was a first team All-WIAC player last year as well as a second team all-region selection. She led the team in scoring, averaging 13 points a game and set a school record for

blocked shots, tallying 97.

Duoss also helped the Blue Devils attain the team's best overall record 24-7, a WIAC Championship and a trip to the NCAA Division II Sweet 16.

Duoss finished Sunday's game against Marquette University with a double-double tallying 18 points and 12 rebounds as the Golden Eagles

defeated the Blue Devils 80-58.

Duoss was an integral player last season as UW-Stout won the Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Conference Championship and competed in the NCAA Division III Sweet 16 Tournament.

The Blue Devils have been chosen as the likely winner of the WIAC Championship.

The Facts:

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Duoss was named to the D3hoops.com preseason All-American Team and last season was a first team All-WIAC player



Kelsey Duoss
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BLUE DEVIL
SCOREBOARDFOOTBALL (6-4)
38-26 FINAL

The Blue Devils concluded their season with a 38-26 loss to the University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point on Saturday.



CROSS COUNTRY

The UW-Stout women's squad took 11th place at the NCAA Midwest Regionals while the men's team placed 18th.



HOCKEY (3-3-0)

The Blue Devils went 1-1 on the week dropping a loss to Augsburg College and defeating St. John's.

WOMEN'S
BASKETBALL

The Blue Devils will kick off their season this Friday at the University of Minnesota-Mankato and will face St. Cloud on Saturday.



MEN'S BASKETBALL

UW-Stout will open its season Friday against St. Thomas at the Wooster Ohio Tournament and will travel to Macalester on Monday Nov. 21.



Stout picked as WIAC Favorite

By Rachel Wick
Sports Editor

With a conference championship, a trip to the NCAA Sweet 16 and a 24-7 overall record last season (the team's best record in school history), one would expect the University of Wisconsin-Stout women's basketball team and head coach Mark Thomas to be overly confident regarding the coming season, but the Blue Devils acknowledge that it is a new season and have plans to build on last year's success.

"I think that when you come off a season that we call a season of dreams and you have a returning core of talented players the expectations do get raised," said Thomas. "Obviously it is very humbling at this time of the year to have

preseason picks like we have to be ranked number six in the country to be picked to win the conference. That's flattering and

very humbling, but at the same time we're cautiously approaching that, we don't talk about that, because the only pressure I want to have on us is the pressure that we have on ourselves to reach a level of excellence that this group is able to reach."



Drew Retherford/Stoutonia

The UW-Stout women's basketball team held the 2005 Blue Devil basketball bash Wednesday night at the Johnson Fieldhouse. The Blue Devils will kickoff their season this Friday at Mankato

This is a feat that is not out of reach for the Blue Devils as the team returns 16 letterwinners and three starters to the court.

"We have a strong team coming back and new people who have had a good impact, said junior Kelsey Duoss.

Duoss returns as a strong presence this year at forward with last year's first team all-conference and second team all-region

American pick.

"I think that Kelsey is a better player right now than she ended the season at so she has improved her game," said Thomas. "She's stronger, she's in better shape and her skills are better; we view her as a pretty talented player.

She can't win games by herself, but she can have such a huge impact on us. How she plays is going to be very important to us."

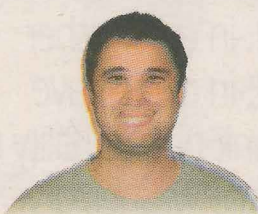
With the loss of key players Erin Churchill and Lindsey Erichsen to graduation, the team has needed to make some changes in its game plan.

"You don't just lose players of that caliber and just step someone else in there and take off and run with it," said Thomas. "There's going to be growing pains, there's going to be adjustments that have to be made; how quickly we do that will dic-

tate a lot of how successful we will be."

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Terrell Owens takes a timeout



Bryan Horwath
Sports Writer

Can somebody please tap me on the shoulder when it's safe to watch TV or read any sports-related publication that doesn't talk about Terrell Owens?

Until then, I'm going to hibernate. I am so sick of Mr. Owens and all the people that spend time covering his ongoing saga.

Okay, you're right, I'm just as guilty as the next for writing this column, but I swear this will probably be the last time I ever write about the NFL's version of Dennis Rodman.

The latest reason for talking about Owens is the fact that last week the Philadelphia Eagles – the team that traded for the outspoken wide receiver before the 2004 season – actually suspended him for the rest of the year.

That's right: Like a 5-year-old, T.O. has been sent to the

time-out room for the rest of the season. The reasons for the Eagles' move go back almost since Owens first arrived in the City of Brotherly Love.

The final straw came when Owens told an ESPN reporter the Eagles would have a better record if they had Brett Favre at quarterback. The fact that Donovan McNabb, Philly's current signal-caller, is a yearly Pro Bowl selection obviously means nothing to the delusional Owens.

Besides, has Owens looked at Favre's interception totals this season? Wisconsin's golden boy leads the NFC in picks.

As far as Terrell, I think it is obvious that he craves attention of any kind. He has an intense need to be seen, heard and loved, not unlike your average toddler (earlier, I compared him to a 5-year-old, and the sad part is that he probably did get less mature in the past five minutes).

Before the Favre comments, Owens ripped the Philadelphia organization for not publicly recognizing his 100th career touchdown catch, which occurred earlier this season. I actually think Owens has a decent beef on this one in the sense that

100 touchdown catches is a remarkable feat.

Where Owens went wrong is that you can't rip your employer like he has done time after time. It's just like the many McNabb comments Owens has made; why even say something like that? It's only because he needs to be the center of attention.

The guy is so selfish, he actually got in trouble for parking in a handicap space at the team's training facility.

Owens has done some cool things, don't get me wrong. The Sharpie in the sock was truly classic, and his performance in last year's Super Bowl, when he went against medical advice and played only to star in the game, was nothing less than a spectacular effort.

That said, T.O. being on a long timeout is just fine with me. Owens is a great football player, but is also an out-of-touch person who just doesn't get it.

The funny thing about it is that Owens has apparently made some friends in higher places than the world of football.

Political figures Ralph Nader and the Rev. Jesse Jackson have both come out in support of

Owens, saying that a year-long suspension is not justified for his crimes this season.

Boy, this guy really does have a knack for getting attention. In my opinion, though, this situation isn't about discrimination, race, due-process or anything other than the fact that Owens was simply destroying the Eagles' team chemistry. They had to get rid of him.

So there will be no more football for T.O. this year. I know that there will be appeals, but the bridge with Philly has been burned and no other team will pick up Owens for the remainder of this season.

As for next year? I'm sure some team with a crazy idea of being able to somehow change him will take a chance on Owens. If not, he could pursue his true calling in life: reality TV star.

I can see it now: VH1 comes out with a new show next year called "The Surreal Lives of Crazy Athletes," starring Owens, Ron Artest and Jose Canseco!

Until that happens, this space is officially a T.O. free zone. Unless the Packers in a desperate attempt to get back in the NFC North race...nah.

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Wisc. schools to ban birth control?

By Lindsey Schuldt
News Editor

Nearly half of America's 6.3 million annual pregnancies are accidental, according to the Planned Parenthood Web site. The site also noted that seven in 10 women who are sexually active do not want to become pregnant.

This is why the use of emergency contraceptives (EC) are becoming more popular amongst younger generations.

The Wisconsin legislature introduced a bill in April of 2005 that would prevent any employee of the University of Wisconsin

system to hand out, prescribe or advertise the use of ECs on campuses. The bill was brought about by an advertisement in a Madison paper.

The advertisement, paid for by Student Health Services in Madison, was printed right before spring break and read, "To help you plan ahead, University Health Services can provide a prescription for EC over the phone without an appointment."

The bill, Assembly Bill 343, would essentially eliminate these contraceptives from colleges in Wisconsin.

"It's a prescription medication that is being handed

out to someone who was on the phone," said state Rep. Daniel LeMahieu. "There are not too many doctors who would hand out prescription medication without seeing someone."

Many students do not agree with the bill.

"This is the worst idea ever," said Doug Stevens, a senior in human development and family studies. "I used to volunteer at a teen clinic and I saw people all the time in bad situations that didn't know what to do. They didn't even know what was

available to them."

There are two different kinds of ECs. One is the emergency contraceptive pill (ECP). ECPs reduce the risk of pregnancy if taken within five days of unprotected sex.

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Proposal may hurt more

Same-sex marriage ban may affect all couples

By Lindsey Schuldt
News Editor

There is a proposal on the table in Wis. legislature which would ban same-sex unions as well having consequences for unmarried heterosexual adults.

"It has the power to negate over 20 years of protections for victims of domestic violence," said Janie Oveho, social action coordinator for the Wisconsin Coalition Against Domestic Violence.

The proposal could take away domestic violence protections for heterosexual couples who are not married.

In the proposal, only a man and a woman could be recognized as married and it would bar the recognition of legal status between unmarried couples, which means that common unions would be meaningless.

On Tuesday, Nov. 29, there were more than 300 people who

went to the State Capitol to announce their disagreement with the proposal.

Another possible negative with the proposal is that it could bar civil unions and domestic partnership benefits.

Testimony that was submitted to the Assembly and Senate Judiciary Committees said the proposed amendment could have negative results for victims of sexual assault and domestic violence.

The spokesman for Sen. Scott Fitzgerald commented that Wisconsin's laws on domestic violence refer only to household members who currently or formerly reside in the same house, which is why a ban on same-sex marriage wouldn't affect Wisconsin's domestic violence laws.

The State Assembly will likely vote on the proposal before the end of the year.

Quality of life survey determines trends

By Tracy Consi Dine
News Writer

Just recently, students residing in the residence halls took the quality of life surveys given to them by their RAs. There are approximately 2,900 students living in the residence halls on north and south campus,

and the majority of them have taken the survey.

The survey has been given to residents for approximately 20 years. The information gathered is used as a tool of observation to see trends and propose changes. This year's survey will not be available until January.

Last year, 49.1 percent of

the students who took the survey were freshmen, 34.5 percent were sophomores, 9.89 percent were juniors and 0.6 percent were seniors. Information collected showed that a high majority of students were satisfied with their living conditions and the services offered in the residence halls.

"The surveys do not

necessarily provide any earth shattering information but we get good data that helps us with long range planning," said Scott Griesbach, Director of Housing and Residence Life.

Even if the survey does not provide earth shattering information, it does provide interesting information. Students

may be interested to know that of last year's students, only 19.7 percent were smokers yet 72.3 percent of students were drinking alcohol.

It was asked if drinking patterns had changed since last year. Last year, 43.9 percent of students said their drinking pattern **QOL continues on page 3**

Santa Claus is coming to town



Tiffany Laschinger/Stoutonia

With the holidays approaching, students are getting in the spirit by setting up decorations all over town. Some have even dared the cold and the ice to put lights on their roofs.

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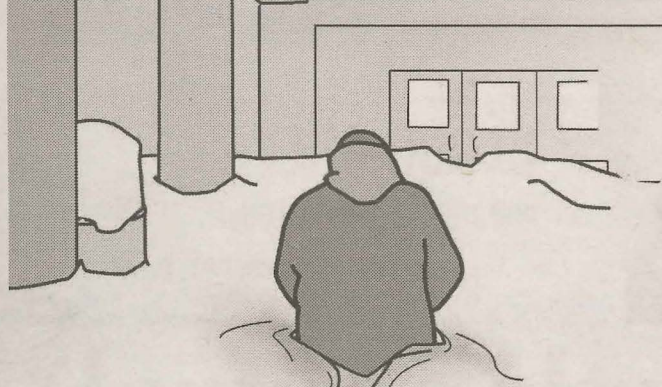
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Weather

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Winter weather advisory

With the arrival of ice and snow, it is time to review the policies and procedures to follow in case of inclement weather.



Because local weather differs from area to area of the state, the authority to close a campus to the public, cancel classes, or close the campus entirely, has been delegated to the Chancellor. However, it is the State's policy to keep state offices "open" for employees even when severe weather causes them to be closed to the public. Always assume that the campus WILL NOT be closed.

The Chancellor and Provost also remind us that our policy at UW-Stout maintains that classes will meet as usual unless there is formal notification of cancellation from the Chancellor's Office or the University Relations Office. If there is no such notice, classes are presumed to meet as scheduled. Individuals who must travel to and from campus should use their judgment as to whether or not such travel is wise.

Pill / no ECs?

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The second kind of EC is an intrauterine device (IUD) that releases copper into a woman's body. It too can be inserted up to five days after unprotected sex.

ECs are not like the morning after pill—RU-486—which causes a non-surgical abortion. They work in one of three ways: they stop sperm from being active, prevent ovulation or irritate the wall of the uterus so a fertilized egg can't attach.

"Knowledge was the first step for the people I saw," said Stevens. "Once they knew what was out there they could make responsible decisions."

Several UW-schools are going to Madison to protest the passing of the bill. Gov. James Doyle has already stated that if the senate passes the bill, he will veto it, but students are still concerned.

"College students are poor and horny," said Kelly Greer, a

senior in retail merchandising and management. "If this goes through bad things are bound to happen."

The pills are sold for around \$10 and on most campuses, students need to have appointments before they can obtain the medication.

"People see a young person with a child and they say it's a blessing, but it's also a burden," said Stevens. "My friend wants to go out and have fun because she's 21 but she can't because she has a 3-year-old. It's a lot to give up. I wouldn't be able to do it."

Congress has until April of 2006 to make a decision on the bill.

"Whether the pill, condoms or ECs, it's all birth control," said Connor O'Brien, a senior in business. "The only difference is some people take it before they have sex and other people take it after they have sex."



Citations for Nov. 15- Nov. 27
11 UAD (1st offense)
1 Criminal Disorderly Conduct
1 Misuse of Parking Services
2 Possession of marijuana
1 Possession of paraphernalia

Quit spruing around

On Wednesday Nov. 23, the University of Wisconsin-Stout Grounds Department reported damage to a spruce tree valued at \$250.00. There are no suspects or witnesses.

Another possessed elevator

On Monday Nov. 21, the Menomonie Fire Department was dispatched to CKTO for people stuck in the elevator. Two male students were present in the elevator's current location in the first floor lobby. Firefighters were able to open the elevator doors after shutting off the elevator power.

Stealing a library book?

On Sunday Nov. 20, a suspicious male was caught stealing a library book from the Library Learning Center. A staff member stopped the suspect and the book was given back, the suspect then fled after notification of calling the police. The suspect was never located.

Extreme sports

On Saturday Nov. 19, two male students were observed by a

UW-Stout officer climbing on a roof platform in front of CKTO. Both students then explained that one was locked out and tried to get the other's attention by throwing a shoe. The shoe had gotten stuck on the roof platform and they were trying to retrieve it. The officer then noticed activity in the 3rd floor lounge; after further investigation, six or seven male students were found cleaning up shredded phone books. The area was cleaned and the students had no idea what caused it.

Someone can't drive

On Thursday, Nov. 17, a female student reported that her car had been struck on the driver's side bumper. It was not determined as to how the striking vehicle may have hit her car, no note was left.

Scary stalker

On Thursday Nov. 17, a female student approached officers asking what to do about a stalker. She explained that on Saturday Nov. 12th, an unidentified male knocked on her door and she didn't answer. Later, she noticed the same male sitting in a vehicle in lot 4 watching her; a friend identified the car as possibly being a 1999 Grand Am. The same female student returned to her dorm to get a sweatshirt and then a male sub-

ject followed her in and pushed her up against the wall. The female student punched him in the face and the male suspect left; she later described him as being 6' tall, 200 pounds, having blue eyes and an athletic build and being in his late 20s.

StoutOne Fraud

On Thursday Nov. 17, UW-Stout officers were dispatched to Curran Hall on a report of identity theft. A female student reported that she received a call from a woman with an accent claiming to be from the StoutOne card office. The student then proceeded to give all her personal information with the promise of a Visa Gold Card 14 day trial period. The same officers received another dispatch about identity theft in HKMC. Two female students received a similar phone call and also gave out information to receive a Visa Gold Card. The students then received a phone number and website [www.clout.com] from the caller who they believe went by the name Michelle. All parties were advised of an identity theft website and given ideas about who to contact for more identity theft information by officers.

Student fainted

On Tuesday Nov. 15, the Menomonie Fire department and a UW-Stout officer were dispatched to North Hall about a female student who had fainted. The female student refused treatment and transportation to the hospital after being evaluated. The same student later that morning called and requested transportation to the hospital. The Menomonie Fire department provided the transportation.

What are you reading when you aren't paying attention in class?
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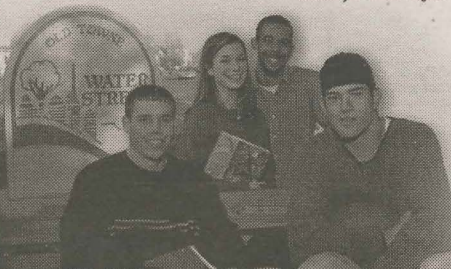
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Gallery has open forum for diversity

By Lindsey Schudt
News Editor

College is a time for discovery and growth, complimented with an understanding of ourselves as well as others. The Birch Gallery, recently designated as an area in which all students can find resources on diversity, is having an open forum on Monday, Dec. 5, from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. and on Thursday, Dec. 8, from 1 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. The gallery is located in the lower level of the Memorial Student Center, right next to the Involvement and Leadership desk.

"The gallery is a space where people can come think, talk and learn about diversity of related issues," said Mary McManus, the assistant director of University Centers.

Those running the gallery, which is sponsored by University Centers and the Dean of Students office, would like feedback from the campus community on what they would like to see happen within the room.

Resource selections and ideas for events to be held in the room are going to be the topics of discussion. The forum will have a drop-in format in which

recommendations and feedback can be offered on flip charts, in person to a staff member or via e-mail to McManus.

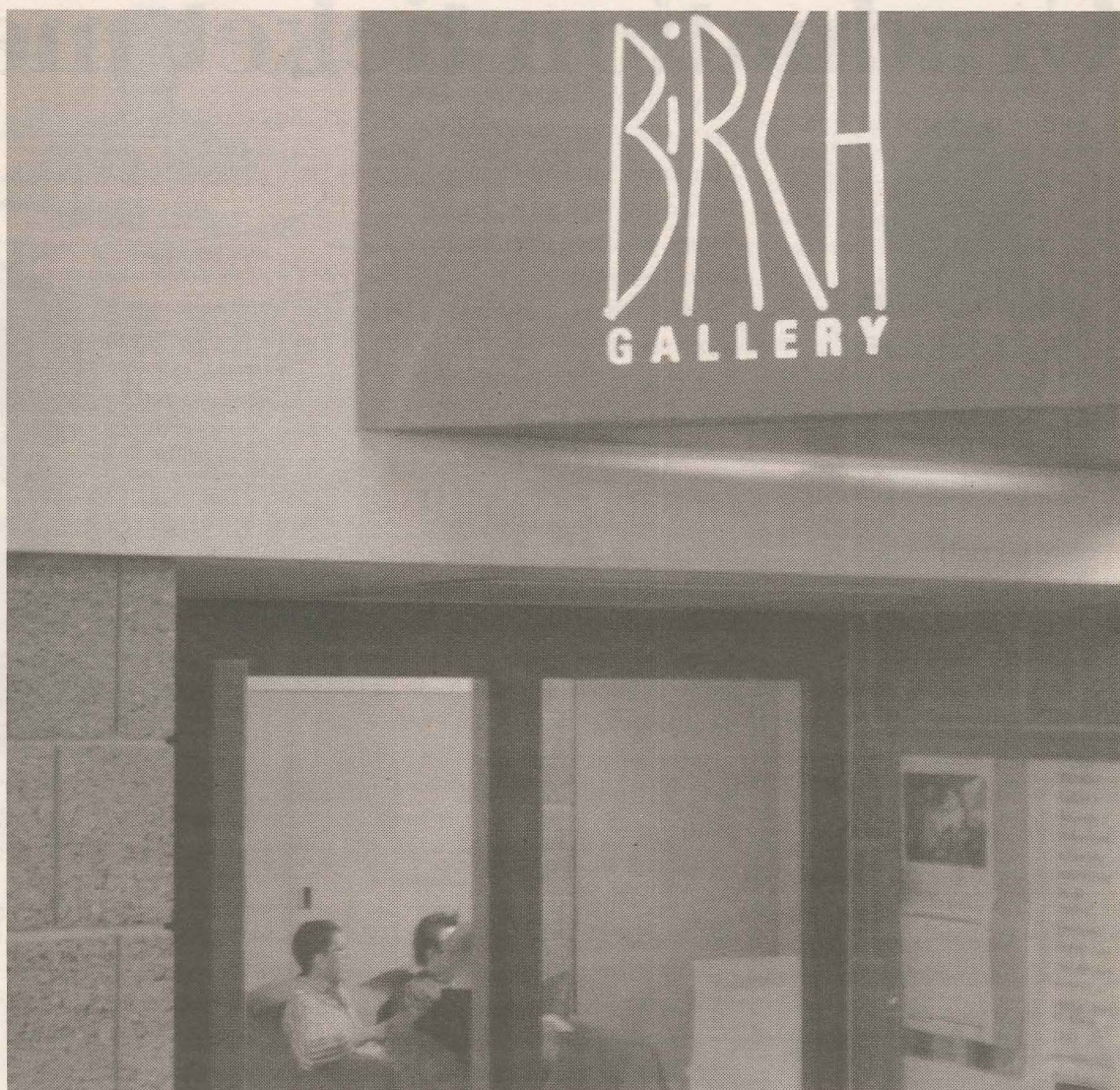
The gallery is open to encourage more awareness about ethnicity, sexual orientation, gender, physical ability, faith tradition, age, social class, veteran status and other topics that make up social groups.

A program that already took place this semester in the gallery is Inter Group Dialogue (<http://www.uwstout.edu/getinvolved/dialogueseries.htm>). This is a time, once a week, where a group of students get together and talk about diversity issues from their own perspectives.

Anyone is able to join the dialogue with the simple rule that they are able to attend each meeting. There will be another opportunity to join the spring semester of this group after Winter term.

The gallery will officially have their grand opening at the end of Feb. 2006. Everyone is welcome and encouraged to attend the forum.

If anyone is unable to attend but has input they would like to include, or for more information, contact McManus at mcmanusm@uwstout.edu.



Drew Retherford/Stoutonia

The Birch Gallery used to be a meeting room for all of the different organizations. This year it is being transformed into a room with unlimited resources on diversity.

Golf degree to be offered QOL/trends

By Lindsey Schudt
News Editor

Last year the University of Wisconsin-Stout announced they would be introducing a certificate for Golf Management to add to the many certificates already offered.

This year, UW-Stout has announced that in Jan. 2006 they will be offering a degree in Golf Enterprise Management (GEM).

"The B.S. in GEM is planned in response to golf industry encouragement to address their management needs," said John Wesolek, dean of the College of Human Development. "UW-Stout's current programs in hospitality and tourism, customer service and general business

administration, and our long distance learning capabilities have helped to position the university for this new program."

The program will prepare students for an entry-level management position in the golfing industry with many skills related to golf.

The degree includes current curriculum from UW-Stout and three other courses that were gained through collaborations with UW-River Falls.

"While existing golf management programs stress player aptitude, the new GEM degree will place emphasis on developing business management skills related to golf," said Tom Franklin, GEM program director.

"The new program is not about playing the game of golf,

but it is about the business of golf. We believe this new degree will entice greater numbers of women and minorities to plan careers in golf course management and golf-related fields."

The National Golf Course Owners Association (NGCOA) Board of Directors all voted in favor of endorsing the new degree at UW-Stout.

"This is the only endorsement of its kind ever conferred by the NGCOA, and was only given after much consideration," said Mike Hughes, NGCOA Chief Financial Officer.

All of the local golf industry is supporting the degree.

"We are most mindful of the need for a new generation of golf course people," said Henry DeLozier, golf course owner.

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had not changed, 25 percent said they drank more, 26.8 percent said they drank less and 4.2 percent said they started drinking.

Equally compelling was the data collected regarding grades. 57.7 percent of students considered their GPA to be very important and 60.2 percent of students expect their GPA to be between a 3.0 and 3.49 upon graduation. However, 28.4 percent of students miss at least one class in the average week.

Regardless, UW-Stout students are studying hard. 32 percent of students study 5-9 hours a week, 31.9 percent study 10-19 hours a week, 11.9 percent study 20-29 hours per week and 4.1 percent study an upward

of 30 hours a week. On top of that, the average student is only sleeping 7 hours per night.

Last year's surveys combined with student and parent comments contributed to one major change on campus this year. Most students know that this year was the first year that freshmen are mainly on south campus and upper classmen mainly on north campus. This proposal was made by Scott Griesbach to give freshmen a better first year experience.

Though the quality of life surveys may not produce essential information, it is still an opportunity for students to voice their feelings about residence life. This may produce changes in the coming years.

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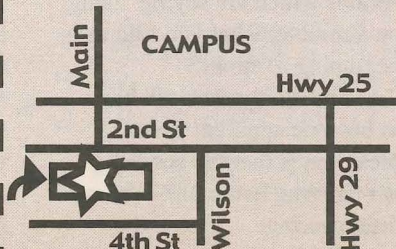
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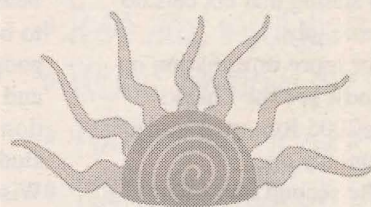
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Graduation ticket melee has begun



Staff Editorial The Stoutonia Staff

It's that time of year again. Don't worry, I'm not talking about Christmas yet.

No, it's time to pick up graduation tickets, which apparently is not as simple as it may seem.

Each student is allotted five tickets. And each student is supposed to get these five tickets whether they want that many or not, with absolutely no exceptions.

If a student doesn't want that many, they prob-

ably could just be left at the Service Center in the Memorial Student Center where they are picked up. Who's going to stop them from doing this?

But what if a student wants more?

Tickets are not supposed to be sold, but that's not stopping some from doing this anyway.

When this subject was brought up at *The Stoutonia's* weekly meeting many students thought that if someone didn't want that many tickets they should be able to leave them for someone else who may have a larger family and would need more tickets.

Some students are taking things into their own hands. E-mail inboxes are rapidly filling up with mass forwards.

Some of these are students looking for more tickets, some are wanting to be removed from the list and some are just random good-byes to classmates.

The reasoning behind all this madness is the limited amount of space.

There is only so much seating, so there can only be so many tickets.

Some friends or family members even end up standing to watch the ceremony.



Regardless of whether this is something that is planned for or not, it is bound to happen.

After all, if you happen to have six family members that all want to attend your graduation, how do you tell one of them they can't come?

This seems a little harsh. There is one alternative.

Closed circuit viewing of the ceremony is available in the Grandview Terrace in the MSC.

But watching your son or daughter, brother or sister walk across that stage for most likely the only time

in their life on a video just doesn't seem like it would be quite the same.

So what else could be done to help this problem of a lack of space? The amount of students on campus is only increasing, which means that the graduating class is also going to expand.

One solution could be to move the ceremony to a bigger area. This would make things easier on the students. They wouldn't have to pick and choose who could come to their graduation.

Some colleges hold their end of the year ceremony outside. So why couldn't we do this?

Don and Nona Williams Stadium would be a perfect place to hold a much larger amount of people.

And in the case of rain, there could always be an alternative location where the ceremony could be held.

If the graduation ceremony never gets moved to a larger area, it is just going to continue to get more and more crowded.

And no matter what, there are going to be some students who will sell or even give away their tickets.

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Michael Graney Columnist

Two important things have broken in the news since the last issue of *The Stoutonia*.

First, a study was released by United for a Fair Economy (UFE) stating that tax cuts do not create jobs.

For more information on this study, see the Thanksgiving 2005 Report at www.faireconomy.org.

The second important story that broke is the impending layoff of 30,000 people by General Motors.

Taken separately, they both make up some bad news. But when those are combined and reported within a week of each other, it makes the otherwise bad news even worse.

GM is closing down some factories which have been around for 50 years. These factories have become the main employers in whole towns. Small businesses have sprung

up to respond to demands in these towns.

GM laying off and closing the plants won't just impact the employees, but will have an affect on the whole town.

One just has to go around and look at towns in rural Kansas where the train was the main source of revenue for the town. Now the town is dead. Buildings have disappeared and become modern ghost towns.

This will change from being just a quaint small town to being small cities. 30,000 people is the equivalent of one and one half of the population of Menomonie (including students at the University of Wisconsin-Stout).

Now, tax cuts for the wealthiest of Americans are supposed to make jobs magically appear through the trickle down effect. This report illustrates a harsh wake up call to the government. This idea doesn't work. Taxes do not have a measurable direct affect on the economy.

The only things the Bush tax cuts have accomplished are increasing the federal deficit and giving the rich more money.

With the two political par-

ties in power being made up almost entirely of millionaires, why talk against it?

Do they actually know what is best for the country, or do they just do what is best for their pocketbooks?

Can people learn from this data? Can our president realize the reality of the situation and change economic policies that have been pushing tax cut after tax cut through as a faulty panacea (more like a heroin addict's addiction)?

Reality is a harsh mistress. Reality is an unforgiving, cruel mistress who one must adapt to.

Can our president adjust to such a reality shattering his dreams?

Will he wall himself off and listen to yes-men that tell him what he wants to hear? Will he try to discredit other organizations which are saying "hang on a minute, what you told us is beginning to stink."

The reality that will have to become apparent to our president is that the economy isn't getting better and jobs are disappearing.

GM has a cruel reality to meet as well. The first is the

Tax cut study released, GM employees laid off



Letters to the Editor

If you wish to submit a Letter to the Editor, letters can be sent to stoutonia@uwstout.edu. Letters must be no longer than 250 words and must be submitted by 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday in order to run in that week's issue.

Stop the distasteful writing

Regarding Mr. Legg's article, distasteful, disrespectful writing needs to come to an end.

A saying like "freedom isn't free" is a tribute to all the veterans of our armed forces who have given their time and in many cases lives to keep our freedom.

It is also a way to show to their families that we as a country appreciate their noble sacrifice.

It may be a little clichéd, but we need to remember how fragile the freedom we have is and those who sacrificed themselves to give it to us and keep it.

Your article had little to do with the issue of freedom, but was instead merely a

podium for you to complain about our elected officials.

I think that you only used it in order to get people to read your article which would have been passed over having a different title.

If you want to attack the current administration, go ahead, that is your right.

But, please do it a little more tastefully than by also attacking what has given you that right; the freedom that wasn't "handed" to us, but had to be paid for with the ultimate sacrifice.

When you belittle an expression such as this, you belittle what it stands for, and there is no room for such a disrespectful attitude in our society.

Robert Turpin



Brian Legg
Columnist

I love my country. I love the freedom I enjoy, the luxuries available to me and the necessities I take for granted. I love it all and I wouldn't trade it for anything. But that's just me.

I'm willing to bet that somewhere out there exist people who think they've got it better than we do. And maybe they're right.

The reason I have chosen this topic is due to a commercial I saw over Thanksgiving break.

It goes like this: There is a small SUV driving through the jungle and some tribal music playing. The vehicle approaches a small village of native looking people. The shot goes to the interior of the vehicle where some similar looking natives are playing the music and stop as they realize the trip is over. They look sad. The vehicle drops them off and drives away.

This seemingly benign advertisement hit home for me a feeling I've had of late.

The idea that somehow America knows what's best for the world and that the world

envies us, or at least they had better envy us.

I'm not saying I want to live in a jungle, but maybe some people do. And shouldn't that be okay?

It began from the time we set foot on this country and saw nothing but a barren wilderness full of savages.

We felt compelled to tame the wilderness and convert the savages either willingly or by force. That was 500 years ago, yet the sentiment still persists.

Whether it is in the Middle East, China, the Amazon Rainforests or the Alaskan Coastline, wherever there are people who don't live like we do, there exists not only an opportunity but an obligation: an obligation to convert self-sufficiency into dependency, an obligation to switch ethnic food with its fast-food counterpart and to replace native traditions with Christianity.

Yes, I said it. This is the new crusade, and its foundations lie most definitely in Evangelical Christianity, though its momentum is no longer driven by salvation, but rather profits and politics.

The American dream isn't just for Americans anymore.

We demand too much money for our labor. Now the American dream is the carrot we dangle in front of the world,

hoping they'll agree with our destructive practices.

For thousands of years, native people existed in parts of the world where they remained self-sufficient and lived in harmony with their environment.

Eventually, these people will all be displaced if we continue on the path we are on today. That destructive path is intimately linked with the mentality that our way is the best way for everyone.

Chances are we will see the results of this order of thinking as the Chinese begin to take us up on our offer.

Think about what happens when 1.3 billion people start acting as careless and wasteful as Americans. Think that oil up in Alaska is coming here? Think again.

Next time you see an image of a tribe living a supposedly primitive existence, think about how they'll be just fine when the oil runs out.

It's tough to imagine now, but that commercial I described might go something like this in the not too distant future:

A car driving some natives to a village runs out of gas. The natives teach their former foreign escorts how to survive on what the land provides. The car gets broken up and turned into hunting weapons and shelter. The couple lives happily ever after.

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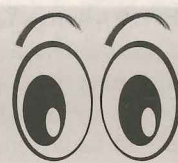
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Drug abuse, not just recreational

By Jennifer Gauthier
Campus Writer

There's so much pressure—especially in college—to be better, smarter, faster, more alert and to do well on the field and in the classroom. In the past, there's been a lot of hype about "recreational" drugs, like marijuana, cocaine, alcohol, and heroin. Lately, experts are noticing increasing rates of drugs used for academic and athletic performance.

College students, aged 18 to 20, have the highest rate of drug use of any age group.

"I had a friend who did Adderall and Ritalin to help her do homework," said Jenna Brandenburg, a human development and family studies major.

"I think it's sometimes easier to justify drug use if it's to do something better, but that can be worse because people equate its use with their success," said Brandenburg. People start off with something that doesn't seem so bad and things just get carried away, especially when you feel like you're doing something good for your life."

A study done by the University of Minnesota found that 7 percent of college students nationally have used prescription stimulants for non-medical purposes and names the three pre-

scription drugs most commonly used for non-medical purposes: Ritalin, Dexedrine and Adderall. All three are stimulants prescribed to treat attention deficit hyperactive disorder.

"I don't take my prescribed Adderall on a regular basis," said Ryan Shilt, a freshman majoring in computer science.

"It hurts me during class in the morning because I can't concentrate, but I double up on them at night when I need to do homework so I can get things done," said Shilt. When I use it, I actually want to do things and can sit down and concentrate and get work done, whereas otherwise I wouldn't be able to."

The short-term effects of these medications are similar to cocaine. They are generally used for their ability to reduce fatigue and appetite as well as increase concentration and energy levels.

"I used Ritalin for a while, even before I went into high school, before I had even had a drink," said Megan Sullivan, a

freshman majoring in psychology. "They perk you up, take away all your desire to eat, and make you feel capable, even a little fearless."

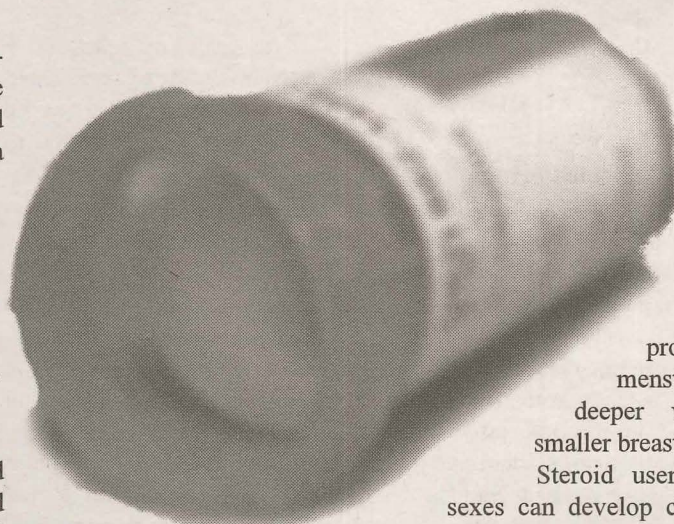
Long-term effects of abusing these medications can include complete loss of appetite, muscle twitching, fevers, convulsions, headaches, irregular heartbeat, anxiety, restlessness and paranoia.

Once associated only with body builders, fitness buffs and professional athletes, steroid use among high school and college athletes is at an all-time high.

More and more college athletes

want an edge, to gain muscle and strength fast and to be able to train harder.

Steroid use is a problem propelled by the fact that they work: physicians and coaches report significant increases in muscle mass, strength and endurance as a result of steroid use. Men are more likely to abuse steroids, but the rate is growing fastest



problems with menstrual cycle, deeper voice and smaller breasts.

Steroid users of both sexes can develop chronic aggressive or violent behavior, depression, heart disease, headaches, kidney and liver problems, high blood pressure and stomach aches.

Taking drugs to do better in sports or school isn't better or safer than taking drugs for recreational use. If they aren't being used for medical reasons, it isn't fair for the other players on the field or the other students in the classroom.

No test is worth possible long-term health consequences. Success in athletics isn't worth changing to look like someone of the opposite sex or losing control and hurting or killing someone.

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Student hopes for a new life after surgery

By Renee Currington
Campus Editor

We often go through our daily lives without having to think very hard about the basic things of life.

Most of us probably eat when we're hungry and then rely on our bodies to take care of the complicated process of turning the food into energy. If we forget

to eat occasionally, we can make up for it later.

Whenever we need to go somewhere, most of us are able to simply get up and walk there.

Imagine worrying about not having enough energy to walk around campus, like how we worry about running out of gas while driving.

Those who suffer from dia-

betes must constantly be concerned about their blood sugar or glucose, which is the substance we derive from food that we need for energy.

According to the American Diabetes Association, Type I diabetes affects as many as 1 or 2 million in America.

With Type I diabetes, the pancreas fails to produce the insulin that allows body cells to use blood sugar for energy. The result is low energy levels and high blood sugar levels.

Cassy Bourget, a business senior, was diagnosed with Type I diabetes at the age of four. She can still recall that turbulent time when her parents took her to the doctor.

"I was so feisty, it took 4 male doctors to hold me down," said Bourget. "They came at me with needles and I was so scared."

Since that time, diabetes has become a part of her reality; it's something that she has to be conscious about every day of her life.

"First on my list of importance is my diabetes," said Bourget. "It pretty much controls everything I do."

Bourget's condition was even further complicated when she suffered a head injury when she was 11 years old. Because of the brain

injury, it is even more difficult for her to deal with diabetes.

"Because of my brain injury, I forget to take my shots and check my blood sugar," said Bourget.

Bourget follows a strict daily schedule that determines when she eats every meal or snack. Each day, she also must take two insulin shots and poke her fingers four times to check her blood sugar periodically.

"I've had my ups and downs," said Bourget. "When my blood sugar gets low I get really weak and I can't control what I'm doing."

Due to sudden bouts of fatigue during her daily activities, Bourget uses a motorized cart for assistance. When she is more active, she needs to eat more to sustain her energy level. Sugar lows can also be brought on by stress.

After 17 years of dealing with diabetes, Bourget finally has a chance to be cured.

She is on a waiting list for a new pancreas. According to the physicians at the Rochester Mayo Clinic, candidates for this type of transplant could wait from six months to a year.

However, Bourget may get one sooner because her blood type is AB, which means she can accept a pancreas from a donor of

any blood type.

While there is much for her to be hopeful about, in some ways, Bourget is as scared as she is happy. It isn't only the risks of the procedure that make her feel this way. It is the profound way the surgery will change her life.

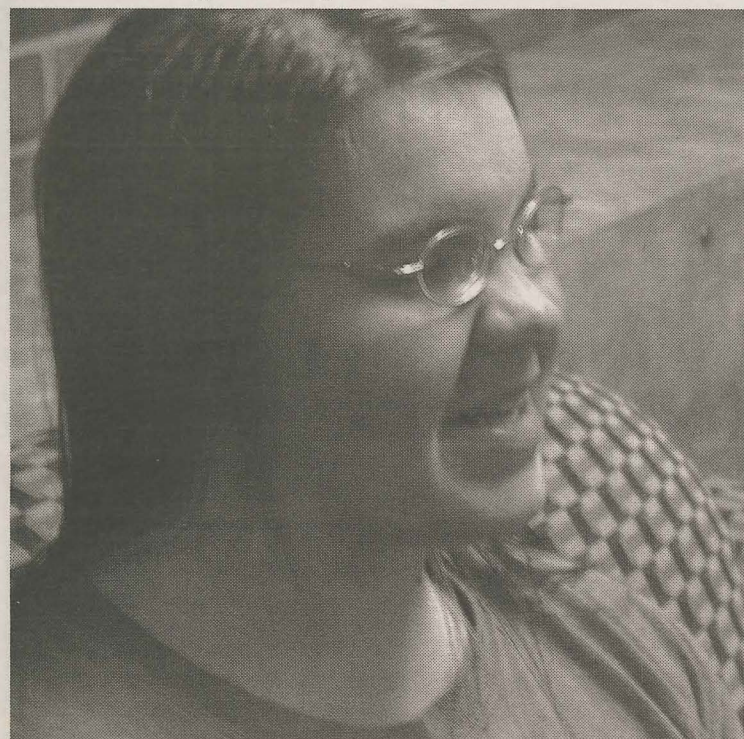
"After I went to Rochester I cried a lot and was hysterical because diabetes is a part of me and a part of my life," said Bourget.

"If and when I get the transplant it will change my life so much in every aspect," said Bourget. "I won't be so dependent on my scooter, I won't have to worry about my shots and checking my sugar; I'll just be able to go and eat."

The transplant operation involves a one-week stay in the hospital and an additional 4-6 weeks for recovery.

For the first year after the surgery, she will still require a lot of medical attention until she finds out if her diabetes has been successfully cured.

"I've met a couple different girls who have had the surgery and they've done fine," said Bourget. "My relatives also know people who have had these kinds of transplants; they're very excited for me because they know how much trouble I've had."



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Cassy Bourget, who has dealt with Type I diabetes for 17 years, is waiting for a new pancreas. Successful surgery could change her life.

Past entertainers at Stout



Katie Triphan
Columnist

Try to think of something that this hodge-podge list of people all have in common: Carrot Top, Billy Joel, Maria von Trapp and Helen Keller. Scratching your head yet? Well, you should be, unless you happened to somehow guess that they were all famous people who at some point came and entertained students at the University Wisconsin-Stout.

In 1919, Helen Keller came and spoke to the students of UW-Stout. If you do not know who she is, however, it's hard to understand what an accomplishment it was for Helen Keller to speak, let alone give a speech.

Shortly after Keller was born, she experienced a fever that rendered her deaf and blind. Annie Sullivan Macy became Keller's teacher five years later and dedicated her life to teaching Keller to communicate by spelling into her hand. Mrs. Macy worked with speech specialists to teach Keller to speak. Eventually, Keller went on to college, graduating cum laude from Radcliffe.

Though it may be a small

task for us, it was a great feat for Keller to travel the world and make speeches as she did. Her presence on our campus nearly a hundred years ago is something to truly boast of.

Nearly 30 years later, UW-Stout students were given another great opportunity to experience personage with remarkable history: Maria von Trapp and The Trapp Family Singers.

For those of you who are not familiar with these performers, Baroness Maria von Trapp is the famous person whose character was played by Julie Andrews in the popular 1965 movie based on Roger and Hammerstein's play "The Sound of Music."

Differing somewhat from the play and movie, in real life The Trapp Family Singers were comprised of Maria von Trapp, her seven daughters and one son. The event was sponsored by St. Joseph's church and took place in November of 1947. The family performed in peasant costumes from their native home in Tyrol, Austria, and sang folk songs, madrigals and classical music.

Skipping ahead nearly another 30 years to 1974, Billy Joel appeared here with Brewer & Shipley. You might recognize their song "One Toke Over

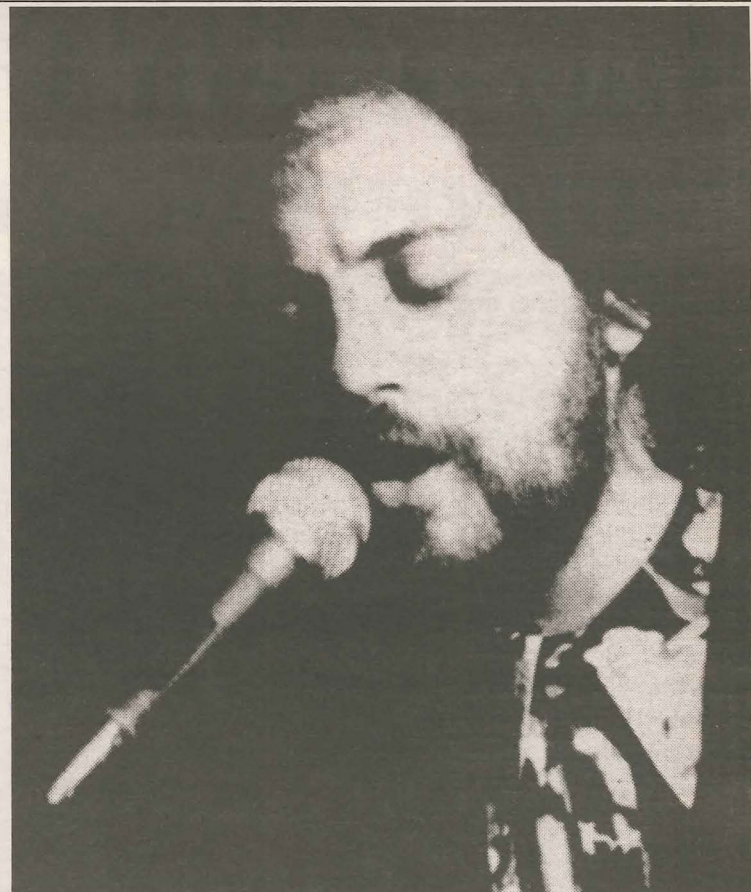
the Line" featured in "Fear and Loathing in Las Vegas."

Although Joel was already garnering respect as a music artist, for some reason the crowd was not nearly the size it should have been for someone so talented; roughly a meager seven hundred students were in attendance. Joel's performance was stellar despite the disappointing turn out. He walked out on stage, sat down on a little black stool in front the audience and performed such songs as "Piano Man," "Captain Jack" and "Ballad of Billy the Kid."

So again, for a final time, let us jump nearly another 30 years into the future to 1996 when a huge amount of the entertainment budget was spent bringing Carrot Top to the campus.

Apparently, seeing this comedian perform was quite the event. He took the stage "admitted a great laser light and music show." He impersonated Alanis Morissette, Michael Jackson, The Doors and The Village People. Carrot Top stayed after the show to sign autographs, stuck around for close to an hour and even allowed the school newspaper an interview.

When a reporter asked Carrot Top his real name, he replied that he could not say, "because if I did, I would have to kill you." He went on to explain that all



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Over the past 100 years, Maria von Trapp and the Trapp Family Singers, Billy Joel and Carrot Top have entertained at UW-Stout.

his jokes are improv, there is no set order and even his props are often determined minutes before the show. "Sometimes I sit down with McGyver, and we whip one up quick," he said.

These events span roughly eighty years of entertainment in UW-Stout's history. I won't speculate that our trend of having someone profound appear

on campus every thirty years is totally stunted. Instead, I will suggest Carrot Top's presence as being the result of a desperate need for students to experience some comedy. After all, he was funny during his short-lived career, even if no one knows who he is today unless they watch VH1. Who will be entertaining students thirty years from now?

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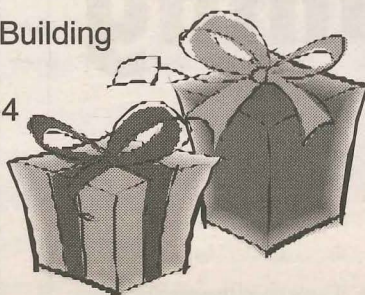
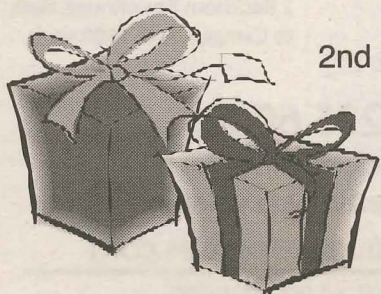
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Stay warm with homemade soup

By Amanda Schroeder
Campus Writer

As winter approaches, there is nothing better than going home to a nice bowl of hot soup. It is one of the best foods on a cold winter night. It also provides a very nutritious meal, usually containing a lot of vegetables and very little fat.

There are many different kinds of soups. According to Wikipedia Encyclopedia, "Soup is a savory liquid food made by boiling ingredients such as meat, vegetables and beans in stock or hot water until the flavor is extracted, forming a broth."

Soups are classified into two groups: clear soups and thick soups. Clear soups include bouillon and consommés. These are very rich in flavor, but are not filling or heavy. To make a bouillon or a consommé, meat, vegetables and seasonings are simmered in a pot with liquid until the desired flavor is reached, then it is strained off leaving only the liquid to be served.

Thick soups are classified by what they are thickened with. Purees are vegetable soups thickened with starch, bisques are pureed shellfish soups thickened with cream, and cream soups are thickened with a béchamel

sauce, which is a mixture of butter, flour, and milk.

"The only two things in my cupboard are usually bean soup and macaroni and cheese," said Elissa Schauer, a senior in art education who loves soup.

Making your own soup is much healthier than buying canned; it is also cheaper and almost as easy. Canned soups are very high in sodium, and canned creamed soups are very high in fat. When making your own, you can control the ingredients that you put in, making it as healthy as you like.

Most soups also freeze easily, so big batches can be made and frozen in quart size Ziploc bags and reheated easily in the microwave. The only soups that don't freeze well are cream or milk based soups.

For a homemade touch on canned soup try this recipe for Easy Tortilla Soup. Try adding corn or black beans for extra flavor. Courtesy of www.allrecipes.com.

Easy Tortilla Soup

2 (10.5 oz) cans condensed chicken and rice soup
10 oz can diced tomatoes with green chili peppers
1 (8 oz) can tomato sauce

8 oz tortilla chips
4 oz shredded cheddar cheese

1. In a medium saucepan combine soup, tomatoes and tomato sauce. Bring just to a boil and remove from heat. Place some of the tortilla chips in the bottom of a bowl and sprinkle with some of the cheese. Pour soup over the top of the chips.

Broccoli cheese soup is a favorite among many people. Try this creamy soup recipe courtesy of www.allrecipes.com. Fresh broccoli could be substituted for the frozen broccoli and cheddar cheese could be substituted for part of the Velveeta cheese. This recipe makes a big portion, so you might want to scale it down a little bit or be sure to invite some friends over for dinner.

Broccoli Cheese Soup

3 (10 oz) packages frozen broccoli
3 (14.5 oz) cans chicken broth
6 Tbsp. butter
1 onion, chopped
1/2 cup all purpose flour
2 cups milk
1-1/2 pounds Velveeta
1 pinch ground pepper



Grandma's Chicken Noodle Soup

1. In a large pot, simmer broccoli in broth for 10 minutes. In a separate skillet over medium heat, melt butter; add the onions and sauté for 5 minutes or to the desired tenderness.

2. Add the flour to the onions and stir well, forming a pasty substance. Gradually add the milk and stir until thick. Add this mixture to the broccoli mixture in the pot and stir well. Add the cheese and stir until melted; finally, add the pepper. Be careful not to let the soup boil or the cheese will break down.

3. If desired, thin soup with a little extra milk.

Classic chicken noodle soup is delicious for dinner and can be the perfect cure when you're sick. This soup would also freeze very well. This recipe is courtesy of www.allrecipes.com.

2-1/2 cups wide egg noodles
1 tsp. vegetable oil
12 cups chicken broth
Salt to taste
1 tsp. poultry seasoning
1 cup each chopped celery and onion
1/3 cup cornstarch
1/4 cup water
3 cups diced, cooked chicken

1. Cook egg noodles with oil according to package directions. Drain the noodles and rinse under cool running water.

2. In a large pot, combine broth, salt and poultry seasoning and bring to a boil. Stir in celery and onion. Reduce heat, cover and simmer 15 minutes.

3. In a small bowl, mix cornstarch and water together until cornstarch is completely dissolved. Gradually add to soup, stirring constantly. Stir in noodles and chicken and heat through.

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Cloud Cult pretentious, annoying



Mike Ryan

Entertainment Writer

The fuzzy guitar, screeching vocals and progressive drum beats of Cloud Cult draw immediate comparisons to the now-defunct group At The Drive In, but all the while I couldn't help noticing something was lacking. The songs in the set were put together well, but something kept nagging at me.

As guitars strummed and the vocals were belted out, my eyes wandered about the set and noticed a painter onstage, timing his strokes vaguely with the music and attempting to express each note in his work. Also included in the set was a video screen playing random, edgy clips as the band played in the background.

As minutes passed and I observed all of the band's stage gimmickry, I was finally able to pinpoint the difference between the two bands: At The Drive In never thought they were At The Drive In. Cloud Cult's overly elaborate set was neither necessary nor effective. Over the course of their set, I became increasingly an-



Kyle Van Note/Stoutonia

Gimmicky, derivative and irritating, Cloud Cult's set was neither necessary nor effective. Groups like At The Drive In did it better.

nnoyed by the band's demeanor, as I found myself wondering when the 15-minute drum solo was coming. Unfortunately, it never did.

So if you're not bothered by pretension and you're into groups like Bluetip and At The Drive In, Cloud Cult might be right up your alley. Just don't expect to have your

perceptions challenged by their contrived onstage accessories.

You may be thinking, in light of my recent cynicism, "Wow, how many things does this guy detest?" I assure you that the only two things in this world that bother me are excessive Jack Johnson covers and onstage painters.



Another lame TV gimmick

NBC's "Medium" goes 3-D. Who cares?



Matt Schubbe

Entertainment Writer

Not so long ago—about a week ago to be precise—I had the distinct ... let's call it "pleasure" of watching an episode of NBC's psychically powered crime show "Medium."

In case you've never seen the show, it centers on the exploits of special investigator Allison DuBois, a psychic who uses her abilities to talk to the dead and obtain "reads" from crime scenes to uncover clues for catching crooks.

But I'm not about to discuss the story arc or characters of this series. Neither is particularly worthy of note. Rather, this article is about the rising use of 3-D in television. You see, I got to view this show in glorious, gimmicky 3-D, complete with dorky glasses that I got free from the local NBC affiliate.

The question I found myself asking at the end of the episode was: "What was the point?" Sure, any show that pulls a gimmick such as broadcasting live,

or in this case having certain scenes in 3-D should be given a little credit for trying something different, but in the end you really have to evaluate whether or not it enhanced the experience of watching the show or not.

At first, I thought that the way the 3-D was introduced was clever; each time Allison had a vision, it was time to put on the 3-D glasses, as indicated by an

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Gamers for greater good



Ami Kriho

Entertainment Writer

In 2003, online cartoonists Mike "Gabe" Krahulik and Jerry "Tycho" Holkins brought the gaming community together with the Child's Play Charity, a gamer-driven organization.

Gamers can buy items or send money to one of a number of children's hospitals.

Game companies like Blizzard and Microsoft Game Studios also help sponsor Child's Play.

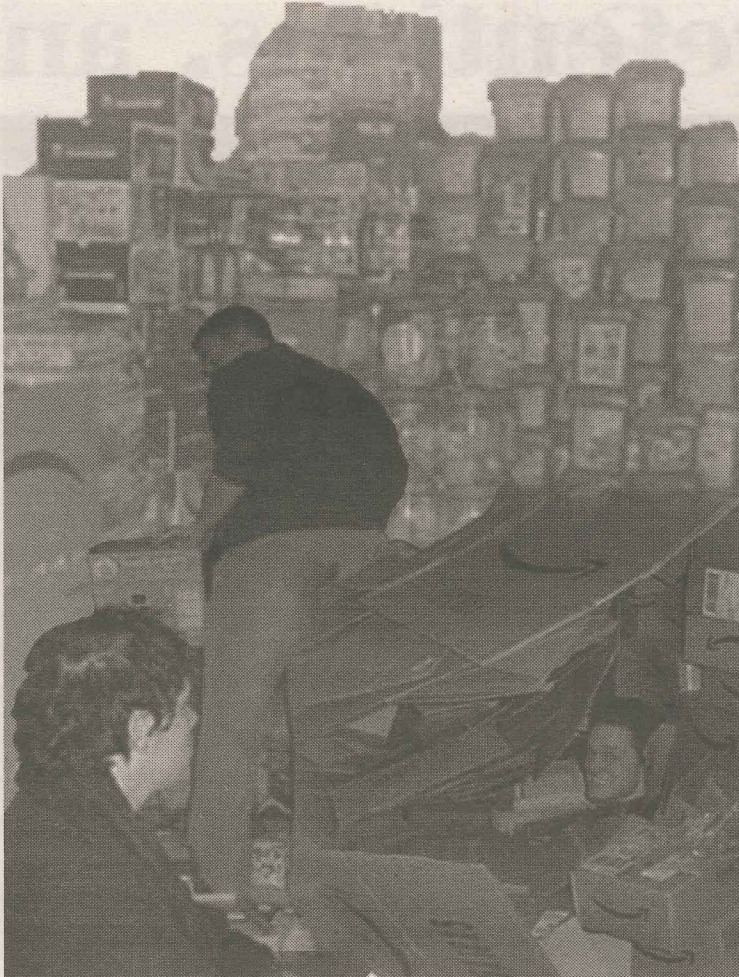
Through Amazon, a "Wish List" for children's hospitals is arranged, and every order processed goes directly to a specified hospital.

While many of the items on the list are age-appropriate video games and gaming systems, there are also movies, books and toys.

The games and game systems are "checked out" for individual children to keep in their rooms for a brief period of time, like checking out a library book.

Other toys are given as personal gifts that the child can take home after he or she leaves the hospital. Monetary donations are split among the hospitals.

The first year, Child's Play raised more than \$250,000 in toys and cash for the Seattle Children's Hospital. In 2004, they expanded to hospitals in Oakland, San Diego, Houston and Washington, D.C., raising more than \$300,000.



Collage: Marta Peters/Stoutonia
Source: www.penny-arcade.com

Child's Play is a charity started by the creators of the popular online comic "Penny Arcade" to help rehabilitate the public image of gamers. Gamers can buy items or send money to children's hospitals. The charity is in its third year.

Add the numbers up, and gamers across the globe have donated more than half a million dollars.

This year, Child's Play has expanded beyond the national borders and is serving hospitals in Canada and London. Along with eleven added hospitals in the United States, Child's Play 2005 is catering to 19 hospitals.

Hospitals are added due to the efforts of individual gamers in those areas who wish to donate a little closer to home.

Child's Play also funds pe-

diatric research programs, one like Hopkin's Hospital-based Online Pediatric Environment (HOPE) of Baltimore, Maryland, a network that allows child patients from different hospitals to meet and befriend each other through gaming.

"Giving hundreds of thousands of dollars worth of toys to children in long-term care is its own reward," said Holkins in an interview about the 2003 event. "It's a way to show a different side of people who play video games."



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TV / 3-D sucks



Matt Schubbe/Stoutonia

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icon on the top left corner of the screen. After a short while, I began to realize that not only were these scenes few and far between, they often contained little to no actual 3-D effects.

You might see a scene of a woman washing her son in a small tub that was shot in 3-D, but since nothing moved toward

or away from the screen, it just felt as if I was watching a TV with a bad screen and faulty color.

Not only that, but the scenes became repetitive very quickly.

Thus far, 3-D TV hasn't been impressive. Let's hope underwhelming visual gimmicks like this don't become a trend.

Lay Dying alive and well



Source: www.smashingmag.com

"Shadows Are Security," the latest release by As I Lay Dying, is a worthy successor to their previous album, "Frail Words Collapse."

Andrew Beckman

Entertainment Writer

It was hard to imagine that "Shadows Are Security," the latest album from metal group As I Lay Dying, could live up to their powerful 2003 release, "Frail Words Collapse."

But As I Lay Dying has done it again. "Shadows Are Security" slices into play with "Meaning In Tragedy," a song in which Jordan Mancino's signature automated double-bass drumming is put front and

center in the mix, which will be welcome news for fans of "Frail Words Collapse."

Mancino's drumming is consistently impressive throughout the album, but is best work is in "Empty Hearts," where the rapid-fire drumming seems to pound right through the speakers.

The guitars once again demonstrate the crisp hooks constructed by Nick Hipa, taking metal guitar work to new heights of complexity and coherence.

The songs are more developed with breakdowns, harmonies and shredding being more strategically placed throughout.

Tim Lambesis, As I Lay Dying's vocalist and front man, once again casts a dark shadow upon the listeners, weaving reflective lyrics with sinister growls.

Though the sound is quite dark, Lambesis's lyrics maintain a surprising amount of depth.

Witness these lyrics from "Confined," the first single off "Shadows": "How quickly I forget, that this is meaningless."

"Shadows Are Security" is by far one of the best metal-core releases of 2005.

As I Lay Dying has composed the album of their career.

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"Goblet" of fresh ideas has run dry



Jarrod Burns and William Butchee

Entertainment Writers

Now 14 years old, Harry Potter (Daniel Radcliffe) is in his fourth year at Hogwarts School of Witchcraft and Wizardry. This school year's events will include the Quidditch World Cup and, later on, the Triwizard Tournament.

After what looks like a terrorist attack on the World Cup, the Triwizard Tournament is relocated to Hogwarts. The tournament is a dangerous test of wizardry due to the severity of the events. Each school is allowed only one student, no younger than 17, to participate.

Even so, a loophole forces Harry Potter into the competition where once again he must prove himself, especially when it becomes clear that there's more at stake than originally thought.

JB: I enjoy children's mov-



What's it Worth?

JB: For hard-core fans only.

WB: Fans only. Maybe read the books.

Source: www.rottentomatoes.com

Harry Potter (left) must explain to his friend Ron that goofy outfits, ugly long hair and awkward moments at school dances are all part of growing up. The uglier parts of puberty are left to the audience's imagination. Suffice to say, not all is magical at Hogwarts.

ies from time to time, especially those heavy in the special effects department.

I have seen a few of the "Harry Potter" movies and, for the most part, enjoyed them.

Unfortunately, "The Goblet of Fire" failed to entertain me in the least.

WB: I watched the first two movies in the series and their fantastical stories have become

increasingly formulaic.

JB: It's bad when a movie uses the same story and situations as other movies in its genre.

It's even worse when a sequel uses the same story and situations as its series predecessors.

This edition lacked the sense of originality and imagination of the previous films.

WB: The true crime is committed when real-life situations

(like a high school dance) are put in to slow the pace of the main story. What were supposed to be funny situations or scenes made me cringe instead of laugh.

JB: The darker and more mature themes of this film had me anticipating some more mature action and adventure. Unfortunately, the amount of action and accompanying special effects were not as bountiful as expected.

WB: Ironically, this film was done on such a high scale that heavily relied on a majority of special effects shots but it actually had many troubles with simple camera shots and angles.

Overall, "Harry Potter and the Goblet of Fire" keeps the story of Harry Potter progressing while ignoring the rules of making an entertaining movie. Not the best of the series by far.

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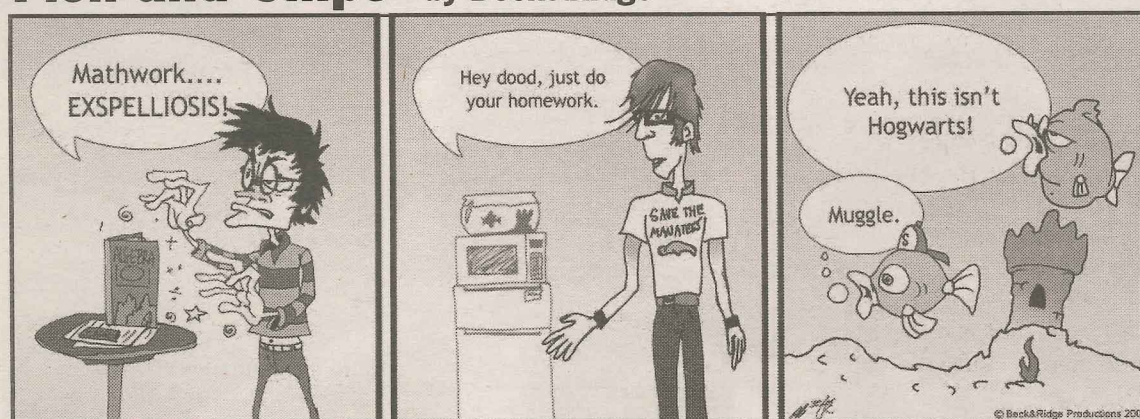
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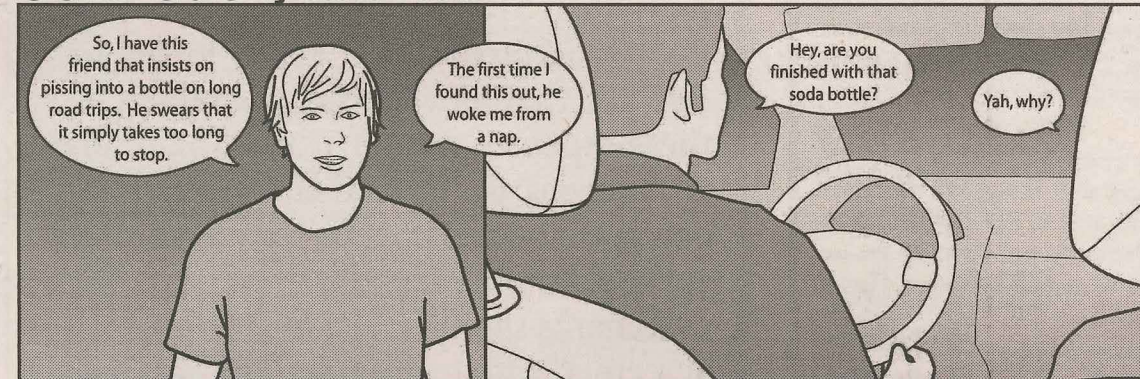
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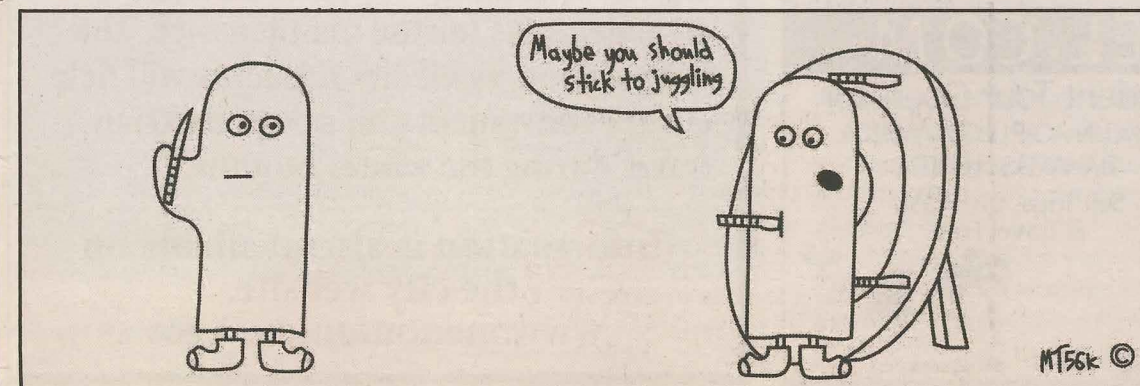
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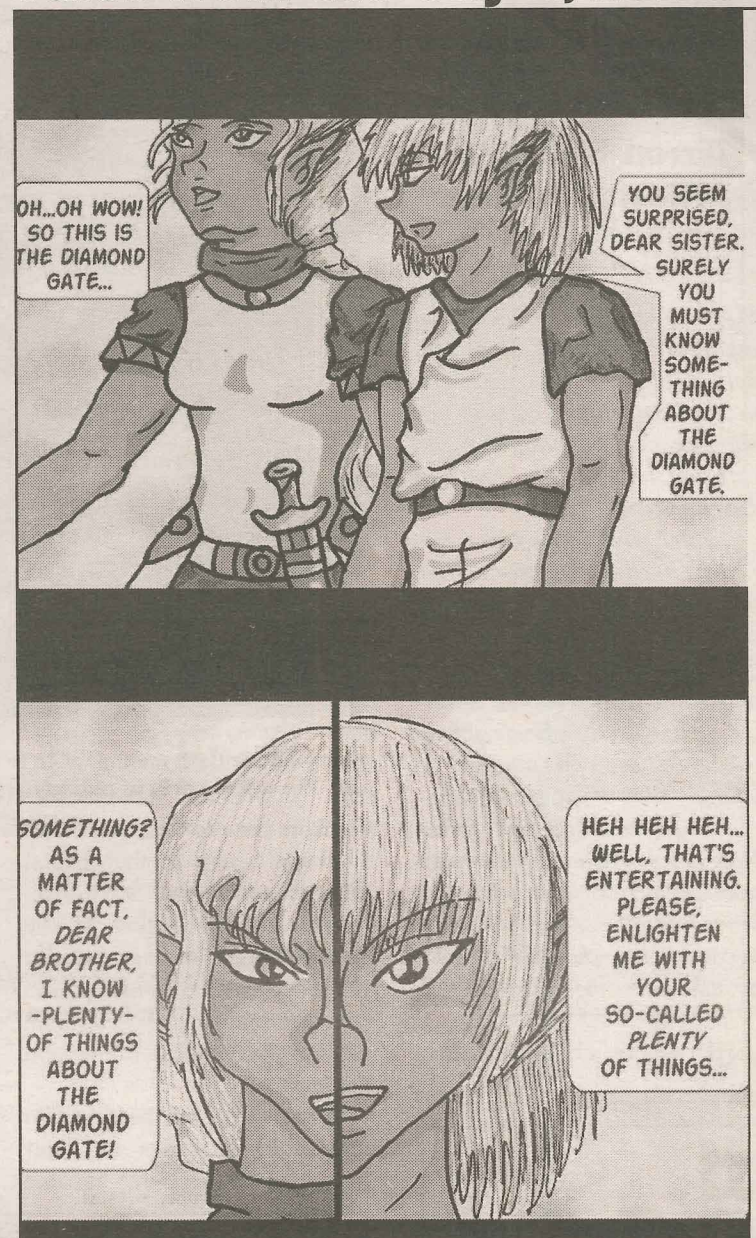
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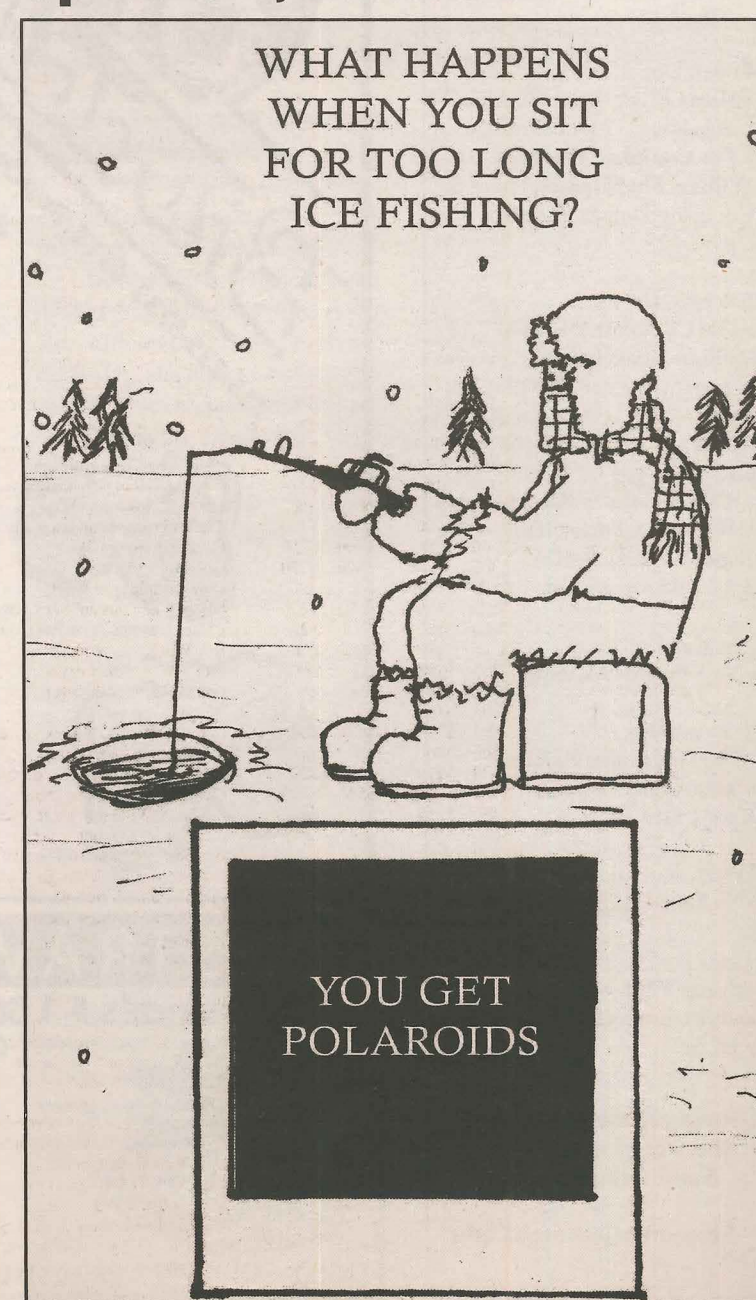
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2 1	1506 6th Street	\$420	\$210	\$590	\$295	Huge bedrooms, enclosed front porch
2 1	414 1/2 12th Avenue West	\$430	\$215	\$540	\$270	Large, great location, parking
2 1	619 13th Avenue	\$430	\$215	n/a	n/a	Inc. heat, WSG hot water, excellent location
2 1	1221 1/2 7th Street	\$440	\$220	n/a	n/a	Inc. heat, WSG, hot water, excellent location
2 1	619 1/2 13th Avenue	\$460	\$230	n/a	n/a	Inc. heat, WSG hot water, excellent location
2 1	1502 10th Street	\$500	\$250	\$650	\$325	Garage, washer/dryer, great house
2 1	802 6th Avenue #6	\$520	\$260	n/a	n/a	Includes all utilities, parking
2 1	802 6th Avenue #5	\$525	\$263	n/a	n/a	Includes all utilities, parking
2 1	421 Wilson Avenue #1	\$540	\$270	n/a	n/a	Inc. heat, WSG, hot water, parking
2 1	421 Wilson Avenue #2	\$540	\$270	n/a	n/a	Inc. heat, WSG, hot water, parking
2 1	421 Wilson Avenue #5	\$540	\$270	n/a	n/a	Inc. heat, WSG, hot water, parking
2 1	421 Wilson Avenue #6	\$540	\$270	n/a	n/a	Inc. heat, WSG, hot water, parking
3 1	1503 7th Street	\$570	\$190	n/a	n/a	Lower duplex, available 8/01/06
3 1	1311 1/2 South Broadway	\$450	\$150	\$535	\$178	Next to campus, washer/dryer
3 1	1311 South Broadway	\$550	\$183	\$700	\$233	Washer/dryer next to campus
3 1	119 West Main Street #3	\$525	\$175	\$675	\$225	Parking and convenient location, nice rooms
3 1	1312 6th Street	\$550	\$183	n/a	n/a	Close to campus, parking
3 1	208 13th Avenue West.	\$600	\$200	n/a	n/a	Lrg. Rooms, gas heat, parking
3 1	921 Main Street #3	\$600	\$200	\$765	\$255	Good location, parking, economical
3 1	802 6th Avenue #4	\$675	\$225	n/a	n/a	Utilities included, parking
3 1	147 1/2 Main Street #B	\$780	\$260	n/a	n/a	Inc. Utilities, W/D great location, very large
4 1	1606 10th Street	\$550	\$138	\$700	\$175	Washer/dryer, new siding
4 1	1120 15th Avenue	\$600	\$150	\$720	\$180	Washer/dryer excellent shape/lrg rooms
4 1	1809 6th Street	\$600	\$150	\$810	\$203	Washer/dryer, gas heat, garage
4 1	309 14th Avenue West	\$600	\$150	\$750	\$188	WD good location, gas heat
4 1	1115 14th Avenue	\$620	\$155	\$800	\$200	Gas heat/garage/large rooms/ W/D hookup

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SR	4 2	1509 South Broadway	\$800	\$200	n/a	n/a	Large house, nice location
SR	4 1	1808 5th Street	\$800	\$200	\$980	\$245	Large rooms, W/D parking, location
A	4 1	915 Main Street	\$800	\$200	\$980	\$245	Good location in duplex, parking
3	4 1.5	414 14th Avenue #1	\$880	\$220	\$1,030	\$258	Mod., high eff. Gas heat, W/D a/c, avail. 8/01/06
6	4 1.5	414 14th Avenue #2	\$880	\$220	\$1,030	\$258	Modern, high eff. Gas heat, W/D a/c
3	4 1.5	414 14th Avenue #4	\$880	\$220	\$1,030	\$258	Modern, high eff. Gas heat, W/D a/c
6	4 1.5	414 14th Avenue #5	\$880	\$220	\$1,030	\$258	Modern, high eff. Gas heat, W/D a/c
6	4 1.5	414 14th Avenue #6	\$880	\$220	\$1,030	\$258	Modern, high eff. Gas heat, W/D a/c
8	4 1.5	414 14th Avenue #7	\$880	\$220	\$1,030	\$258	Modern, high eff. Gas heat, W/D a/c
8	4 1.5	414 14th Avenue #8	\$880	\$220	\$1,030	\$258	Modern, high eff. Gas heat, W/D a/c
8	4 1	1114 7th Street	\$900	\$225	n/a	n/a	Great location, close to campus, garage
A	4 1	121 1/2 12th Avenue West	\$900	\$225	\$1,120	\$280	Large apartment, super location washer/dryer
A	4 1.5	121 12th Avenue West	\$900	\$225	\$1,090	\$273	Large apartment, super location washer/dryer
6	4 1	2235 South Broadway	\$900	\$225	\$1,100	\$275	Large house, parking W/D, great home
3	4 2	1702 6th Street	\$950	\$238	\$1,140	\$285	Lots of space, great location, W/D
D	4 2	602 12th Avenue East	\$1,000	\$250	\$1,210	\$303	New large bedrooms, close to campus
8	4 2	1301 9th Street	\$1,020	\$255	\$1,270	\$318	Beautiful house, garage, location, washer/dryer
6	4 2	1317 8th Street	\$1,040	\$260	\$1,250	\$313	Washer/dryer deck good location
A	4 2	332 1/2 Main Street	\$1,040	\$260	\$1,240	\$310	Huge washer/dryer, deck downtown, parking
A	4 2	1021 8th Street	\$1,100	\$275	\$1,345	\$336	Beautiful house w/decks close to campus W/D
A	5 1	1121 6th Avenue	\$600	\$120	\$860	\$172	Washer/dryer gas heat
8	5 2	512 19th Avenue West	\$750	\$150	\$1,000	\$200	Large, parking, 2 family rooms
6	5 2	516 19th Avenue West	\$750	\$150	\$1,000	\$200	Large, parking, 2 family rooms
8	5 1	1320 6th Street	\$820	\$164	\$1,040	\$208	Washer/dryer, great location
6	5 2	2006 5th Street #A	\$840	\$168	\$1,000	\$200	Washer/dryer, very large, parking
8	5 2	405 20th Avenue	\$850	\$170	\$1,030	\$206	Great house washer/dryer garage, modern
8	5 2	1403 6th Street	\$900	\$180	\$1,180	\$236	Good location, lots of parking, huge rooms
8	5 2	1521 8th Street	\$900	\$180	\$1,145	\$229	Washer/dryer great location
A	5 2	221 12th Avenue West	\$900	\$180	n/a	n/a	Big house, nice location Available 9/02/06
D	5 2	814 10th Street	\$925	\$185	\$1,205	\$241	Lots of rooms on 2 levels, upgrades W/D
4	5 1.5	1107 2nd Street West	\$1,000	\$200	\$1,260	\$252	Good layout/close to campus
6	5 2	2303 3rd Street	\$1,025	\$205	\$1,305	\$261	Detached garage, large, washer/dryer
8	5 2	2006 5th Street #B	\$1,100	\$220	\$1,380	\$276	Newer W/D, has everything
8	5 2	2006 5th Street #C	\$1,100	\$220	\$1,380	\$276	Newer W/D, has everything
D	5 2.5	902 Main Street	\$1,125	\$225	\$1,405	\$281	Great location, W/D, large rooms, fenced yard
D	5 2	1803 7th Street	\$1,150	\$230	\$1,430	\$286	Washer/dryer, parking, good location, large
3	5 2	1708 6th Street #B	\$1,325	\$265	\$1,545	\$309	Washer/dryer, parking, large bedrooms
4	6 1.5	221 4th Street West	\$700	\$117	\$960	\$160	Washer/dryer, gas heat, north campus
4	6 2	1602 8th Street	\$900	\$150	\$1,100	\$183	Washer/dryer, storage, gas heat
D	6 2	504 10th Street	\$900	\$150	\$1,180	\$197	W/D hook-ups, gas heat, large rms.
3	6 2	415 13th Avenue West	\$1,050	\$175	\$1,330	\$222	Modern house very lrg. rooms, good location
3	6 2	1603 7th Street	\$1,170	\$195	\$1,450	\$242	Washer/dryer new carpet, very nice
4	6 2	1415 1/2 8th Street	\$1,200	\$200	\$1,480	\$247	Fabulous newer construction washer/dryer
4	6 2	321 20th Avenue #A	\$1,200	\$200	\$1,445	\$241	New, large bedrooms, washer/dryer
4	6 2	321 20th Avenue #B	\$1,200	\$200	\$1,445	\$241	New, large bedrooms, washer/dryer
4	6 2	321 20th Avenue #C	\$1,200	\$200	\$1,445	\$241	New, large bedrooms, washer/dryer
D	6 2	321 20th Avenue #D	\$1,200	\$200	\$1,445	\$241	New, large bedrooms, washer/dryer
D	6 2	1714 8th Street	\$1,230	\$205	\$1,500	\$250	Large deck, gas heat, washer/dryer
D	6 2	115 1/2 17th Avenue West	\$1,250	\$208	\$1,510	\$252	Newer unit, great location, washer/dryer
D	6 2	115 17th Avenue West	\$1,260	\$210	\$1,510	\$252	Location, washer/dryer Parking
4	6 2	121 1/2 13th Avenue West	\$1,260	\$210	\$1,540	\$257	Large, super location, washer/dryer, newer
4	6 2	408 18th Avenue East	\$1,260	\$210	\$1,520	\$252	Washer/dryer, close to campus, great home,
4	7 2	220 12th Avenue West	\$1,190	\$170	\$1,415	\$202	Great location, washer/dryer
H	7 2	1321 2nd Street West	\$1,400	\$200	\$1,700	\$243	Large house, 1 blk. from campus
6	7 2	820 11th Street	\$1,600	\$229	\$1,900	\$271	Newly remodeled, washer/dryer, fabulous house
6	8.25	121 12th Ave W	\$1,800	\$225	\$2,010	\$251	Large house, W/D, across from stadium

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Sports Briefs

The University of Wisconsin-Stout men's soccer team tied for second place in their bracket at nationals in Alabama the week of Nov. 18.

UW-Stout finished the national tournament 1-2. The team lost its first game to the University of California-Berkeley 2-0 and dropped its second to North Dakota State University 2-0. They picked up their lone win of the tournament with a 3-1 defeat of Georgia Southern University.

"I was really happy with the way we played at the tournament in our games, especially the last one," said coach Mo Basurto. "Instead of shutting down after we got scored on, we got over the hump to win and dominate that team."

Following the tournament, the team voted on its end of the year awards. Senior goalie Nick Erdmann was named the team's MVP, freshman defender Matt Browne was nominated the hardest working, junior Troy Mendrzycki was named the toughest defender, while sophomore midfielder Andrew Favorite and freshman forward John Nordby tied for the most improved player.

Kelsey Duoss scored a game-high 15 points to boost

the University of Wisconsin-Stout women's basketball team as the Blue Devils (3-1) trounced Northland College 83-43 in Sunday's non-conference game. Duoss also finished the game with three blocked shots to her credit.

Saturday afternoon the UW-Stout men's hockey team bounced back from Friday's 4-0 loss to Bethel (Minn.) University with a 5-2 defeat of Finlandia University during the consolation game of the Division III Hockey Showcase in Blaine, Minn.

The Blue Devil's Andy Wiesner scored two goals, as Mike Elm, Nick Klaren and Scott Sikkink scored one apiece. UW-Stout goalie Mike Stone made 23 saves for the Blue Devils.

The Protect Your Balls Dodgeball Tournament will take place Dec. 10 at 1 p.m. in the Multi Purpose Room of the Johnson Fieldhouse.

The entry fee for the tournament is \$36 for each six player team and the registration deadline is Dec. 6 at noon.

For more information, contact Justen Willemon at willemonj@uwstout.edu or (715) 232-7100.

The tournament is being held to increase awareness for

Favre / take a seat

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hated Vikings?

By sitting Favre, what would the Packers really lose? Rogers couldn't possibly throw any more interceptions; that is for sure.

Currently, Favre ranks second only to Dan Marino in all-time touchdown passes (395) and completions (nearly 4500) and is eleven victories behind John Elway's league record of 148 for quarterbacks. These numbers beg the question: What is Favre playing for?

Is it the money? Is it the records? Is it another shot at a Super Bowl? Is it simply for the love of the game? Who knows?

It's hard to think that Favre looked at the 2005 Green Bay roster before training camp in July and thought this team had a legitimate shot at a championship. When the Packers selected Rogers last April, I thought that would be the last straw for Favre and that he would ride off into the sunset on his lawn mower in his home state of Mississippi.

Hey, it is the NFL, so maybe Favre is thinking that he wants to come back in '06 to a healthy team with a clean slate (and maybe Southern Cal's Reggie Bush as a new teammate). If that's the case,

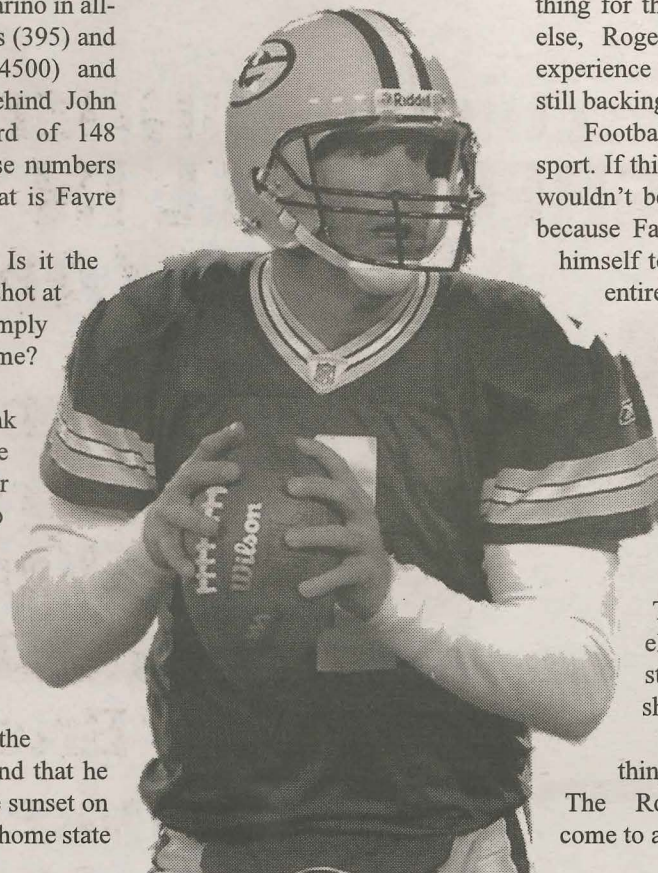
fine, more power to you, Brett.

In the meantime, however, move over and give the kid a chance. There is no doubt that Rogers starting the last five or six games would be the best thing for the Packers. If nothing else, Rogers could gain some experience for next year if he's still backing up Favre.

Football is, after all, a team sport. If this was golf or tennis, I wouldn't be writing this column because Favre would have only himself to worry about, not an entire team.

Make no mistake, Favre, easily the biggest celebrity in Wisconsin over the past decade, will not be benched by coach Mike Sherman, General Manager Ted Thompson or anyone else. Favre will have to step aside himself, and should do just that.

Besides, all good things—except, of course, The Rolling Stones—must come to an end.



Source: <http://www.packers.com>

STOUTONIA'S Athlete OF THE Week

The University of Wisconsin-Stout's Ryan Stangl scored 20 points against Macalester College on Nov. 21 and 13 points versus Northland College Nov. 27 to help boost the Blue Devil men's basketball team to 3-1.

Stangl finished the 2004-05 season with 64 rebounds, 35 assists and 247 points with an average of 10.7 points per game.

In addition, last year, the Stangl scored in the double digits in 15 games and was the team's leading scorer. Stangl also played a total of 24 games during the season, started 20 games and recorded a career-high 21 point game.

The Facts:

Sophomore
Spring Valley, Wis
Early Childhood
Education
Stangl's 20 points
helped the Blue Devils
pick up a win against
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BLUE DEVIL
SCOREBOARDHOCKEY
(6-4-0)

The Blue Devils went 1-1 at the Division III College Showcase as the team dropped a 4-0 loss to Bethel University and beat Finlandia University 5-2

WOMEN'S
BASKETBALL
(4-1)

The Blue Devil basketball team kicked off their Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Conference season on Wednesday with a 82-62 defeat of the University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire.

MEN'S
BASKETBALL
(4-2)

Greg Chaisson scored 17 points to lead the Blue Devils Wednesday as they trounced the University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire 72-35.



Duoss paces the Blue Devils



Drew Retherford/Stoutonia

Kelsey Duoss tallied 19 points and 14 rebounds as the University of Wisconsin-Stout women's basketball team beat the University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire 82-62 at the Johnson Fieldhouse on Wednesday.

Duoss was also 7-for-9 from the freethrow line.

The Blue Devils (4-1, 1-0) held a seven point lead at half-time and plowed on from there.

UW-Stout's Molly Hendricks made key 3-pointers in the first half for the Blue Devils and finished with 11 points. Joanna Bird contributed 14 points, nine of which were in the first half.

UW-Stout will host the University of Wisconsin-Platteville Saturday, Dec. 3 at 3 p.m. and the University of Wisconsin-Superior Dec. 7 at 7 p.m.

The Blue Devils are currently ranked eighth in the latest D3hoops.com poll.

Green Bay needs a QB shuffle

Bryan Horwath
Sports Writer

Packer fans, brace yourselves. What I am about to say may cause some of you to cringe and/or erupt in anger.

I'm just going to need all you cheeseheads here at the University of Wisconsin-Stout to look at this objectively and then come to your own conclusion.

What am I talking about? The fact that now is the time for Brett Favre to sit.

Yes, Favre has had a great career. Nobody would ever dispute that, but there comes a time when you have to ask yourself: Is Favre helping or hurting Green Bay's future?

I would say, at this point, No. 4 is holding the franchise hostage. Sure, Favre is in the midst of an unbelievable streak of consecutive games played. Last Sunday, Favre started his 216th straight game (236 counting the playoffs).

That said, every great run does have to come to an end. Just look at Cal Ripken's streak in baseball, the Dallas Cowboys of the early '90s and, of course, the marriage of Tom Cruise and Nicole Kidman.

Yes, nothing lasts forever (well, almost nothing, but we'll get to that later).

In Green Bay these days, there are not many things to look forward to, as the Packers are tied for the second-worst record in the NFL at 2-9.

There is no hope for a winning season (much less the playoffs), and the team needs to start looking at 2006.

Enter Aaron Rogers. If the

Packers are Cruise, and Favre is Kidman, then Rogers is Katie Holmes, only not quite as nice to look at. Follow?

Okay, I know, enough with the analogies. The point is, the Packers drafted Rogers out of California in the first round of the '05 draft for a reason: He is the future.

Sure, Green Bay could have taken a much-needed defensive player in the first round, but didn't. Rogers was the pick and now that the Green and Gold are officially eliminated from anything this year, let's see what the kid can do.

The fact that the Packers are having their worst season in many years—their last losing season was pre-Favre in 1991—is due to many factors. The most important are probably lack of talent on the offensive line, the secondary and team injuries.

With Ahman Green, Javon Walker, Najeh Davenport and

others lost for the season long ago, the Packers were in a tough spot. Yes, they have been close in most of their losses, but the NFL is a league of parity.

Translation: most teams with losing records have had a lot of close losses.

The problem with Favre this year has been that he has consistently hurt his team just as much as he has helped it.

Favre currently leads the NFC in interceptions with 19 (six more than anyone else) and is just behind Eli Manning's conference-leading 20 TD passes.

If Favre were a basketball player, he would score on a spectacular dunk, then give up an easy lay-up on the other end.

Favre is a wash this year. He cancels out his great plays with terrible ones. I mean, did anyone see the game at Philadelphia or the Monday nighter against the

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Hockey team tries to gain steam

By Matt Edison
Sports Writer

Marc Hanson and Andy Wind are the assistant coaches.

The crew is also led by captains Lindsay Anttila, Veronica Frey and Ariana Clunis.

"Our team has come a long way and this season we have made many improvements," said sophomore Nicole Treichel.

The UW-Stout women's hockey team is a club sport, therefore the team doesn't compete within the Northern Collegiate Hockey Association (NCHA), and the team is open to any female UW-Stout student.

In addition, the team doesn't have any cuts that take place, which makes it possible for anyone to join.

Next year, there is the possibility of a Division III women's hockey team here at UW-Stout, but currently the idea is up in the air and still has to get passed.

So far this season, the hockey team has traveled to International Falls and La Crosse.

This past weekend, the club traveled to International Falls where UW-Stout played University of Rainy River Community College.

"This past weekend the team played their best so far this season," said Anttila.

On Dec. 3, the team travels to Baldwin to take on the University of Minnesota-Duluth.

"We have a great coaching staff and a great group of girls, but our team is very young," said sophomore Sarah Cash.

The women's hockey club primarily plays its games on the weekends and brushes up on its skills in practices throughout the remainder of the week.

So far, there have been some players on the team that have been having a promising start, they include: Amelia Kledzik, a freshman; Frey, a sophomore; Alysia Wick, a freshman and Sarah Cash, a sophomore.

For those who want to check out the team's games, all of UW-Stout's home games are played at the Dunn County Ice Arena.

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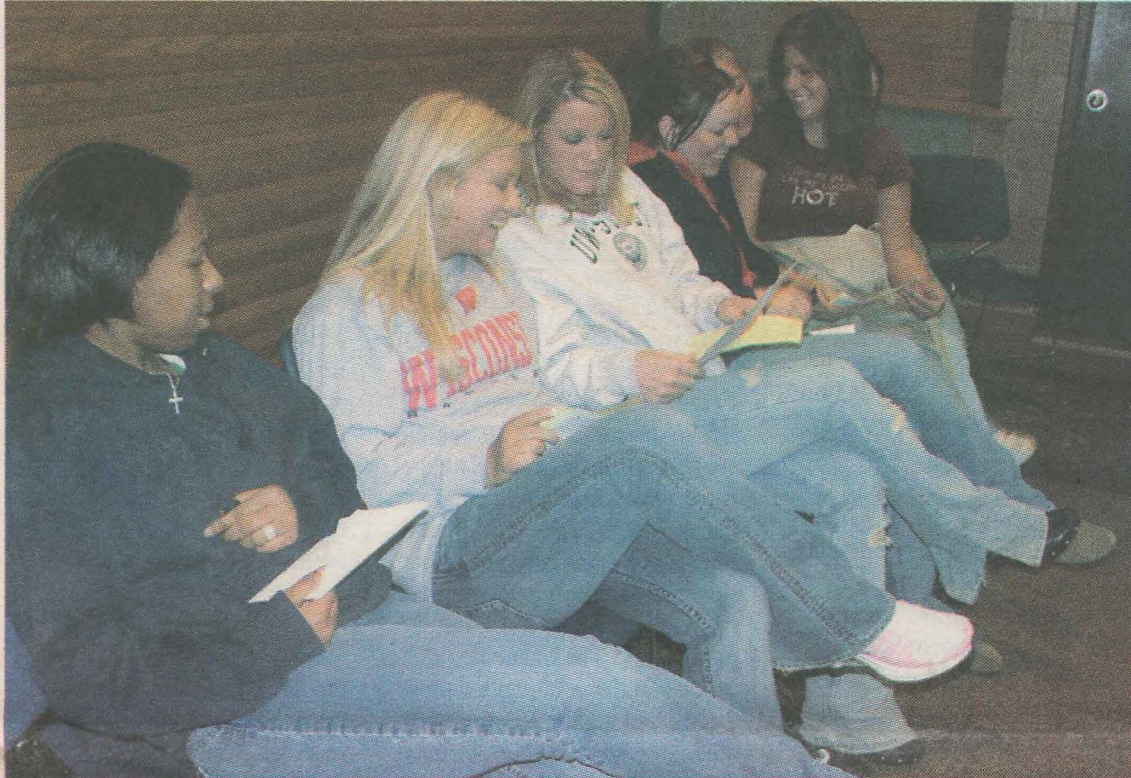
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AVOID END OF THE SEMESTER PUSH

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Sophomores can't move off campus



Tiffany Laschinger/Stoutonia

(left to right) Chantell Larkins, Molly Aas, Abby Venden, Samm Norman, Mallory Larson, Julie Franzon and Amanda Conley wait in line to sign up for a dorm room, after they had signed a lease to move off-campus.

By Tracy Consi Dine
News Editor

Last year sophomores were allowed to move off campus. So this year, some freshmen signed a lease without a second thought. Unfortunately for them, now they are stuck.

This is the story of so many freshmen. Somewhere along the line, the message was lost that next year's sophomores would not be able to move off campus.

This year, because of the lack of housing, some sophomores were allowed to live off campus. Many freshmen wrongly assumed they would be able to do the same.

Molly Aas, Chantell Larkins, Abby Venden and Julie Fransen are all freshmen who signed a lease on a house on Nov. 9. They, like many freshmen, attended the housing fair on campus in hopes of

scoring a great house. What they didn't know is that they would have to live on campus until the beginning of their junior year.

Molly expressed her frustration that the campus would have a housing fair open to all students but fails to mention that freshmen wouldn't be allowed off campus.

"We were never informed that our situation would be different than that of last year's freshmen. How were we supposed to know?" said Molly Aas, a freshman majoring in early childhood education.

Two weeks after the lease was signed, the girls got forms for housing in the mail that stated they were not allowed to live off campus and warned of signing leases. The information came far too late.

The girls quickly went to

HOUSE continues on page 2

Grant for careers

By Kristie Willson
News Writer

The University of Wisconsin-Stout Vocational Rehabilitation Institute (SVRI), which is part of the college of human development at UW-Stout, has been presented with a three-year project with an Industry grant for about \$300,000 per year.

The project has been started to create and widen career possibilities for someone with a significant disability by organizing resources and skills.

This three year project will assist a minimum of 200 persons annually. There will be an enrollment requirement for those who have been underserved. This includes persons with a disability and minorities.

This project coordinates resources from UW-Stout, the state vocational rehabilitation agency and the one-stop job center. These address the training and employment that someone with a disability might need.

"Individuals with significant disabilities confront unique

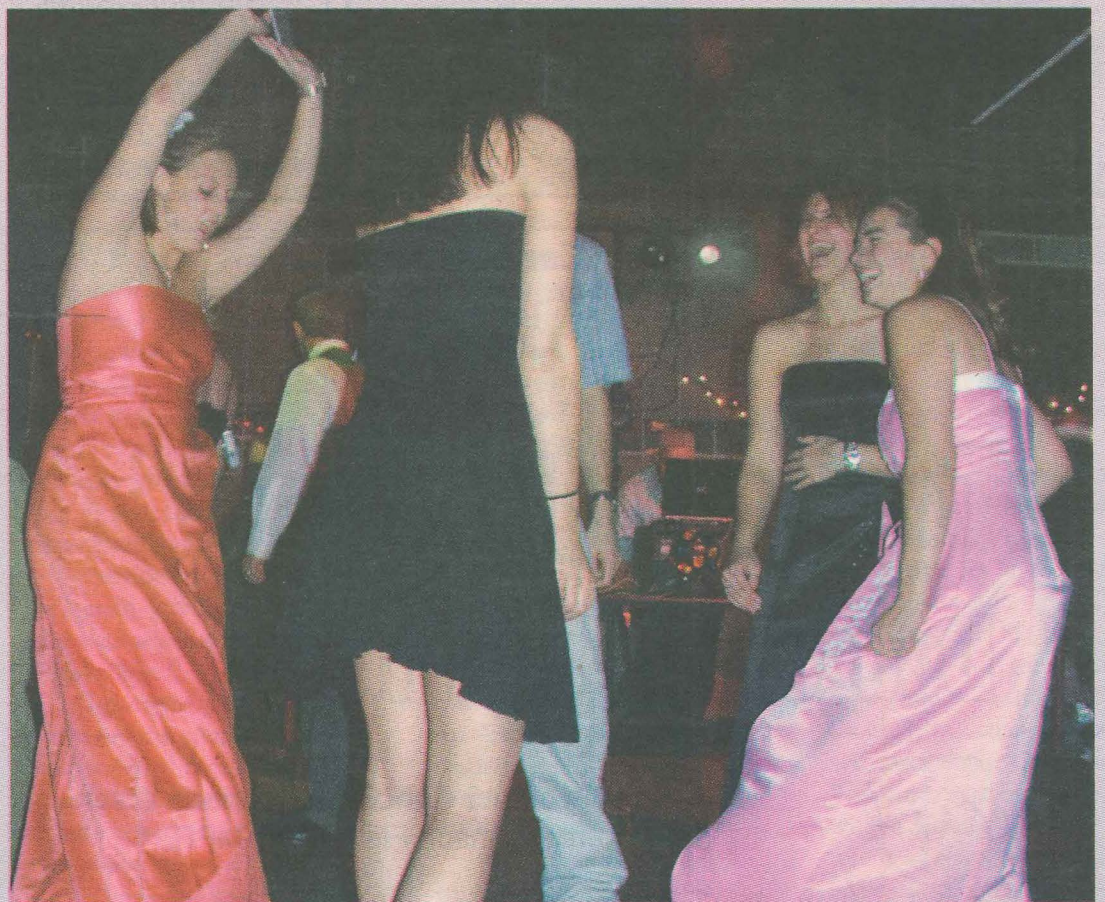
physical and attitudinal barriers to employments," said Dave Swan, director of operations for SVRI and director of Projects With Industry at UW-Stout. "Limited transportation options and a general lack of awareness of accommodations available for workers with disabilities compounds the challenges resulting from their physical, cognitive, or emotional disabilities, more importantly, misconceptions and negative attitudes regarding the capabilities of individuals with significant disabilities is often more of a barrier."

Another innovative quality is that it works with formal employer-based training alternatives to help with certain skill training for persons and employs a rehabilitation technology practitioner to meet the requirements of participants and employers.

"The project provides a number of services-education to employers and other community members to lessen the attitudinal barriers, assistance to participants

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SAS knows how to get funky



Tiffany Laschinger/Stoutonia

Stout Apparel Society (SAS) had their holiday bash Wednesday night where men and women from the society got a chance to dress up, dance and win prizes.

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Weather

Friday 12-9 22° / 16° Partly Cloudy
Saturday 12-10 33° / 21° Snow Showers
Sunday 12-11 36° / 24° Snow Showers
Monday 12-12 34° / 18° Snow Showers
Tuesday 12-13 31° / 20° Cloudy
Wednesday 12-14 28° / 13° Snow Showers
Thursday 12-15 25° / 10° Cloudy

Correction

In the Dec. 1 edition of The Stoutonia, in the lead story entitled, "Wisc. schools to ban birth control?", the morning after pill was referred to as RU-486, which is actually the abortion pill.

The morning after pill is the emergency contraceptives talked about in the article.

RU-486 is a pill that will cause a nonsurgical abortion when taken after unprotected sex.

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to help them prepare for and obtain competitive employment, and accommodations to remove or modify the physical barriers," said Swan.

The Business Advisory Council composed of business representatives, educators, consumers and rehabilitation professionals will be highly involved in the development, evaluation of training, placement services and delivery.

"SVRI has a long history of collaboration with the division of vocational rehabilitation, the workforce development board,

cooperative education services agency, and the veterans administration," said Swan. "We were able to build upon this past collaboration to develop the model for the project. We will be developing formal partnership agreements with these agencies as part of the new award.

This new project will serve the counties of Eau Claire, Chippewa, Dunn, Clark, Wood, Marathon, Barron, St. Croix, Polk, Pierce and Pepin. The Projects With Industry will be funded with a grant from the Rehabilitation Services Administration with the U.S. Department of Education.

House / not this year

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talk to Paul Rodriguez, residence hall director of AF, to see what they could do. He suggested that the girls fill out housing request exemption forms. These forms can be accessed on the University of Wisconsin-Stout Web site for any students facing housing dilemmas.

Go to the UW-Stout Web site under current students, and use the link 'services.' Click 'housing' and then 'common forms.' These forms can be filled out for exemption of the requirement to live on campus for two years.

All UW schools except Green Bay, Madison, Milwaukee and Parkside require students to live on campus for

two years. The other schools only require one year based on lack of housing.

So the question remains: Why were last year's students allowed off campus when this year's students aren't?

Last year 1,708 freshmen were admitted to UW-Stout. Only six percent of freshmen live off campus, meaning approximately 1,600 live on south campus.

Next year's expected freshmen enrollment is 1,600. The housing department is confident they will have enough housing available for all of next year's freshmen and sophomores. Thus the reason why sophomores will not be allowed off campus.

However, if freshmen have signed a lease, their best bet is to fill out the housing request exemption forms. They need to provide verification of their need to live off campus. The forms will be reviewed by a peer review board, and they will be informed of the final decision. Otherwise their fate is in the hands of next year's freshmen enrollment.

"Students' plans are always changing, and we work with students as best we can to accommodate those changes," said Scott Griesbach, Director of Housing and Residence Life.

If anyone has a special need that requires them to live off campus, let the housing department know.



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5 UAD (1st offense)
1 UAD (2nd offense)
3 Criminal Disorderly Conduct

Dented hood

On Wednesday, Nov. 30, a student reported damage to the hood of his car. The vehicle was parked in UW-Stout lot 10. He noticed his hood was dented in when returned from class.

Dorm thief

On Wednesday, Nov. 30, a Compaq laptop computer and Dell pocket PDA were stolen from a student's room in Tainter Hall. No suspects or witnesses were identified.

Prank or what?

On Wednesday, Nov. 30, female students complained of a phone caller who identified himself as Dave from the financial aid office. He told one roommate that she needed to come down to the financial aid office to fill out paper work. The financial aid office had never actually called the student and there were two other students who had received the same phone call.

Getting keyed sucks

On Thursday, Dec. 1, a student reported that her car had received criminal damage; the entire driver side had been scratched with a hard object similar to a key. The student

has not had any confrontations with anyone and cannot think of anyone who would do this.

White wash for Southerners

On Thursday, Dec. 1, a loud disturbance was reported outside near the AF resident hall. Two UW-Stout officers responded and encountered a group of students wrestling in the snow next to the tennis courts. A female from the group explained that some of the members were from Florida and thus required a proper introduction to snow.

Just take the stairs

On Saturday, Dec. 3, UW-Stout officers were dispatched to a malfunctioning elevator. Upon arrival, four male students were discovered stuck inside unable to open its doors. Menominee fire fighters got the doors opened and the RA on duty would mention to the hall director about fixing the elevator.

Rowdy room

On Saturday, Dec. 3, an excessive noise complaint was received from North Hall; UW-Stout officers were dispatched after the RA on duty noticed people leaving the room in question through the window. Officers later discovered a case of beer and beer cans on a table, but no one was in the room. Both of the room residents were of legal drinking age.

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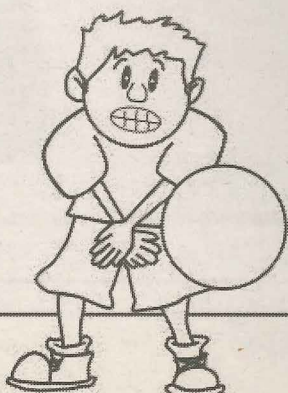
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Choosing interests or requirements



Staff Editorial The Stoutonia Staff

With all of the courses that already need to be taken to complete requirements for one's desired course of study, there isn't much room left for electives.

This can be good or bad, depending on how it is looked at. There were mixed feelings about this at *The Stoutonia's* weekly meeting.

Some students would like to be able to take more courses that they have an interest in, rather than that they just need to be taking to

fulfill a requirement.

Along with requirements that are specific to each major, each student also needs to take general education requirements.

Among these requirements are eight credits of communication skills, nine credits of humanities and arts and six credits of analytic reasoning.

One could argue that there is freedom here to choose courses in which you have an interest in, but that only goes so far.

For example, those nine credits under the humanities and arts area have to come from three different areas.

So even if you really like history and take three courses in that area, only one of them really counts.

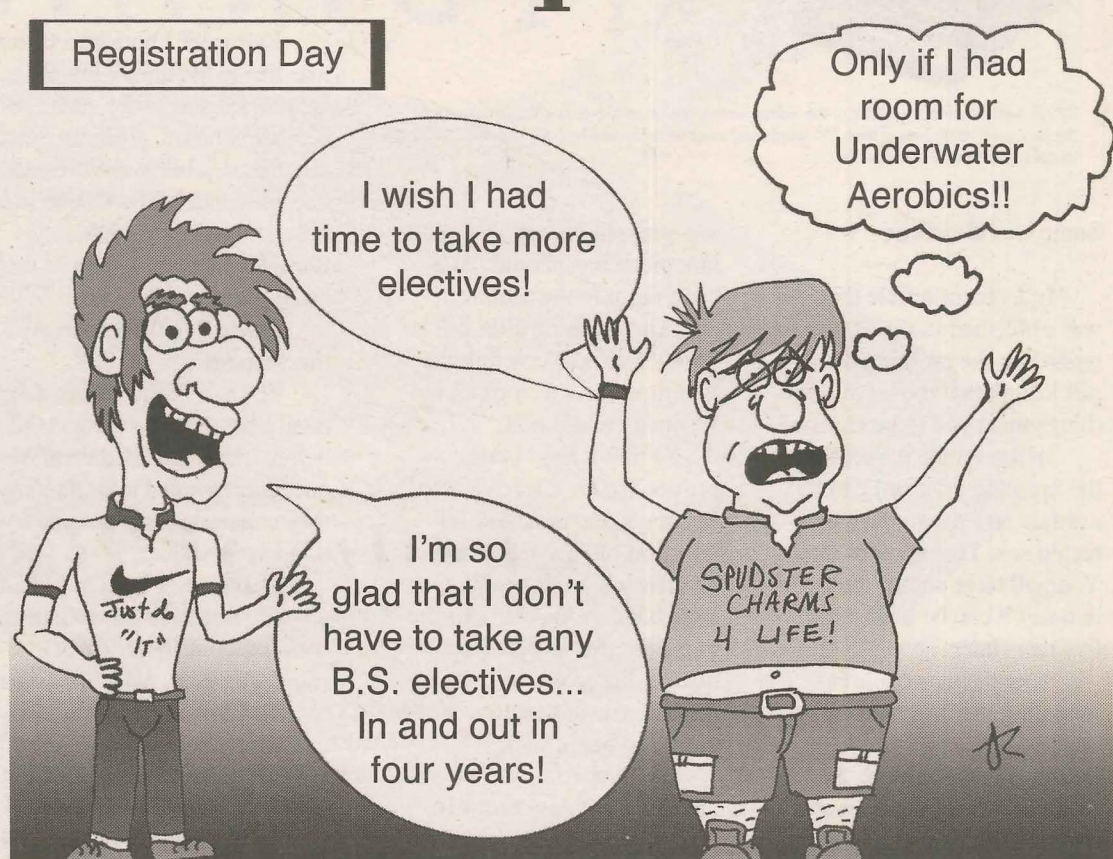
Things can get even more complicated if your major requires an emphasis area, which more and more majors seem to be doing.

In this case, there are even more specifically selected courses that need to be taken, which could leave even less room for courses of interest.

Again, this could be considered good or bad.

The whole reason we are here, or at any college for that matter, is to work towards graduation and

Registration Day



achieving a degree. And that's exactly what the requirements are for.

Even so, some students thought that they should have a better understanding of why they need to take certain classes.

There were some classes that they felt weren't really necessary for them to be taking, and that they didn't feel would really help them once they graduated and were out in the "real world."

All the problems that already exist with registering and being able to get into all

of the classes that are needed brings up another argument against taking more courses of interest.

If you are in a certain class just because you have an interest in that subject, you could be taking someone else's spot that needs the class for their major.

Yes, it is possible to still add some classes after registration is over, but this isn't always the case.

Not everyone wants to spend as much time as they possibly can in college.

Sure it's a great place

to be and a great part of a person's life, but let's be honest, no one wants to be in college for that long.

Even if the reason is that one could not afford to be in college for a very extended period of time.

Someone at *The Stoutonia* meeting thought that after a certain number of credits, a person's tuition cost was increased.

Maybe this is just a way for the university to give you a little push in the right direction, or the direction of graduation anyway.

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Unwritten policy is cause behind problems



Shawn Peter
Columnist

A few weeks ago, I wrote about the resident advisor that was prohibited from hosting Bible studies in his dorm at the University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire.

To re-cap, the firestorm is centered on an unwritten policy, which was supposedly conveyed during RA training.

The unwritten policy states that RAs cannot host religious or political events in the dorms. This is not stated in written policies or the written contract signed by the RA.

However, it does say RAs are encouraged to build a community and encourage diversity on their floors.

UW-Eau Claire's arrogance in its attempt to give weight to an unwritten policy regardless of the rights guaranteed under

the First Amendment is cause for great concern.

Fortunately, U.S. Rep. Mark Green and Wisconsin Rep. Rob Kreibach are taking leadership on this issue by writing letters to University of Wisconsin System President Kevin Reilly and the state attorney general stating that the unwritten policy restricting First Amendment rights is wrong and must be changed.

President Reilly was caught off guard, prompting him to ask the state attorney general for legal advice.

Instead of providing answers, the attorney general responded with further questions directed at UW-Eau Claire concerning this unwritten policy.

The night the attorney general sent her response, Rep. Kreibach held a public hearing on this issue, gathering public sentiment and conveying facts from Lance Steiger, the RA caught in the storm, to the public.

Just like many RAs at the University of Wisconsin-Stout, Lance Steiger held his Bible

studies in the basement of his dorm as an unofficial dorm event to which you could 'come as you please.'

In no way was he forcing his residents to come to his Bible studies. Just because he is a practicing Christian in his off time does not make him less qualified to do his job.

If the university truly believes in diversity, it shouldn't have issues when it comes to the practice of Christianity.

Unwritten policies are created for a reason. My feeling is that this unwritten policy was created because the university fears Christianity and the morality it professes, so it wants to restrict it in favor of being politically correct.

If this weren't the case, why would a letter be sent now? Something is going on at UW-Eau Claire that hasn't been brought to light yet, but it will.

Unfortunately, it's taking public attention and a lawsuit for UW-Eau Claire to revert from such policies. It will take millions of dollars to fix this problem when that money could be spent on the students.

Next time you hear of rising tuition, remember this situation and the waste caused by the university's own arrogance. This is only the beginning.

The unwritten rule was suspended last week, and an advisory committee was set up to meet on Jan. 8 to explore the situation further.

Meanwhile, a major public hearing is being held in Madison on Monday, Dec. 13.

The pieces on the chessboard continue to move. Pay attention to this hot issue.

Whatever is the result or solution to this issue at UW-Eau Claire, it will change policies across the entire University of Wisconsin system; UW-Stout will be affected.

If you care about this issue, write a letter to the editor, the Board of Regents or our representatives in government—Wisconsin Rep. Andy Lamb and Sen. Sheila Harsdorf.

Tell them you care about this issue and want university policies to promote, not restrict freedom. The fight has just begun.



Letters to the Editor

If you wish to submit a Letter to the Editor, letters can be sent to stoutonia@uwstout.edu. Letters must be no longer than 250 words and must be submitted by 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday in order to run in that week's issue.

Some clarifications

In a recent article that was published in the Stoutonia regarding the morning after pill I think that there are a few things that need to be clarified.

In the article it stated that the morning after pill can be used up to 5 days after unprotected sex. This is debatable. You will have some sources that say it can be used up to five days later.

You also have sources, including the drug maker, which say the pill should be used within three days. ALL of these sources state that the closer to the time of the unprotected sex the more effective the pill will be.

This is one piece of information that the article left out

and probably the most important piece that should have been put into the article.

The morning after pill is 75-89% effective within the first three days according to Planned Parenthood.

While it has "been proven" to be effective after five days one must ask the question of why it appears to be effective at this time. One source states that 80% of the morning after pill's effectiveness is due to the woman being infertile at that time of the month to begin with.

So how accurate is the five day claim? Please be aware that although you may have five days to take the morning after pill, and possibly still have it be effective, do not go solely by this guideline

because the repercussions could be innumerable.

Amanda Brehm

Some objections

Last week I noticed a Christmas tree in the library but no acknowledgement for other December holidays. A library official said this was because Christmas trees were started by Pagans, they did not represent Christianity. She added it was okay to do this because retailers stores do.

I have a few objections to this response:

#1 True, Nordic tribes decorated trees to honor the god Odin before Christians used them, but once incorporated into Christmas they unquestionably became a religious tradition.

I have never been to a church around December 25 without seeing decorated trees. Also, some ornaments have the words "Merry Christmas" so I do not understand how anyone can say this is not a religious tree.

#2 This university is financed by taxpayers. We have the moral obligation to create an inclusive space, private businesses do not. While saying this, I can also point out many busi-

nesses that realize the benefits of being inclusive. Two examples of this are Kosher cookbooks at Wal-mart and menorah sold by Macy's Department Stores.

As a center of knowledge, this university should be inclusive for all of the UW-Stout community.

If plan 2008 has a chance of making an impact the small details are the issues that really need to be addressed. What will happen if the university is successful at recruiting more minorities but when these students arrive they do not feel welcomed?

Billy Lowe

Research needed

I had some reservations about writing this letter, since I just wrote about this same columnist, but realized that someone needs to speak up. The columnist I am referring to is Mr. Legg and his latest article "Let's just worry about us."

Foreign policy is not that simple. First of all, with the interdependence of today's nations, countries cannot worry only about themselves.

With our country's econo-

my dependant on other countries, instability in one of these countries harms our stability and the standard of life that you "wouldn't trade for anything."

I will be the first to admit that in our country's journey from past to present we have made many mistakes, so have others. However, we try to learn from these mistakes and have a duty to help developing nations from making the same mistakes.

Also, I can't think of too many "savages" that we have tried to conquer in recent history.

The article then rants about how we (USA) force people, including in the Middle East, to be dependant upon us. The Middle East? I would really like to know how removing a harmful dictator and letting Iraqis elect a representative government does this?

And while our country is currently wasteful we are always working on ways to improve this, such as alternative energies like wind, water and solar.

You need to research facts before writing an article; that way readers can form an unbiased opinion and it makes you appear less ignorant.

Robert Turpin

Robbed by December



Steve Tietz
Columnist

I came to a conclusion a few days ago: I despise December.

Not for its brisk, dry chill or its glistening snowfalls, but for the fact that it's the time of year when I am robbed of all things I have come to cherish these past few months.

December signals the culmination of another semester by blatantly robbing me of all perceived free time and sleep. December is a month better forgotten than enjoyed.

Many of you might be thinking my sole excuse to despise December is because it happens to be the month of finals week, and although this is true, it is not the only reason for my blunt hatred.

December is riddled with agony, and I can think of none bigger than Christmas itself.

Christmas is nothing more than a bloated hassle with its never ending jingles of holiday cheer and lighting displays awing the weak minded, while the rest of us gag for relief.

Not to be confused for a younger version of Scrooge, I will tell you I enjoy seeing my family, enjoying a feast or

three and, of course, presents.

My discontent for Christmas is its non-stop barrage of have-to's and musts. This may or may not be exclusive to me, but it seems Christmas Day never ends. It's like it's Christmas for the whole month.

First, I have Christmas with one side of the family, then with my immediate family and then with the other side of the family.

All of this is intermingled with church ceremonies, buying a tree, decorating the tree, hanging lights inside, hanging lights outside, buying gifts, checkout lines, wrapping gifts, giving gifts, eating, returning gifts, taking down the lights, taking down the tree, eating leftovers till mid-January and all of this in the midst of final exams and papers.

As if being a college student during finals week doesn't

"New Year's Eve celebrations were created by men in desperate need of an excuse to cope with...the chaos that is the holiday season."

provide enough stress, one must also find that all too perfect gift for their loved one to cherish for a week.

I beg of any person to give me a reason to undergo the ribbon wrapped torture that is Christmas.

However, December does happen to provide me with a few moments of utter bliss, such as New Year's Eve, the first day of winter, winter break and the relief accompa-

nied upon the completion of finals week.

New Year's Eve may well be the only reason to undergo the rigors of December and may be the only reason why so many of us don't go postal on our families after the holiday season.

I believe New Year's Eve celebrations were created by men in desperate need of an excuse to go on a bender in order to cope with withdrawals from the chaos that is the holiday season.

This year, I have the fortune, or misfortune, of temporarily avoiding the traditional hassle by going to Tucson, AZ, for the week of Christmas.

Although I am more than delighted to be given the opportunity to spend a week visiting my brother in the desert, I fear the repercussions of our return.

This year may well be more hectic than previous years when one mingles the traditional celebrations upon our return from Arizona with my continued preparations for my study abroad trip in

January.

To summarize my antiholiday rant, I must make a nod to those of you who practice other forms of celebration during the last week of the month by stating my opinions expressed here may be exclusive to the Christian faith and I must apologize for a narrow view.

However, I think we can all share in one mutual statement of discontent: I'll be glad when this month is over.

Taco Bell: nexus of reality



Matt Schubbe
Columnist

I had a very startling realization recently. I don't even know if the world is ready for this one yet, but I'll fill all of you in anyway.

I was home one weekend with my brother and a few of his friends and we were all hungry.

That's not too notable; I'm usually hungry, being a grazer by nature, I eat all the time, but we all decided to go find a place to eat.

As we were driving, I began to think of the things I usually think of when trying to pass time: Should I grow a moustache? How does Jabba the Hutt go to the bathroom? Does he go to the bathroom? And, of course, what is it that holds the universe together as we know it?

Luckily for my weary, philosophical mind, I was able to answer at least one of these questions inside the restaurant we ended up eating in.

When we entered Taco Bell, I didn't feel all that different, noticed nothing out of the ordinary.

My cell structure remained intact and my bones held.

Some of you may be wondering why I would even think about things like that when entering a Taco Bell.

This is why:

While eating my chicken quesadilla, someone walked into the store that my brother knew but wasn't expecting to see. This person was from his school in Iowa.

Soon after, a friend of my brother's that worked at the same place as he did in high school also ended up in the very same Taco Bell.

My mind whirled with theories as to why all of these coincidences were occurring within this fast food restaurant.

After several whole seconds of heartfelt speculation, I came up with what I think is a perfectly workable hypothesis.

Taco Bell is a hinging point, a connector, a nexus of our reality. Taco Bell is a connecting point of time and space, if you will.

How else do you explain the appearances of the people we saw there on that cold Saturday?

I suddenly had a flashback to the movie "Demolition Man" with Sylvester Stallone and Wesley Snipes.

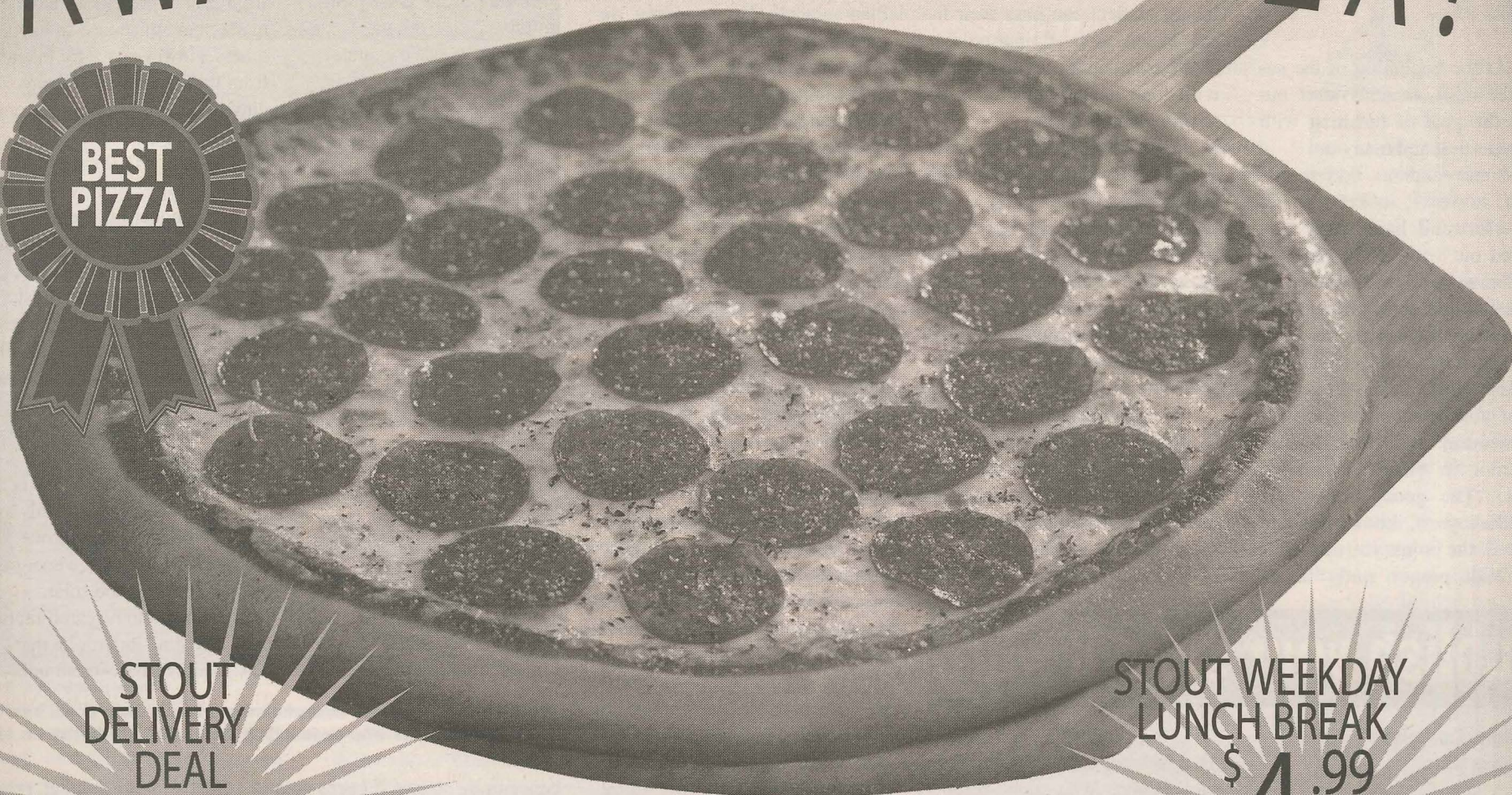
In the future of that movie, Taco Bell has won the fast food war and is the only restaurant in existence.

Was this film really a work of crappy, disposable action or a message from the future? If so, get ready to start enjoying gorditas a lot more.

I haven't figured out all the facts of this strange south of the border phenomenon, but until I do, prepare yourself for the strangest of happenings.

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End-of-semester procrastination

By Tabitha Martin
Campus Writer

At the beginning of the semester most students start out with the goal of finishing with great grades, and many do.

Some students find it difficult, however, to keep up all the effort and hard work they started out with. They begin to get "burned out" or distracted by more fun and appealing options than hitting the books.

"Go to class and check your grades online, make certain that all of your assignments are accounted for," said Jesse Edberg, a senior in business management. "The good procrastinator, like myself, knows that you need all the points you can get."

With proper study habits

and time management, even the laziest student can pass their final exams with flying colors. The fundamental key to getting it all done and having a life is all in time management.

According to "The Procrastinator's Handbook: The Art of Doing it Now," tackling a big project or taking on a large task is easier once you break it down. Rather than thinking of studying and papers and projects in their entirety and as a huge undertaking, the book advises breaking it all down into small sections.

Devote an hour a day to studying for that exam or reviewing notes so that you can have a sense of accomplishment and get things done at the same time.

In order to do this, you

must give yourself the time. Plan ahead! By planning to spend an hour a day working on your studying and projects or setting designated goals, you will achieve more without having to wear yourself out in one night and can guarantee yourself enough time, effort and energy for other activities.

"Don't mix beer, pizza and finals," said Curtis Robertson, a senior in technology education.

"Students should realize that they are here to get an education," said Robertson.

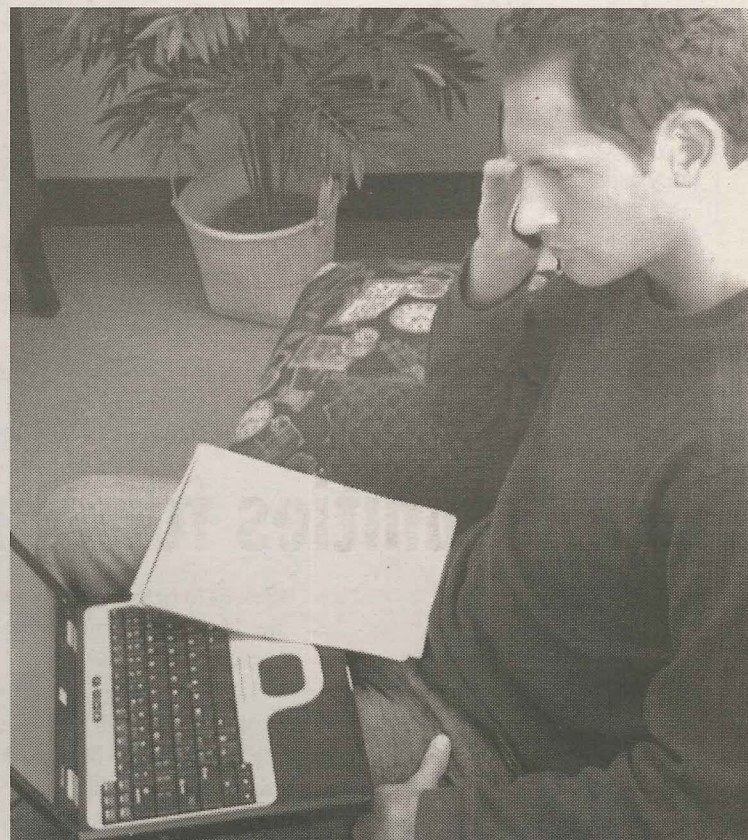
"The best way to prepare is to prioritize your needs on a basis of what your greatest challenges are and conquer them in that order. No matter what your challenges are, there are many resources worth taking advantage of to help with the stress of finishing a semester," said Robertson.

To assure that you will be able to have the energy to complete what you need to get done, make sure you get plenty of sleep and rest along with proper nutrition to help the process along. Doing this means cutting back on caffeine and other stimulants.

"Students who study one subject for more than three hours at a time are actually struggling to retain that information later," said Pamela Martin, a former professor of psychology at the University of Wisconsin-Whitewater.

"When people are tired or strained from constant reading and working, they are more likely to do bad than those students who consistently reviewed and studied their notes and chapters over a longer period of time," said Martin.

She also shared that if you study different subjects for short periods of time and don't just



Drew Retherford/Stoutonia

Big projects seem less overwhelming when broken down into smaller tasks. Students who review their notes daily do better on exams.

concentrate on one, it keeps your interest and you learn more than if you choose to cram an entire exam's worth of information into one night.

Another good tip is to turn off all distractions and to make sure that you are in a setting that you are comfortable in. Try playing music, if you will not be too distracted; the music will not only energize you and make you more receptive, it may also help boost your mood, making what seems like a chore a little less taxing.

"By setting day to day goals, scheduling breaks every other hour, and productively using any unexpected free time to complete little tasks, I am capable of having an active social life while achieving good grades at the same time," said Stacey

Geil, a junior in hotel, restaurant and tourism management.

One resource students can use—when they don't understand something or are having trouble studying—is the tutoring center located in the basement of Bowman Hall.

Students often forget that their professors are available to help answer questions they may have about the exam material or anything else. All professors have established office hours specifically for this purpose.

Through reviewing your daily notes, setting up a studying schedule around the rest of your life's activities, getting plenty of rest and knowing what resources you have available to you, procrastination does not need to cause a bad ending to a good semester.

Publish your school work

By Renee Currington
Campus Editor

Getting published is a worthy accomplishment for a student. It is something employers look upon highly.

"The University of Wisconsin-Stout Journal of Student Research is a great opportunity for students to have work published," said Jason Riebe, the journal's editor, who is a graduate student in the education specialist program.

The UW-Stout Journal of Student Research is a compilation of work done by students on a variety of topics. The work can be something that was done for a class or it can be an independent research project.

"We want as many articles as we can get, representing as many disciplines as possible," said Riebe.

A lot of work published in previous journals has focused on packaging and human development; previous journals have also included things like literature reviews. The most recently published journal was the first to include artwork.

"Our goal is to get more hard science in the journal," said Riebe, who says disciplines such as math and science are under-represented.

Most universities have a research journal. However, there are a few things that make the UW-Stout Journal of Student Research unique.

"Ours is one of the few journals of research that puts the full text online," said Riebe. "If you are published, your name pops up and is associated with what you submitted."

The UW-Stout Journal of Student Research can be found at <http://www.uwstout.edu/rs/studentjournal.shtml>. According to Riebe, some students have been contacted by employers who found their work in the journal online.

Another unique aspect is that the entire production of the journal is all done by students: the content, editing, layout and printing.

"It's by the students and for the students," said Riebe.

A student who wishes to have work published in the journal must have a faculty advisor to offer feedback.

Once submitted, an article is edited and then reviewed by a board of faculty members who decide whether the article can be accepted or needs revisions.

Once approved, the author must decide to accept or reject any editing changes made to the article.

"I want to be as inclusive as possible," said Riebe. "If [an article] has potential, I'm willing to bend over backwards to work with the students to try to ensure that we have a quality product and maintain the prestige of the journal."

The deadline for submissions for the 5th edition of the UW-Stout Journal of Student Research is Jan. 23, 2006.

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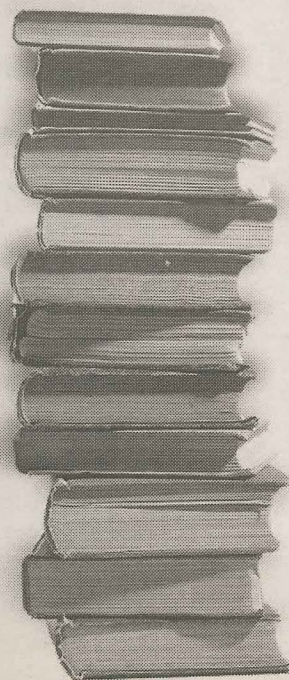
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Stay healthy during finals week

By Jennifer Gauthier
Campus Writer

Finals time is arguably one of the most stressful times during a college student's academic career. If you're in the majority, you probably haven't been sleeping much and are eating mostly junk food on study breaks; however, finals week is one of the most important times to feel healthy and be on top of your game. Here are some tips to help you keep your brain supplied with enough energy to function to its fullest capacity.

Healthy eating habits are often compromised during stressful finals time. It doesn't seem like there's time to sit down and eat a good, balanced meal, but there are a few things to keep in mind that don't take too much time out of your busy schedule.

Eating lots of sugar will perk you up for an hour or two, but then you'll crash and feel tired and lethargic. Staying away from foods with sugar, even just during the week or two of finals, will help keep you

sharp and functioning all day.

Eating breakfast every morning, especially before classes on test day, will keep you thinking clearly and awake. Foods like oatmeal, muffins, fruit, whole grain cereal, fruit juice, milk and bagels take very little time to prepare and are healthy options that will keep you full and give you energy.

Eating throughout the day, not just breakfast, will keep your body and mind in good shape fuel-wise. Some students find themselves nauseous or with no

appetite during finals, but eating just one or two things is better than eating nothing. It might help to plan on going to a favorite restaurant or go out of your way to find or make foods that you'll be able to eat.

It's important to eat complex carbohydrates and protein every day: bread, pasta, rice, lean meat, cheese, nuts, fruits and vegetables are all good options.

"Because it's the end of the semester, I don't have money left in my accounts or wallet," said Jeremy Thacker, a freshman majoring in multimedia design. "I don't have money to eat or buy coffee—it sucks."

Maintaining your regular exercise schedule will keep your energy level up, so long as you are not so tired that you expend extra energy that you need to function. If you can help it, don't skip out on your usual workout, it will keep you energized.

Getting enough quality sleep is one of the most important things you can do to keep healthy during finals. The recommended amount of sleep is eight hours a day, much more than the usual college student gets during finals. Stress can worsen anxiety, making it difficult to get the sleep that's so



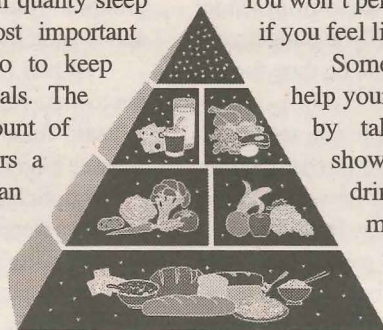
important during this time. "I've been staying up too late studying lately," said Charlie Shields, an undecided freshman. "I've been pretty tired, all I want to do is take a nap."

Making and keeping a structured sleep schedule during finals can help you make sure you're getting the sleep you need. If you really can't sleep, it can help to get up and work a little until you are more tired or feel less stressed about the deadline.

Try not to stay up all night in preparation, because it will throw many things off schedule for you. Staying up all night can leave you foggy headed, nauseated, unfocused and extremely fatigued.

You won't perform very well if you feel like crap.

Sometimes, you can help yourself fall asleep by taking a warm shower or bath, drinking a glass of milk or chamomile tea, and listening to



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Opportunities for students to give

By Rachel Landwehr
Campus Writer

The season is upon us yet again, the icy weather has hit, the snow is flying and some are looking for ways to stay out of the cold.

What better way to start than to warm the hearts of those around us as well as our own?

Some people may be extra eager to help out around the community this time of year, yet have no idea where to turn.

Granted most are college students and we are not the wealthiest folk around, there are other options for giving instead of money.

Anyone involved in an organization may be already giving time, food, clothes, etc...

Many sororities and fraternities are participating in giving trees, food drives and volunteering their time elsewhere.

The Stout Association of Family and Consumer Sciences (SAFCS) used their skills to make hats and mittens for the needy on Tuesday, Dec. 6.

"It is a good way to use the skills we have acquired from our

classes to help others," said Katie Jensen, a senior in family and consumer science.

There is also a giving tree in the Vocational Rehab building on the third floor. Students can take a sign off the tree and get the items needed.

Some of you may have noticed boxes for food donations around campus, such as the one in the Home Economics building. Teachers are even offering incentives, such as extra credit, for giving.

However, there is a wide variety of people around campus who are not involved in organizations and therefore would have to find other outlooks for giving.

There is an organization on campus called GET INVOLVED. The Web site is <http://www.uwstout.edu/getinvolved/index.htm>. Students can go here to find things to participate in. They can also stop by the SOC desk, call 232-1772 or e-mail them at soc@uwstout.edu

Some other options that are around campus would include donating your time at a local

animal shelter.

Donations for animals would include items like new rawhides, kitty litter, laundry detergent, bleach, paper towels or toys. These things can be dropped off until Dec. 22 at 710 Main St. in Menomonie or 321 Frenette Dr. in Chippewa Falls.

"I would not have thought about giving to animal shelters but I realize they need love too," said Kayla Borchardt, a junior in retail merchandising and management.

Another idea—perhaps not so typical—would be donating blood. There is always a need to save the lives of others. Contact the local Red Cross for more information.

The Lucy Creek Blues Band performed at a benefit event for the Interfaith Food Pantry of Dunn County, which was held by the Knapp Lions Club and The Knapp House.

Many organizations around the community are in need of volunteers, so if you find yourself with extra time on your hands, or maybe a little change in your pocket, use it to warm the heart of another this holiday season.

BEST OF MENOMONIE

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Best Drink Special _____
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Best Sandwiches/Subs _____
Best Video Store _____
Best Auto Repair _____
Best Party House _____
Best Fishing Place _____

Once again, we are asking you, the readers, to vote on the Best of Menomonie. Nothing fancy here, we just tally the votes and print the results.

We will give detailed information on how people voted in our Dec. 15 issue.

So please vote before then, and turn your ballot at the Stoutonia Office in the Memorial Student Center.

Best Food for a College Budget _____
Best Entertainment at Stout _____
Best Major _____
Best Coffee in Town _____
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Tenants should check their lease agreements to determine if they are responsible for the snow and ice removal. If you are leaving town please make arrangements for the maintenance. The cooperation by all city residents will help ensure convenient and safe pedestrian travel during the winter months.

Information is also available on
the city Web site
www.menomonie-wi.gov

Giving children a merry christmas



Tabitha Martin
Campus Writer

record speed and students are preparing for the end of a very long and hectic semester. One part of this season that people may often overlook is the possibility that they can change the upcoming holidays for a child in need who otherwise wouldn't have a merry Christmas.

The Leadership and Involvement Center, located in the Memorial Student Center,

is a local sponsor of the United Way's "Holidays for Kids" campaign and is sponsoring the Giving Tree.

"When everyone else is concentrating on national relief efforts and struggles elsewhere, many people in our local communities are being overlooked," said Kelly Greer, coordinator of the Giving Tree sponsorship.

"This is a great way to show local support and for Stout students to exhibit their appreciation for the community," said Greer.

The Giving Tree is an opportunity for organizations and individuals to pick a child's name and Christmas list and to give them a Christmas that their guardians are unable to provide for them. Each participant is expected to spend between \$35 and \$40 per child.

This opportunity is a chance for students to help out without spending a lot of money. By getting together with a group or sponsor-

ing a child with an entire organization, there is minimal cost and a significant benefit to the community as well as a happy holiday for a less fortunate child.

Several organizations such as SSA, the Stout Women's Rugby Team, the Chi Lambda fraternity and the Delta Zeta sorority have already pledged their participation, although many more volunteers are needed.

Five years ago, the program was able to help 80 children due to the level of participation.

Over the years, participation has significantly declined, and this year there are only 20 volunteers. The Involvement and Leadership Center is hoping for at least 10 more people or organizations to extend their generosity and volunteer to help them change the holiday season for well-deserving children.

Those who wish to participate may contact

the Student Organization Center desk at extension 1772 or by e-mail at soc@uwstout.edu.

"The community gives us so much: the opportunity to learn, and a safe environment to live in while we gain our education," said Carrie Bloom, a senior in human development and family sciences.

"We should give back to show our support and help for those in need," said Bloom. "You could get a group of friends together and each donate \$5; that donation combined would go a long way."

For those students who are unable to give monetary donations, there are alternative ways to make a difference during the holiday season.

Bloom suggests volunteering as a kettle coordinator for the Salvation Army Bell Ringing Campaign to donate a two hour shift to bell ring at a local establishment to help generate donations for the Salvation Army.

Those interested in making a generous donation of time to the Salvation Army, they may be contacted at 235-2975 or by e-mail at dunnctybellring@yahoo.com. Volunteers are needed to help on Friday nights between 5 p.m. and 9 p.m. as well as between the hours of 9 a.m. and 9 p.m. on Saturdays.

Health /finals

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relaxing music. Reading something boring, like the textbook for your class, may also help.

During finals, it's easy to forget about the rest of your life and only focus on studying, but remember to plan time for relaxation and spend it doing something enjoyable away from school and studying. If you budget your time, there should be time for fun as well as work.

Grab a bite to eat, see a concert, watch an old movie or go for a drive; do whatever will help you relax and get away from the stress and pressure of school for a little while. Try to keep a balance between work and play, even during finals; if you have time for fun, it can help keep you focused on the task at hand when studying.

Muscles in the body react to stress by tightening. Here are some relaxation techniques for temporary stress relief, espe-

cially if they are used at study breaks every hour or so. The easiest thing you can do to relax is to take long, deep, slow breaths. Tension is released when you take time to breathe.

Visualizing a relaxing scene, like a warm beach or quiet forest is calming. Alternating tensing and then relaxing various muscle groups in your body releases stress and tension held in muscles.

"When I need to relax, I listen to nature music and play Halo 2," said Jesse Kuck, a computer science major.

Practicing habits like eating healthy, sleeping well, exercising, allowing time for enjoyment and staying calm and relaxed during finals week will ensure you stay healthy and do well on your exams. And when finals are through and it's time to leave for holiday break, you won't be exhausted from studying and will have energy to party. Your body will thank you.



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Natalie Rathmann
Entertainment Writer

The UW-Stout band program performed their "Winter Holiday Concert" last Sunday.

Their program featured two pieces from Dante Alighieri's "The Divine Comedy," the famous 700-year-old poem about a journey through the afterlife.

"The Divine Comedy" is a remarkably difficult piece of music, for which the band had to practice an hour and a half twice a week in order to be ready to perform.

"The Divine Comedy" is derived from Catholicism and features three sections: "Inferno," "Purgatorio" and "Paradiso."

The first piece that was featured was "The Ascension," which begins with Dante on the Mountain of Purgatory. Having been purified he begins his



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The Winter Band Concert of last Sunday featured the UW-Stout band's performance of selections from "The Divine Comedy" and the UW-Stout Jazz band's collaboration with UW-Eau Claire Jazz interns. The Jazz presentation was done in remembrance of the victims of Hurricane Katrina.

flight to Paradiso with "Music of the Spheres."

This leads into "Paradiso," a much more intense and brighter piece presenting the sounds of joy, peace, love and hope.

The next presentation was made by UW-Stout Jazz band,

directed by Jazz intern Ben Herpel-Dobay of the University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire.

Since much of Jazz music is derived from New Orleans, band director Dr. Stephanie Graber and Dobay thought it appropriate to do a Dixieland Concerto.

This presentation will be in remembrance of the disaster and devastation that was caused by Hurricane Katrina in New Orleans.

Each semester, one or two of UW-Eau Claire's best jazz music majors come to play with the UW-Stout Jazz band to help the Jazz students learn different Jazz styles and the art of improvisation.

UW-Stout students play with the top UW-Eau Claire jazz musicians while UW-Eau Claire students gain valuable teaching experience.

The UW-Stout does not have a music major, so the stu-

dents have joined the band out of the enjoyment and beneficial experiences that are gained through the program.

The band also has the opportunity to tour Europe every two years where they get to play in many different countries. The next trip will be taking place during January of 2007.

Not only does the band contribute to the campus by playing at football games and graduation ceremonies, but they contribute to the community as well.

They play at alumni gatherings, retired emeriti breakfasts and they play at retirement centers during the holiday season.

I'm down with Daredevil



Justin Emry
Entertainment Writer

Upon hearing a local band named The Daredevil Christopher Wright, I was again reminded of the tremendous pool of talent that exists here in Menomonie.

The Daredevil Christopher Wright is made up of brothers Jon and Jason Sunde and UW-Stout's very own Jesse Edgington. According to their debut five-track EP's screen-printed liner notes, "Jon played guitar. Jason played bass. Jesse played drums. They all sang and played other things."

Just as this band is the culmination of each musician's talent, it is also the product of its own uniquely Midwest environment. In addition to their more famous musical influences—notably, Elliot Smith—singer/songwriter Jon Sunde says that his band draws inspiration from local acts such as Deyarmond Edison and Amateur Love, as well as from their creative environment.

"It's a great thing to be able to surround ourselves with the work of other local artists, friends and people of a creative mindset," said Sunde. "We belong to an artistic community."

Jon and the rest of the band have produced a unique sound that has the ability to shift between comfortably familiar to something escaping simple ar-



Source: www.angelfire.com

Matt Walsh, former bassist of Weezer, will be performing in Eau Claire Dec. 9. Local group The Daredevil Christopher Wright will open.

tistic comparison altogether.

At times The Daredevil Christopher Wright is faintly reminiscent of pop-infused indie acts like The Unicorns and Of Montreal, but their roots are firmly planted in a folk-alternative mindset, not unlike Sufjan Stevens, Mason Jennings and Bright Eyes.

The Daredevil Christopher Wright will be opening for Matt Sharp, former bassist and creative talent of Weezer, this Friday at the University of Wisconsin-

sin-Eau Claire's Davie's Center at 8 p.m.

Whether you're a devoted fan of classic Weezer—or even of Matt Sharp's lesser-known endeavor, The Rentals—this show should be the perfect way to end this semester's musical calendar.

This concert should provide the perfect blend of area-artist talent and nationwide alternative-music sound. Do yourself a favor and mark this event in your calendars.

Latest Open Mic great

Bet you thought you'd never see that headline



Mike Ryan
Entertainment Writer

Finally, Open Mic Night has lived up to its name. For perhaps the first time all year, the Acoustic Cafe's frontstage microphone was open to all forms of entertainment.

There were fewer blank stares than normal and much less waiting for the regular "good acts." Overall, it was a much, much better Open Mic Night.

Early on, UW-Stout student Marvin Ealy wowed the crowd with some freeverse poetry that was regarded by at least one audience member as "better than common."

In addition to Ealy's freeverse, there was a lengthy, passionate monologue from another performer that drew cheers from an audience that actually seemed moved by the performance.

Although the Acoustic was not as packed as it was for the first Open Mic Night, I had the feeling that those in attendance

were actually entertained by the whole evening—and that's not just because I enjoyed it. Like an amateur night should be, it was full of encouragement to the entertainers and a few screw-ups, but overall there was a lot of good talent.

You see, I feel as though (in the spirit of Christmas) I have been a bit of a Grinch as far as campus entertainment goes.

With what I've had to see lately, I was beginning to feel as though I'd lost all compassion for humanity. I've been cynical, somewhat condescending and even, at times, an overall jerk to some acts (i.e. Cloudcult and anyone doing Jack Johnson covers).

It could be that my head isn't screwed on quite right. It could be, perhaps, that my shoes are too tight.

But I think that the most likely reason of all was that the talent pool at the previous Open Mic Nights was too small.

Thank you, those who participated, for making the semester's final Open Mic Night the eclectic, creative and enjoyable atmosphere that it is intended to be. Please continue showcasing your talents.

The 411

December 8
to December 15

Thursday, Dec. 8

>The Ride, Tailgates, 9:30 p.m., \$2.
>The Vehicle, The Mousetrap, 10 p.m., Free.
>I Said It Comedy Showcase, Silver Dollar Saloon, 9 p.m., \$4.

Friday, Dec. 9

>Amahl & the Night Vistors, Mabel Tainter Theater, 7:30 p.m., \$9.
>A Christmas Story, State Theatre, 7:30 p.m., \$15.
>The Crusers, Klassix, 9 p.m., Free.
>The Ride, Tailgates, 9:30 p.m., \$2.

Saturday, Dec. 10

>A Christmas Story, State Theatre, 7:30 p.m., \$15.
>The Ride, Tailgates, 9:30 p.m., \$2.

Sunday, Dec. 11

>A Christmas Story, State Theatre, 1:30 p.m., \$15.

Monday, Dec. 12

>The Q-tet, Stones Throw, 9 p.m., Free.

Tuesday, Dec. 13

>Acoustic Open Mic Night, The Mousetrap, 10 p.m., Free.

Wednesday, Dec. 14

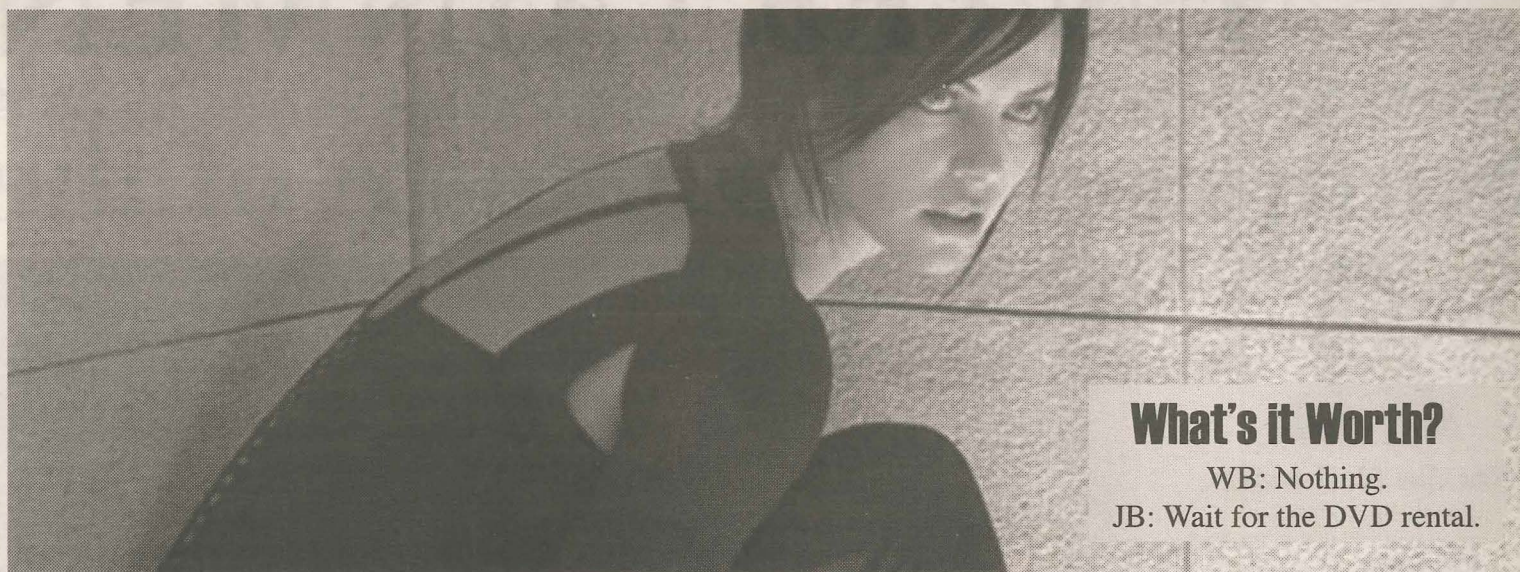
>Jeff White, The Mousetrap, 10 p.m., Free.

Thursday, Dec. 15

>R4, Klassix, 7:30 p.m., Free.

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Entertainment Writers

Based on the cult hit cartoon series on MTV, "Aeon Flux" is a cool, stylized story of a dystopian society, a corrupt government and the rebellion trying to stop it.

Aeon Flux (Charlize Theron) is an assassin working to save the population of the last remaining city on Earth by killing the leader of the city.

Little do they know that the problems in the city are too complex to be solved by an assassination.

WB: "Aeon Flux" is yet another Hollywood sci-fi action movie with CGI to fill in the gaps.

Poor action sequences and set design were the main flaws, but

a bland story just brings the entire movie down.

JB: I have to admit I wasn't a huge fan of the mid-90's MTV series. I watched a few episodes but never enough of them to learn the plot of the series. I did get a good feel for the highly stylized and surreal look of the show, its characters, sets and props.

The film is generally entertaining and did an okay job of adapting the visual style of the show to live action.

Unfortunately, the film fails to incorporate the surreal elements or any of the humor that was a major strength of the series.

WB: Apparently, a disease killed 99 percent of the world's population in 2010. 400 years later, a cure is discovered, and one last city exists on Earth.

This somehow isn't good enough for certain citizens of the city, so they form an underground rebellion.

Obvious clues are given early on in "Aeon Flux" to show who is good and evil and that everything is not what it seems.

Since the audience has no

trouble figuring any of this out, it's irritating to see the main character, Aeon, puzzled about where loyalties stand.

JB: The story isn't anything new or original, but it has a few good twists near the end.

Trust is tested and broken between characters to create drama. Too bad there's not much emotion invested in the characters—the dramatic scenes would be better substituted with some of the humor used in the series.

Also, part of the series' charm was that it featured character designs and gadgets that could never exist in our world, but the film was determined to keep everything as plausible as possible.

WB: A poorly written script can sometimes be forgiven for sci-fi movies due to the main focus of visuals and design; "Aeon Flux" gets no such exception. Transitions between real sets

made of concrete and CGI ones are so plainly clear that it creates a bigger guessing game than the actual twists in the story.

Action scenes carry the same blandness as the acting, nothing too terrible and nothing too extraordinary.

JB: Obviously, the MTV-produced "Aeon Flux" is not going to be an Oscar nominee. The acting was as good as it could be with the script.

Unfortunately the script wasn't that great.

Though the film's look isn't consistent, if you can appreciate some nice visuals and original designs in costume, prop and set, then there is some enjoyment in watching this film.

This conversion of animated series to film was an ambitious one and one that resulted in an only adequate Hollywood film.

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XBox 360 hard to come by, but worth it



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Approximately 400,000 Xbox 360s have been sold in the U.S since its launch Nov. 22. Though the number is staggering, it could have sold more had there not been unit shortages. Many stores had such a small shipment of the system that they couldn't fill out their pre-orders. Walk-in customers are unlikely to find the next-gen console this side of the New Year.

The shortages are likely due to the world-wide launch. On Dec. 2 the Xbox 360 made its debut in Europe, selling out its 300,000 units. Japan will see the system on Dec. 10.

Some people who bought an Xbox 360 have already sold it on eBay. Within the first 12 hours of the system's launch, 1,800 had been resold with an average price of \$660, quite a markup from the \$399 that was paid for the premium bundle.

Most prices range between \$500 and \$800, depending upon whether the unit is core or premium and upon the number

of accessories and games that accompany it. One person believes his Xbox 360 will sell for \$11 million.

Other people are busy taking it apart and modifying it. A group called Free60

Project is aiming to port Linux and Darwin on the Xbox 360, both of which are open source operating systems. Other creative minds have been painting faceplates and adding hard drives.

Those that decided to keep the system as it was were given a choice of 18 games at the launch, with estimates of 100 games available by the end of 2006. The games were limited in genres, with more than half being either shooter or sports games. There is also the Xbox Live Arcade, offering modified versions of retro coin-op games like "Joust" and

"Gauntlet."

The Xbox 360 is backwards compatible, but only selectively, requiring a software emulator for each game. As of now there are more than 200 games that are back-

with the exception of smoother edges, don't look much different when played in HD.

Also keep in mind that HD graphics are only available on HD televisions. Gamers with standard-definition televisions

are keeping the Xbox 360 in an open environment (not in a cabinet or on a shelf) or finding a way to lift the power supply off the ground.

Another common complaint is scratched disks, which are caused by the laser housing in the console. To prevent this, keep the Xbox 360 orientated horizontally and try not to bump it while playing games or DVDs.

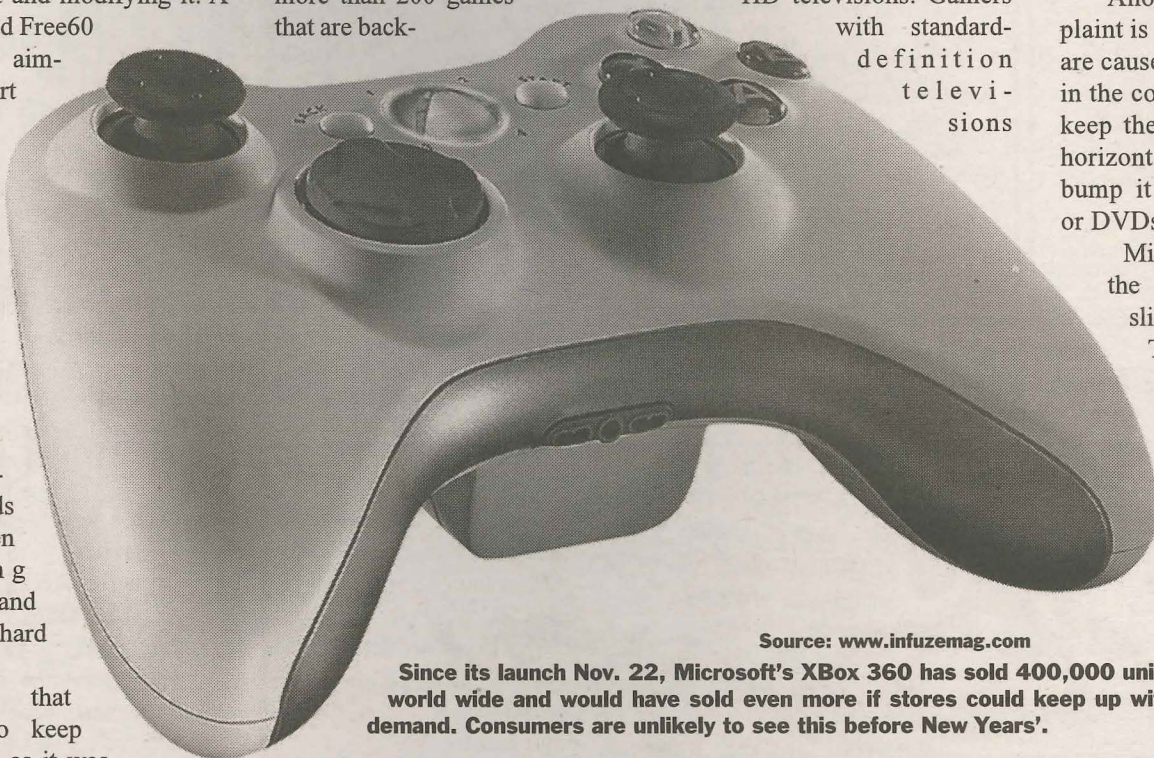
Microsoft's response to the hardware problems is slightly less than ideal.

The only game they will replace if a disk is scratched is "Perfect Dark Zero," even if it was not the game that was scratched.

As for other hardware problems, they advise to call the service center or visit the official Web site for more information.

If problems can't be fixed they have offered to pay for shipping the console to a repair center.

The good news is that these problems only reflect a small percentage of Xbox 360s. The majority of gamers are having no problems and are generally enjoying the system.



Source: www.infuzemag.com

Since its launch Nov. 22, Microsoft's Xbox 360 has sold 400,000 units world wide and would have sold even more if stores could keep up with demand. Consumers are unlikely to see this before New Year's.

wards compatible. That's not to say that those games are the only games that ever will be backwards compatible, though, as Microsoft is continually updating the list.

The games will also be able to take on the high definition (HD) capabilities, but high-end Xbox games such as "Halo 2,"

will miss out on the main essence that the Xbox 360 revolves around.

Some gamers have experienced several technical problems with the new system. The most common problem is the hard drive overheating, which causes the console to crash. Some suggestions to prevent this problem

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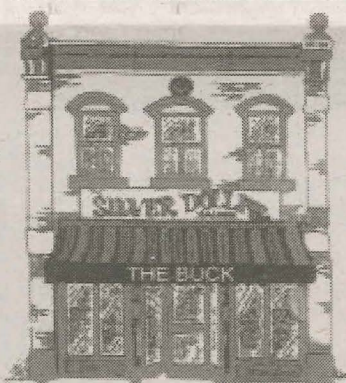
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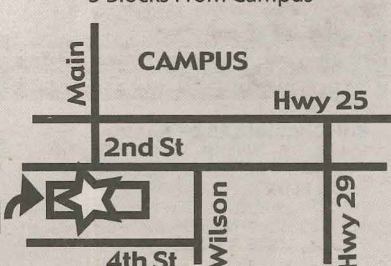
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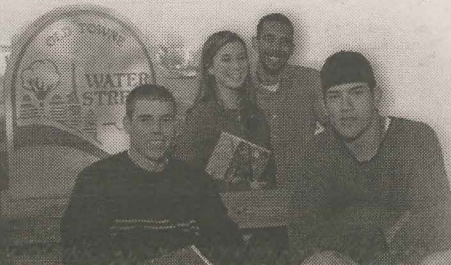
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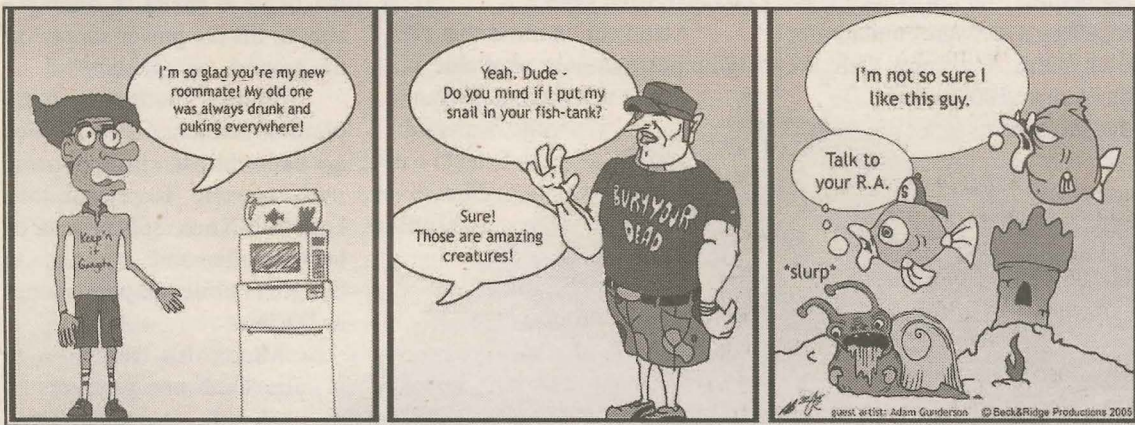
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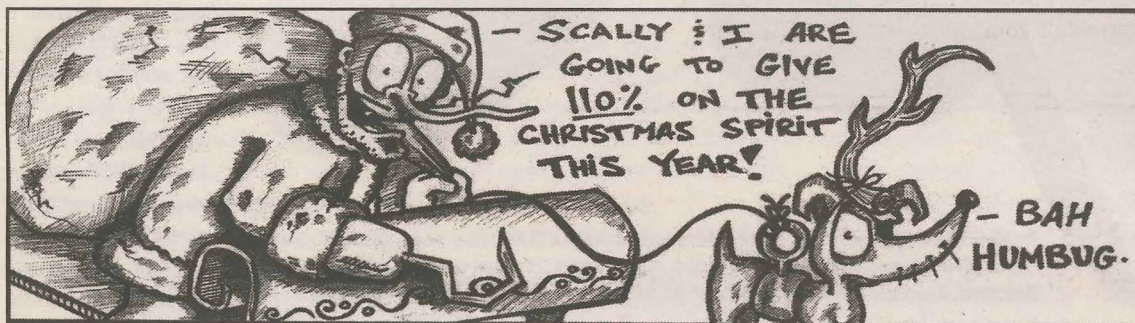
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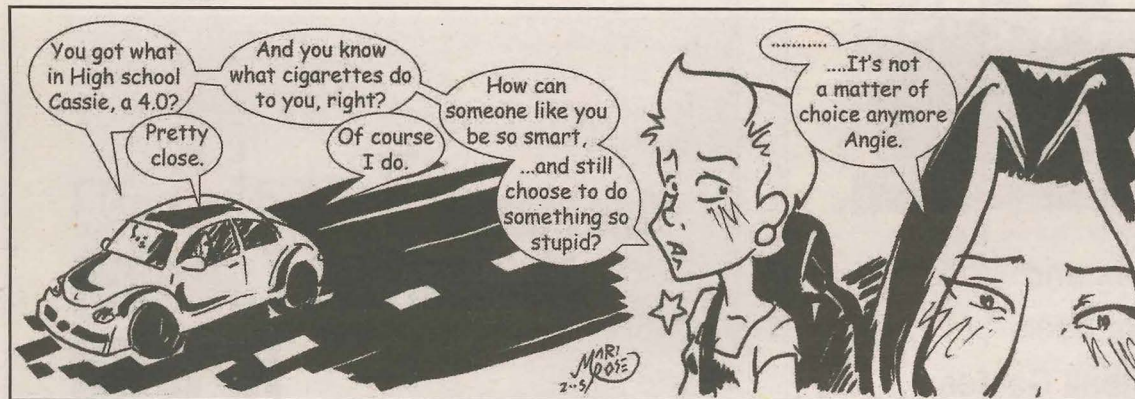
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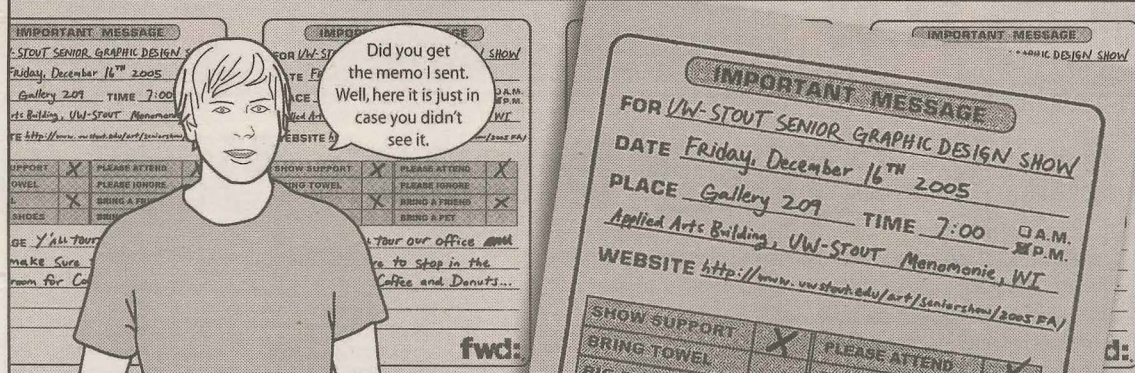
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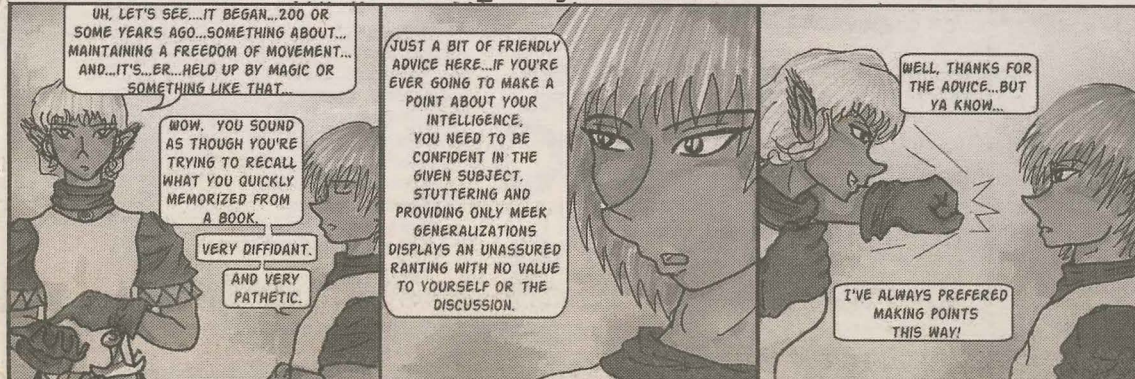
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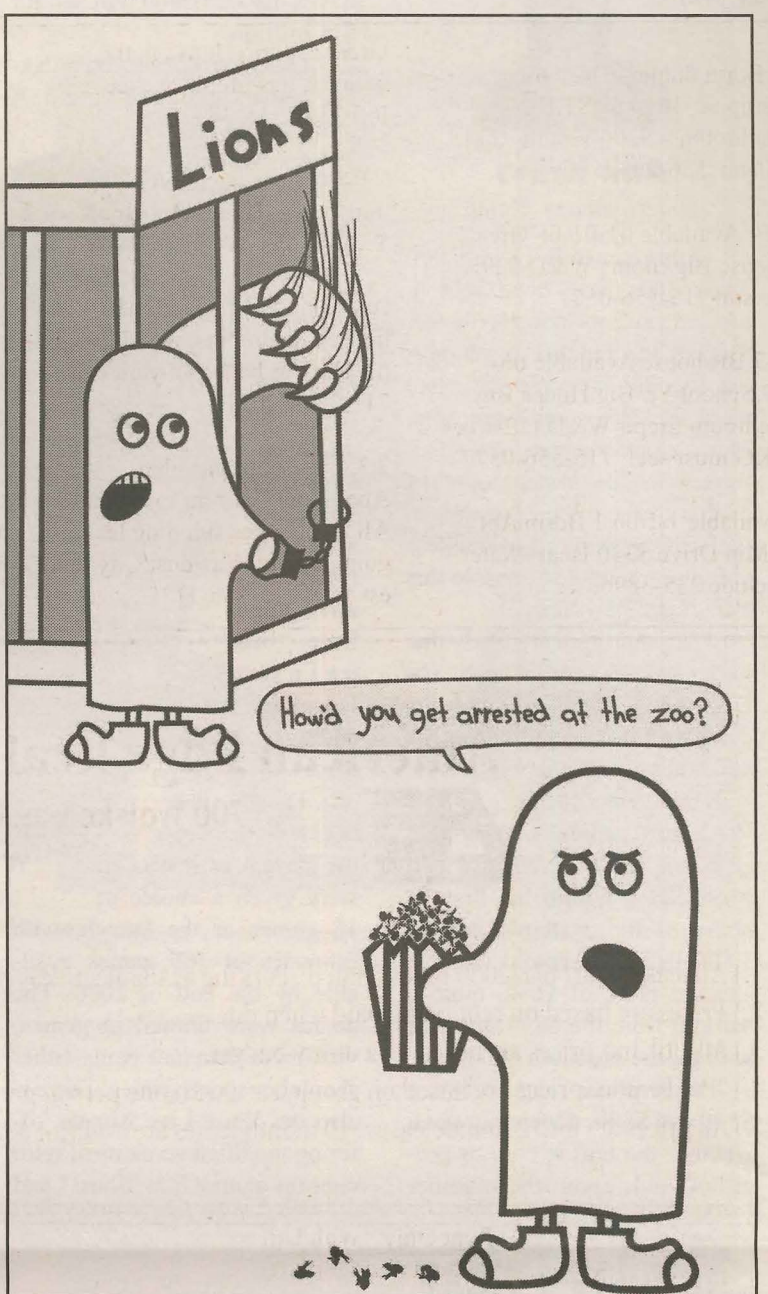
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STOUTONIA'S *Athlete* OF THE Week

Junior forward Andrew Stearns scored at 11:08 in the second period of Saturday's hockey game to give the Blue Devil men's hockey team an edge over Lake Forest College. UW-Stout (7-5-0, 3-1-0) went on to defeat the Foresters 4-3 in the Northern Collegiate Hockey Association game.

Stearns also earned an

assist on the game winning goal that was scored by Jack Wolgenmuth at 19:45 in the fourth period.

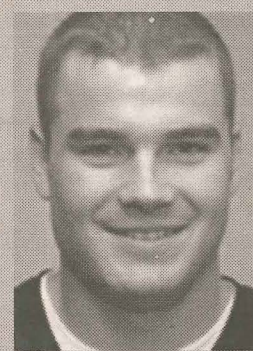
Last season Stearns played in 26 games for the Blue Devils and finished second on the team in scoring with 23 points. Stearns also contributed 11 assists.

UW-Stout will finish off its NCHA play of the semes-

ter when the team hosts St. Scholastica Friday Dec. 9 at the Dunn County Ice Arena and then travels to the University of Wisconsin-Superior on Saturday.

The Blue Devils currently hold second place in the NCHA and are tied in the Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Conference with the Yellowjackets.

The Facts:
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Blue Devil Andrew Stearns made a crucial goal for the UW-Stout men's hockey team against Lake Forest on Saturday

Andrew Stearns Hockey

Badgers/Butch Steps Up

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been hurting the past couple of seasons (NCAA tourney appearances in both years), but a player of Butch's caliber doesn't come around too often, and a skilled big man is a luxury every coach dreams of.

Well, Wisconsin coach Bo Ryan may not have to dream anymore. Heading into Saturday's huge intra-state tilt against Marquette University, Butch is averaging 15 points and seven rebounds per game, and is currently third on the team in minutes played.

Wisconsin's close loss to nationally ranked Wake Forest University in late November may have been Butch's coming out party. Butch's line in the game—which was televised nationally on ESPN—read: 19 points on 8-for-12 shooting (including two 3-pointers), ten rebounds and only one turnover in 26 minutes.

Those of us who were too hard on the young man may be the one's who had it all wrong. Maybe getting used to college life, spending time in the weight

room, and learning for a couple of years was the best thing for the ultra-talented Butch.

With Kammron Taylor and Alando Tucker holding down the backcourt, Ryan might have found the inside presence he needs to bring another Big Ten title to Madison. Hey, it took awhile, but if Butch is going to play like he has been lately, any Badger fan will tell you he's worth the wait.

Wisconsin (5-1) will play Marquette (5-2) Saturday at the Kohl Center.

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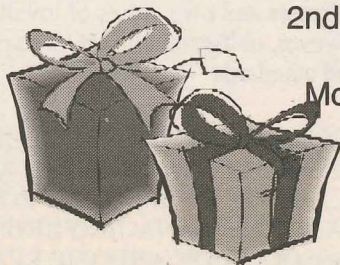
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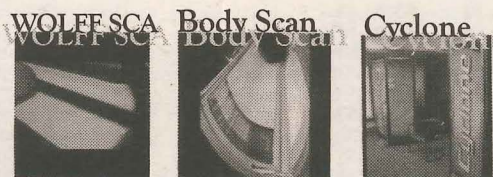
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Stout ekes past Lake Forest

By Rachel Wick
Sports Editor

The University of Wisconsin-Stout's Jack Wolgemuth scored with just 15 seconds remaining in the game to give the Blue Devils the 4-3 Northern Collegiate Hockey Association (NCHA) victory over Lake Forest Saturday afternoon in Lake Forest Ill.

The win helped UW-Stout to maintain its second place standing in the NCHA.

Lake Forest did not make it an easy win for the Blue Devils. The Foresters' Chris Wilson scored at 6:23 in the first period with assists by Matt Forsyth and Peter Morrison. UW-Stout countered with a Mike Kautz goal at 7:25; Kautz was assisted by BJ Garczynski.

"There were times in the third period when we were somewhat on our heels, but other than that I think that we outplayed them the rest of the game," said Wolgemuth.

The Blue Devils commanded the scoring in the second period as Scott Hellquist put it in on a power play goal at 1:40 with assists by Jeff DeFrancesca and Kyle Crable and Andrew Stearns scored at 11:08 on a Luke Schroeder assist.

Lake Forest was not about to be outdone, and the third period



Marta Peters/Stoutonia

Blue Devil goalie Matt Koenig tallied 32 saves on Saturday as the University of Wisconsin-Stout men's hockey team beat Lake Forest

saw goals by Wilson and Kevin Russette, which tied things up. Wolgemuth scored just 30 seconds later with assists by Justin Huth and Stearns. Although Huth took the shot initially, the puck bounced back to Huth who forwarded it to Wolgemuth for the game winning goal.

"It was a big goal for the team and I am glad that I was part of it," said Wolgemuth.

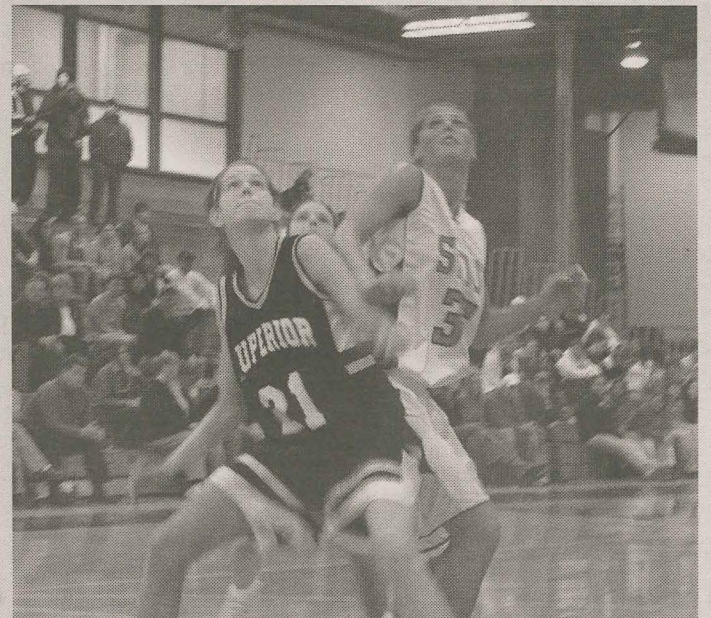
UW-Stout goalie Matt Koenig recorded 32 saves, while

Forester goalie Brandon Kohuch had 30 saves.

"Being in second place right now is a good spot for us, we have to play well this weekend and hopefully we may be able to reach first or be all alone in second," said Wolgemuth.

The Blue Devils (7-5-0, 3-1-0) will host St. Scholastica Friday, Dec. 9, at 7:30 p.m. at the Dunn County Ice Arena and will travel to the University of Wisconsin-Superior on Saturday.

Blue Devils top UW-Superior



Drew Retherford/Stoutonia

Blue Devil Kelsey Duoss notched her third consecutive double-double Wednesday night as the University of Wisconsin-Stout women's basketball team downed the University of Wisconsin-Superior 95-70 at the Johnson Fieldhouse.

Duoss and Dani Boese combined for 22 points in the first half for the Blue Devils.

Duoss finished the game with 17 points and 13 rebounds as Joanna Bird added 14 points and Lindsey Geissler tacked on seven.

Boese scored 10 points and snagged six rebounds.

UW-Stout's Char Edwards scored seven points, Amanda Geissler had six and Sarah Miles added five.

UW-Stout (5-2, 2-1) went 23-of-35 from the free throw line on the night and finished with 56 team rebounds.

The Blue Devils will travel to the University of Wisconsin-Oshkosh on Saturday Dec. 10 where they will take on the Titans and will host The College of St. Scholastica on Tuesday Dec. 13.

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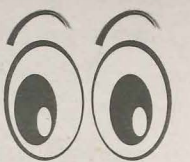
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BLUE DEVIL
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The Blue Devils went 1-1 on the week falling to St. Norbert Dec. 2 and defeating Lake Forest 4-3 on Dec. 3

WOMEN'S
BASKETBALL
(5-2, 2-1)

Kelsey Duoss recorded her third consecutive double-double Wednesday as the Blue Devils topped the University of Wisconsin-Superior 95-70

MEN'S
BASKETBALL
(6-1, 3-0)

Ryan Stangl scored a game-high 17 points to pace the Blue Devils to a 58-37 win over the University of Wisconsin-Superior on Wednesday



Stangl boosts Stout

By Matt Edison
Sports Writer

Sophomore Ryan Stangl made 8-of-8 free throws in the final 29 seconds of the game to help the University of Wisconsin-Stout men's basketball team slip past the University of Wisconsin-Platteville 56-50 Saturday at the Johnson Fieldhouse.

Stangl finished with 17 points, three rebounds, three steals and one assist on the game for the Blue Devils in the Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Conference game.

In the Blue Devils' previous WIAC game, the team faced the University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire and trounced the Blugolds 72-35 Wednesday at Zorn Arena in Eau Claire.

This was the largest margin that UW-Stout had defeated UW-Eau Claire by since 1917. The previous margin was by 33 points back in the 1946-47 basketball season.

The Blue Devils grabbed a 10 point lead eight minutes into the game to set the pace for the remainder of the game.

UW-Platteville was ranked 20th in the D3hoops poll this past week after defeating Elmhurst College (Illinois).

The game between UW-Stout and UW-Platteville was a close match up, although the Blue Devils held a 29-18 lead going into halftime.

At the beginning of the half, each team struggled with its shots, but UW-Stout turned things around in the second half. The Blue Devils gained momentum when Jacob Nonemacher was given a pass on a breakaway and did a slam-dunk. Nonemacher finished the game with ten points and a rebound.

What enabled UW-Stout to keep a level of control over UW-Platteville were turnovers. The Pioneers committed 21 turnovers while the Blue Devils only



The Blue Devil men followed up its 72-35 defeat of UW-Eau Claire on Saturday by defeating UW-Superior 58-37 Wednesday night. Ryan Stangl scored 12 of his game-high 17 points in the first half of the game

had 12 turnovers.

"Our defense was the key to us winning that game," said Ryan Stangl, a sophomore on the team.

Both teams' field goal percentages were almost identical. UW-Stout shot 19-44 and the Pioneers hit 18-44 from the field.

The game was close down the whole stretch; Adam Chandler's team high of five steals helped the Blue Devils' cause. Chandler also added nine points to the scoreboard.

"We have talent in all spots and have the experience to make it stick," said Eddie Andrist, the team's head coach.

With that said, the Blue Devils have a lot of potential on the team, each player has their role on the court.

The Blue Devils are doing pretty well so far this season with a record of 5-1 over all, 2-0 in the WIAC.

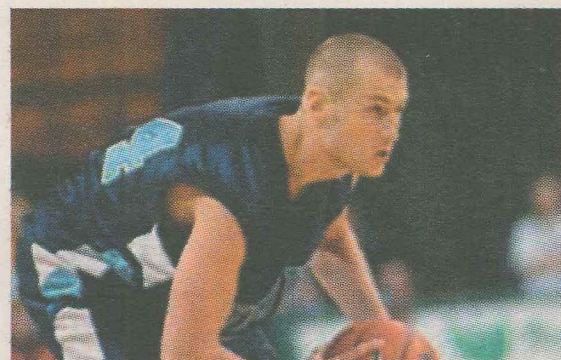
Ryan Stangl is the team's leading scorer with an average of 14 points per game.

Adam Chandler is not too far behind him averaging 13 points per game.

"We need to work on everything at this point still, our season is still young," said Stangl.

UW-Stout added another WIAC victory Wednesday night as the team defeated the University of Wisconsin-Superior.

Ryan Stangl scored 17 points for the Blue Devils while Eric Heisler scored 10 points and Greg Chaisson finished with nine points and 10 rebounds.



Photos Courtesy of Layne Pitt

Butch proves to be worth the wait for the Badgers



Bryan Horwath
Columnist

The old saying is "If anything's worth having, then it's worth waiting for."

University of Wisconsin-Madison basketball fans are realizing the meaning of that saying in the case of Brian Butch.

Butch was arguably the state of Wisconsin's most heralded basketball recruit ever (the other would be Sam Okey) back

in 2003 when he decided to buck offers from schools like Kansas and North Carolina to play at UW-Madison.

Butch, a 6-foot-11 forward/center, was so good at Appleton West High School that he was named both a McDonald's All-American and a Parade Magazine All-American.

To put this accomplishment in perspective, Butch was one of only four players in state history to receive the McDonald's honor and the only one ever to be selected to Parade's first team.

Who was Parade's high school player of the year in '03? None other than the king himself: LeBron James. That's how good Butch was. He was con-

sidered a can't miss recruit who could have named his college or even entered the NBA draft if he so chose.

Yes, Butch was a big man with the touch of a shooting guard and an upside that was seemingly immeasurable.

Then, in the fall of '03, something strange happened: Butch announced that he would red shirt (practice without playing in games or losing any eligibility) during his first year.

While a common practice in college football, red shirting is seen less in college basketball and almost never with a high-profile recruit like Butch. At the time, he said he wanted to get stronger and hinted that he may

be too skinny to play with the giants of the Big Ten in the paint.

Last season, after putting on some 20-plus pounds of muscle, Butch barely saw the floor. Butch averaged just under ten minutes per game and hardly got any playing time during Wisconsin's final eight games.

Many, myself included, were ready to label Butch as a colossal bust. Rumors circulated that perhaps Butch was too soft for big time college hoops and that his high school success may have had more to do with the level of competition than his actual talent.

Not that the Badgers have

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Residence halls stay open for break

By Kristie Wilson
News Writer

In the past years, not all the residence halls were open during Thanksgiving and Christmas break. If students wanted to stay they would have to move into North Hall and would have to pay extra. This year things have changed. All the residence halls will be open during breaks.

Before the change, there was a set time and date when students would have to leave their dormitory to go home or to move into North Hall. Students then could not come back until a set time at the end of the break, which was normally the day before classes started again.

If students wanted to stay in Menomonie, they would have to find a room in North Hall to move into for a few weeks and there was a nightly fee to stay.

"We are not charging a fee,"
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Homework is snow fun



Tiffany Laschinger/Stoutonia

Matt Joers, a freshman in graphics communications management spent Wednesday evening not doing homework, but building a snow fort out of the recently fallen snow. Check it out behind CKTO.

City council needs you

Students can run for local political positions

By Lindsey Schuldt
News Editor

Recently the youngest mayor ever was elected into office in Michigan. The young man who won the election proved that age no longer matters when it comes to obtaining a political office and this applies all over the country, including in Menomonie, Wis.

If any students have the

itch to make changes in our community and important decisions that affect all college students, they should consider running for the city council in Menomonie as Alderpersons.

"I want to have a culture at UW-Stout that promotes leadership, which students want and will run for Alderperson positions, and students will

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Graduates leave

By Lindsey Schuldt
News Editor

The rush to prepare for finals is in the air at the University of Wisconsin-Stout. For some of the graduates, this will be their last finals week ever, while for others it is only the beginning of an even bigger education.

On Saturday, Dec. 17, 560 students will have the opportunity to walk across the stage for their graduation. The ceremony starts at 9:30 a.m.

and will be held in Johnson Fieldhouse. Presiding over the ceremonies is Julie Furst-Bowe, UW-Stout provost.

As tradition has shown, the UW-Stout band will be providing music. The Stout Symphonic Singers will also be performing certain selections.

Each student was given four tickets to distribute to family members and friends and no extra tickets are sold due to limited room in the fieldhouse.

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Friday 12-16 27° / 17° Snow Showers	Saturday 12-17 23° / 6° Snow Showers	Sunday 12-18 16° / 5° Mostly Cloudy
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City / getting involved

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vote," said Aaron Fonder, District 7 Alderperson and the only member of the city council that is a University of Wisconsin-Stout student.

"Some may think that students don't care, and for some that might be true, but for others they may just not know to vote."

If students are interested in running for the council, they must file for a nomination by Dec. 27. The nomination packets are then due on Jan. 3.

"We need to do a better job informing them about voting times and dates," said Fonder. "There are a variety of reasons that a student may want to run for Alderperson; they may have an interest in making a difference, politics, student's rights, people's rights, health and safety. You are the voice of the people."

To run, students must be a resident of Menomonie. For students, this simply means that students must live here and have an address here. It does not matter if students go home for the summer and winter holidays as long as they have a Menomonie address.

Students must also reside in the ward they are running in, during the election and during the term of the position after elected.

"I ran and set a goal for myself of adding value to lives

through leadership and the empowerment of others," said Fonder. "I feel that I can make a positive difference here at UW-Stout, in local government and

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-Aaron Fonder
District 7 Alderperson

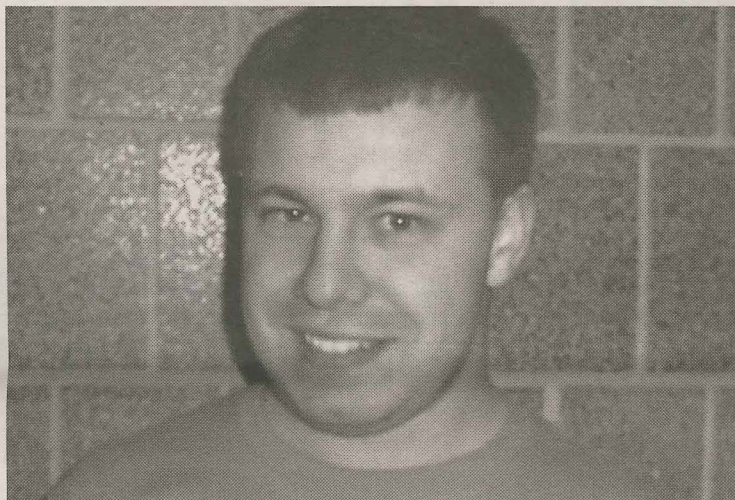
within my profession. Students will feel that difference whether they know it happened or not, they will be influenced by my work."

If students have any questions about the city council position, how to run, the

different wards or any other questions, they can contact the city clerk, JoAnn Kadinger, for more information at 232-2180. Students can pick up and drop off election material at the old court house located on 800 Wilson Ave in Menomonie.

"Each person may have their own reason or purpose," said Fonder. "One can make a big impact on the things around them by taking on the responsibility of an Alderperson," said Fonder.

Fonder can also be reached for more information at aarondfonder@hotmail.com or at his local number, 232-3335. For more election information, students can go to http://www.menomonie-wi.gov/?page_id=54.



file photo

Aaron Fonder is the only University of Wisconsin-Stout student to be on the Menomonie city council. Other students, too, can get involved.



Citations for Dec. 6- Dec. 12

20 UAD (1st offense)
1 UAD (2nd offense)
3 Possession of marijuana
1 ID card violation

Stolen: everything

On Monday, Dec. 12 in the Applied Arts Building, a student had her book bag stolen. She had left her book bag in one of the classrooms and went to another to finish some work. Upon arrival she noticed it was missing along with her final projects and \$100. No suspects were identified.

More stolen stuff

On Saturday, Dec. 10, a student left his dorm room in Antrim Hall to use the bathroom and came back to notice his laptop missing. No students awake on his floor witnessed anything and a floor prank was ruled out.

People who steal suck!

On Friday, Dec. 9, roommates living in South Hall reported that someone entered their room and had taken their wallets. Driver Licenses, credit cards, and one had \$100 withdrawn from a savings account. Both students don't know who could have entered their room, no suspects were identified.

Night flyer

On Tuesday, Dec. 6, UW-Stout officers were dispatched to 115 Applied Arts for a report of a bat in the packaging lab. Upon arrival officers were unable to locate the bat.

Can't you people stop stealing?

On Tuesday, Dec. 6, a student reported that his tire had been removed from his bicycle while locked up on a back rack by Antrim Hall.

UW-Stout Forensics Team

Congratulations to the UW-Stout Forensic team members for placing in the Twin Cities Forensics League Novice Tournament

John Banks - Sixth Place - Impromptu Speaking
Tina Corems - Fifth Place - Poetry Interpretation
Laura Drew - Fourth Place - Poetry Interpretation

Halls / residents can to stay for breaks

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but we are offering different services," said Scott Griesbach, director of housing and resident life.

Over the breaks there will still be services offered. The front desks will still be open but with limited hours. It is alright to come and go as usual. If students want to get away from their parent's house for a weekend, they can come back and stay in their own rooms.

It helps students who have to come back early because of sports. It is meant to also help students who have a job in Menomonie. They will not have to find a new place to stay if they have to work over break.

"I have to come back for work and it is very convenient that my work is right across from my dorm," said Heidi Johntson, a freshman majoring in interior design. "It would be such a hassle to have to move my things into someone else's dorm and at the same time have to kick someone out of theirs."

There will also be security

in the halls, however there will be less than usual because of the smaller amounts of students on campus. All the halls will be locked and students living there will be allowed in the building.

Why not have these options available before?

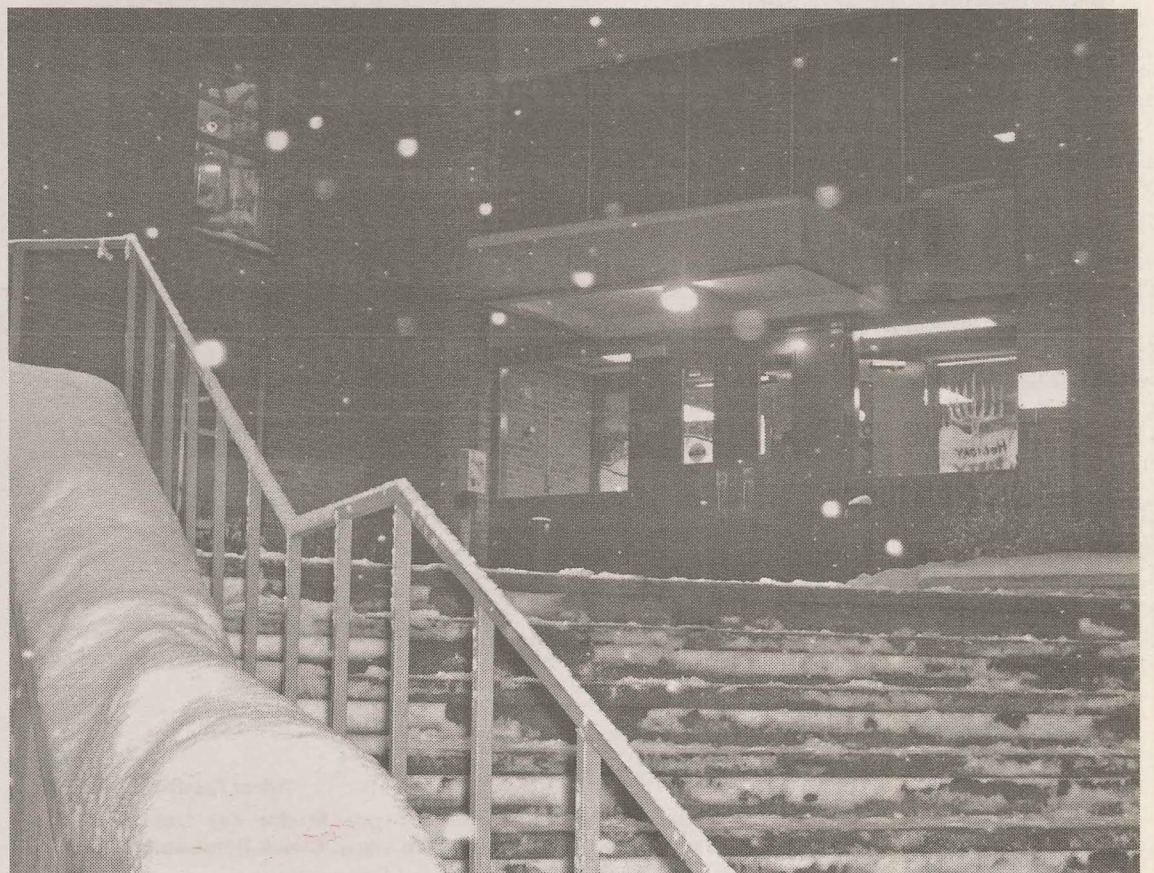
In the past, most students went home and housing and resident life did not have to worry about them staying. It was also cheaper to close the buildings and housing and residence life did not have staff on duty.

"When I went to college, everything closed," said Griesbach. "I believe it is here to stay, if we took it away it would be noticed by students."

If you have any questions or concerns, contact housing and residence life at 232-1121.

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Tiffany Laschinger/Stoutonia

It has been tradition at the University of Wisconsin-Stout to close down all residence halls for the holidays. Housing and residence life is accommodating all students by allowing them to stay in their rooms over the holidays.

NEWS for the COLLEGE attention span

Kidnapped

In Connecticut, a man was charged with kidnapping a 44-year-old woman, killing her and then hiding her in the shed of a Sesame Street actor. The woman was reported missing by her husband after she never returned home from her morning jog. The accused said that he accidentally hit the woman with his car and then drug her to his vehicle, only tying her up so he could hoist her up into the shed. The woman was found with very big gashes in her head and rope tied around her ankles, wrists and neck. The police found the woman's headband next to a receipt signed by the accused. The account of the receipt belonged to the Sesame Street actor whom the accused worked for. There were skid marks by the scene of the accident and a blood trail that led through the actor's property to the shed where they found the body. The accused tried committing suicide directly after confessing to the police.

Bars never close in England

England recently passed a new law in which most bars can apply for a license that will allow them to be open 24-hours. They are rethinking the law because there has been an increase in excessive binge drinking since the change occurred. The law used to force bars to close at 11 p.m., however there was a lot of concern about the people in Great Britain rushing to get their drinks down to meet bar time. Also, the violence rates went up so much that after midnight, 70 percent of people admitted to the emergency rooms were admitted due to alcohol related accidents. Officials say that they think the country has quieted down since the laws changed.

Artists for doctors

At the Woodhull Hospital in New York, artists are trading in their talents for different medical services. In a program called Artist Access, 250 local artists come into the hospital and perform for the patients whenever they need

medical examinations, tests or x-rays. Some of the artists perform while others teach the medical and nursing staff their particular talent, whether it be art, singing, dancing or something else. This also works if the artists have children who need to be seen by a doctor. The reason the group came about was because many of the young artists who are just starting out have no way of obtaining medical insurance and because of such, the hospital and the artists came to a mutual agreement.

Scissors fly high

After 9/11, everything with a blade as small as a fingernail clipper were not allowed on commercial airplanes. There is now a new rule, however, that allows any kind of scissors with a four-inch blade or smaller as well as small tools under seven inches onto airplanes again. The flight attendants union is not happy about the change because they claim that a four inch blade can still be deadly, especially if the scissors were pre sharpened and then taken apart to become two different weapons. Officials for the airlines say that there really isn't much of a danger because the doors for the cockpits are now bulletproof and all pi-

lots, as well as air marshals, are required to have armed weapons on them at all times. The airlines have also decided that the routine for checking baggage has become too routine and will now be changed every single day.

Delay gets a break

Tom Delay, former speaker of the House of Representatives, found out recently that the charges against him for conspiracy have been dropped, however the charges for money laundering still stand. Vice President Dick Cheney is showing his support for Delay by throwing him a benefit dinner that will cost those who come \$4000 to get in the door.

No Cuba baseball

Officials for the United States said that Cuba will not be able to participate in the World-Wide Baseball competition because of laws that were made not to communicate with their country after Castro became their national leader. Those on the baseball committee believe that this is a horrible decision and should not be made off of politics since the Cuban athletes have done nothing to deserve the ban on their team.

Senate Sidenotes

Nov. 29, 2005

The budget

Stout Student Association (SSA) passed the budget for the 2006-2007 allocable segregated fees.

-The proposed budget had a total of \$882,396.61, which was cut to a grand total of \$436,490.93. The SSA voted yes to increase the segregated rate by 2.2 percent for the 2006-2007 academic.

The morning after pill

Mentioned in the reports was Wisconsin State Assembly Bill 323, which strives to eliminate the morning after pill from being distributed on University of Wisconsin campuses.

-It was decided to ask someone from the campus student health for information regarding what the pill actually does and how it will affect the University of Wisconsin-Stout student population.
-An important distinction was made to ensure the senators of the SSA understood that this legislation only is in regards to the morning after pill and not all forms of birth control.

Praying in residence halls

The issue of Lance Steiger was then brought up. Steiger is a resident advisor at University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire and was told he couldn't lead a Bible study in the same building as he worked in.

-The situation has received some national news attention and the SSA had a resolution proposed to support Steiger in his pursuit of religious freedom.

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A resolution was presented to protect the ability of resident advisors to lead religious study groups of any type in response to the Steiger situation.

-It was noted in the meeting that this will have to apply to all religious beliefs, not just Christianity. The resolution passed by a vote of 9 for 5 against and 1 abstention.

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Polytechnic idea still being discussed



Staff Editorial The Stoutonia Staff

Polytechnic: relating to or devoted to instruction in many technical arts or applied sciences.

The University of Wisconsin-Stout has been discussing the idea of become a polytechnic school.

There is believed to be a link between becoming a polytechnic school and goals three and four of the Focus 2010 plan.

Goal three states: Achieve national leadership and excellence in educating

students in the theory and applications of a broad range of technologies.

Goal four states: Strengthen the on-campus organization by focusing on UW-Stout's unique mission within the UW System.

UW-Stout is already well known for some of its more technical majors, one of these being engineering technology.

This major is different from your normal engineering major in that it has a more hands-on aspect and is not as theory based.

There are other more unique majors like this one at UW-Stout that would probably be improved by becoming a polytechnic university.

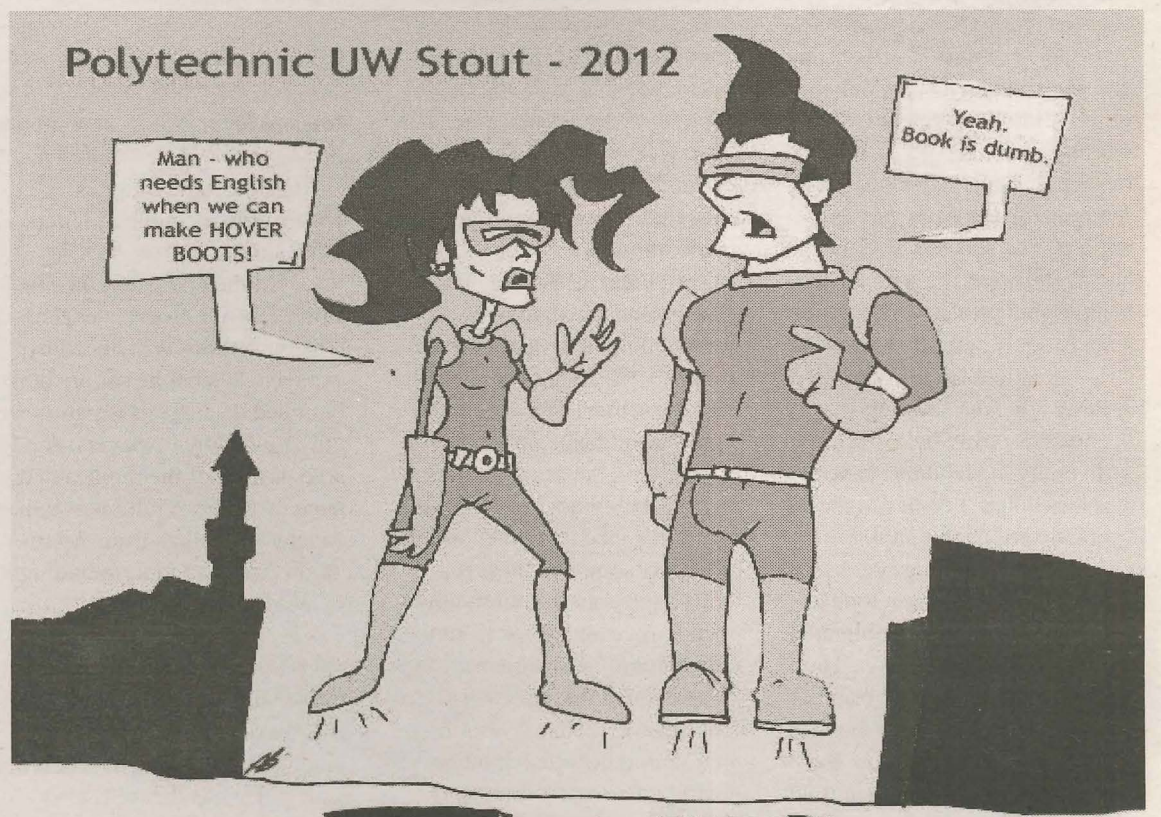
It has been said that becoming polytechnic would reflect that hands-on aspect that UW-Stout already has.

Some believe that this would be a change for the better.

They believe it would not only bring us above competitors in the UW System but also above universities all around.

However, not everyone agrees with this idea.

Some think that putting UW-Stout in competition with the likes of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology or the California Institute of Technology would



only diminish us.

One major concern was what would happen to the other majors that are not so technical.

It seems that our liberal arts program is already weaker than it should be.

Becoming polytechnic would only cause more damage and possibly eliminate these courses, as well as any other courses that don't fit in with the technology-centered mode of education.

The other side to that argument is the fact that there are plenty of other universi-

ties across the state, and also the nation, that offer these programs.

Changing the name of UW-Stout is also an issue that comes with this idea.

Even some who thought that becoming polytechnic was a good idea don't think that UW-Stout should change its name.

There have already been a number of name changes throughout history.

In 1891, Stout Manual Training School was started. In 1908, this became the Stout Institute.

There was another change in 1955 when Stout State College was introduced, then in 1964 when this became Stout State University. The most recent change was in 1971 when it became what we are known as today, the University of Wisconsin-Stout.

Stout Manual Training School was started as more of a technical school. So in a way, becoming polytechnic would be going back towards how we were started.

Are we headed in the right direction?

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Inherent morality to Christianity lacking



Michael Graney Columnist

Last week, there appeared an editorial by one of my fellow co-workers that stated that he felt, "the university fears Christianity and the morality it professes."

That got me thinking; which morality are we talking about? Let's take a look at the history of Christianity and the morality it talks about.

First off, we must realize that morality is a very individualized experience and concept. What is strikingly immoral to you might be fine and dandy to me (i.e. doctor assisted euthanasia or abortion rights) and vice versa. Given that aspect, it is hard to maintain an argument of one true morality.

Secondly, if one ignores the individualistic nature of moral-

ity, we can examine the morality interpreted from the Bible, which Christianity has espoused over history.

Shall we return to the height of Christianity's influence in the Middle Ages? Could this morality professed include the magnificent enterprise known as the crusades? Is it really moral to go to another country and try to take it over?

In the 20th century we have fought wars over such ideas. The Gulf War of the early '90s was fought because Saddam Hussein invaded another country. However, in the past, Christianity supported such "righteous" causes as a moral necessity. Does that make it a moral thing? I'm not sure.

Let's continue down this path of the Middle Ages and go to one of my favorite subjects: witches and witch hunts.

How did one tell if a person was a witch or not? You threw them in water, and if they sank, then they weren't, but if they floated, they were.

Next comes the fun time of burning the witches at the stake. What a fun, morally acceptable

choice there. Maybe we should reintroduce witch hunts. We have had them before in Salem, Massachusetts with many deaths there.

When executions were going out of style, one of our own senators from this state of Wisconsin started a type of witch hunt, but with communists instead.

While discussing the morality supported by Christianity, one can't forget the long lack of women's suffrage or equality.

Christianity has been around for more than 2,000 years now, yet it has only been in the last 100 that women have begun to have an equal standing to their male counterparts.

We can forget about the non-heterosexual equality, though I have yet to find a part in the Bible saying it is bad.

In truth, I always thought Jesus was a guy who liked the downtrodden and wanted to help out the people shunned by society.

What about loving thine enemies? That seems to be an idea that will never come to fruition from the teachings and morality

espoused by Christianity.

Currently, different advents of Christianity have gone as far to protest and boycott events involving people they - I can only assume - consider their enemies. Love isn't shown; that's for certain.

Christianity does have some interesting ideas, but indicating the morality it professes as undoubtedly good is not remembering all the horrendous actions that have occurred in the name of Christianity from following said morality.

One must make decisions of morality on a completely individual level and not hold something up as an absolute paramount definition of what is or isn't moral.

Let's face it, we live in America. This is a country that is supposed to be the cultural melting pot of the world. This means we have to be open to new ideas and accepting of all types of morality.

We must make individualistic decisions on what is right and what is wrong and not blindly follow something that is hypothetically moral.



Letters to the Editor

If you wish to submit a Letter to the Editor, letters can be sent to stoutonia@uwstout.edu. Letters must be no longer than 250 words and must be submitted by 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday in order to run in that week's issue.

Fight for RAs

Resident advisors have the right to hold Bible studies on campus and off campus.

I entirely agree with Mr. Peter when he says, "If the university truly believes in diversity, it shouldn't have issues when it comes to the practice of Christianity."

RAs should be able to have Bible studies as long as the residents are not obligated to come to the meetings. Having these studies held brings people together that believe in the same thing. It makes for a small community, friends, a family type structure. This way the group members know they can always lean on each

other, in the presence of good and bad times.

RAs should be treated no differently than anyone else. For example, if a student were to have a bible study session in the basement of the dorms, would the student get into trouble with the school authorities? Probably not.

Some students find comfort of having someone there for them if they need anything related to religion or just need to talk about religious issues.

I believe that they should feel free to practice their religion with others that want to practice it also.

I believe that this shouldn't be a court affair because all of this takes time and money.

In the end, someone will end up getting hurt in the process, whether it is the faculty, the RAs or the students, or quite possibly all of them. Hopefully the courts comprehend that and stop this madness.

Ashley Long

Responses

Just a couple of quick responses to a couple of letters to the editor.

1) In the one letter, the author (Billy Lowe) states that "This university is financed by taxpayers." What he should be reminded of is that it is partially funded by taxpayers. A large portion of the monies that come in are from tuition of the students as well as from contributions from alumni (including my wife and myself).

2) Mr. Tietz (in his article about December) should be reminded that all those things that he is involved with (including "finding the perfect gift") is his choice. He has the right to say no to a lot of the "have tos and musts," if he choses not to, then he has no right to complain.

In addition, as a Christian, Christmas is first and foremost about the birth of Jesus Christ - if he choses to view it as "nothing more than a bloated hassle" (which he is fully entitled to) that again is his choice but I believe he will some day come to the realization that it is much more than that: it is a season of hope.

Thanks for listening to me.

Chris Zabel (Class of '82)
Parish Administrator
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Rochester, MN

Stop worrying

My response to Billy Lowe and his rant against Christmas trees ... GET OVER IT! If you don't like the Christmas tree don't look at it. I am sick and tired of people who seem to have nothing better to do than walk around looking for ways to be offended. And don't worry about where the money came from for the tree ... let's just say it came from the money I gave to Stout, ok?

Wayne Novotny '73

Holiday cheer



Matt Schubbe
Columnist

We're all keenly aware of what time of year it is. We all know that in a matter of just a couple of weeks the holidays will be upon us, and that got me thinking about other articles I'd seen written about this particular season in *The Stoutonia* in weeks past.

It also got me thinking that I rarely really give my honest two cents on anything in this paper, and now might be the appropriate time.

I began to think about what happens each December that I really truly enjoy.

I also wanted to get away from the commercialism of Christmas because everyone knows that aspect of the holiday exists and I don't need to beat a dead horse on that issue.

For a lot of people, the holidays are a bunch of "have to's." Traditions and decorating and buying gifts and planning trips, all things that "have to" be done.

That's all well and good, but is that what people really like? Is all the fuss what we look forward to?

I'll admit that while some people like to be exorbitantly busy, most people don't. So if you rule out all the preparation, what do you have left? What is something commonly enjoyable that the vast majority of people experience each holiday season?

Well, I can't speak for everyone, but for me, its spending time with people that I really wish I could see more often, a list that as I grow older only gets longer.

I could care less about the food, the presents and all the decorations. Those are all good things, but they don't mean anything without the people behind them.

It kind of upsets me to hear people say that they hate this season; they hate all the crap that gets dumped on them and all the stress.

This upsets me because people have a choice as to whether or not to buy into all the fanfare of the holidays, or to simply remember to reflect on the meaning of this time personally. Whatever holiday you celebrate you can appreciate that sentiment, I hope.

Sure, people will probably wonder why you're not doing all the "normal" holiday things, but who cares?

If you're a better person for observing all of this differently, then isn't that more important than how many icicle lights are hanging above your garage?

It's hard to tune out all the noise society puts around these celebrations, but I urge all of you to try, just a little. And have a good break while you're at it.

Finding the worth



Lindsey Schuldtt
News Editor

I was once told there was a time to have fun and a time to grow up. And when the time came, I would know which was which.

This semester has been filled with tragedy, hope, growth and innumerable experiences that have changed every aspect of who I am.

It's one of those times in life when you realize that no matter where you end up, it will be affected by the people, the experiences and the lessons learned during this brief period.

There's a lot of pressure in knowing your future depends on how you handle your present. When all you want to do is find that time when you could play and not worry about growing up.

I guess that's the beauty in the struggle.

When things get the hardest, that's when the growth occurs. It's the time when you put your head down and push through whatever is thrown at you.

It used to scare me when I couldn't control the events happening around me. I let that fear control me so much that I stopped being able to control my actions.

I'm great at running away from anything that has the possibility of hurting more than helping. But really, what does running do? Sure, it will take

you different places and you might even go pretty far.

Yet in the end, running may take you to a new place but it can't erase the places you've been.

Living life in the eyes of others is so hard and I think it actually hurts your heart when you try.

You will never be able to make everyone else happy, but you always have the choice to make yourself happy.

After all, you're the only one you have to live with for the rest of your life, you might as well enjoy yourself.

Knowing this is how I discovered you just have to learn to let it all go. Shake it off and start over, because every passing moment truly is another chance to turn everything around.

I lost my fear somewhere along the way and I don't know where it went but I'm not planning to look for it.

This is not to say that I don't still have fears, or there aren't times I still get scared, because I do, hourly sometimes.

But I've come to find that fear is merely a byproduct of a decision you have or haven't made. The best way to get rid of it isn't to ignore it, it's to embrace it and eventually, to let it go.

A good friend was recently telling me that he had been caught up in how his life wasn't what he wanted. Then he said something I haven't been able to get out of my head.

He said, "Then I realized that none of this matters. It's just a small piece of something so much bigger and if I focus on that bigger picture, I'll see that this too will pass."

He was right. The road

Peace out Stout



Brian Legg
Columnist

For the past couple years, I've spilled my brain into this column. It has been my soapbox to shout my thoughts and feelings, a forum to challenge the status quo in my own little way. I've pissed off my share of individuals and, hopefully, entertained some others.

My decision to write for *The Stoutonia* was one of the best I've made while enrolled here. It has allowed me the opportunity to speak my mind to a large audience and helped me develop my communication skills.

While it was never my intention to convert anyone to my point of view, I think, based on the comparative volume of response letters, that I actually did more to reaffirm people's opposing views.

I got the idea to join *The Stoutonia* staff after having a letter to the editor returned for being too long. And because of this, I've always enjoyed reading the responses my writing generated, both good and bad.

The last bit of my experi-

ence I would like to share is this: be skeptical. Question your assumptions and don't accept things without scrutiny.

Everyone who has changed the world has done this. They looked around, saw things that weren't the way they could be and did what they could to affect the situation. When you start to question things, you will find it hard to stop.

It is good to understand that the world is a system of balance. Every truth is a combination of opposing perspectives. It is never 100 percent one way or another; it is always a bit of each.

Just because you feel one way now doesn't mean that you will forever. It is easy to view the world narrowly, but if you challenge yourself to see the other side of things you will be the better for it.

I used to find myself exclusively consuming media that I agreed with, but once I started reading things that challenged my opinions, I found it much more satisfying. It feels a bit like reading your opponent's playbook. It becomes less like church, which is only to state an affirmation of existing beliefs, and more like a conversation.

So that's it. I'm done. Good luck on your final tests and projects. Thanks for reading and have a nice holiday. Peace out, Stout.

being with my friends, family and loved ones. The people that will let me learn to love by loving me unconditionally.

This semester has taught me that if I can smile through my tears, I can do anything. So were the pain, anger and fear worth the laughter I get from looking back on them? Ya, you betchya they were.

No one was ever promised life was going to be easy, merely that it was going to be worth it. So find the worth in it. For me, part of the worth is

Students protest training school

By Tracy Consi Dine
Campus Writer

About 19,000 people stood outside the gates of Ft. Benning, Georgia, in protest on Nov. 19, 2005. What stood behind these gates? They call it the School of the Americas (SOA) or Western Hemisphere for Security Cooperation (WHINSEC).

It is a school that specializes in training Latin American men and women in the art of American war tactics. This school is actually supported by the U.S. government and is funded by American tax dollars.

"They tell us they are teaching democracy. We say, 'How do you teach democracy through the barrel of a gun?'" said Father Roy Burgeois, member of The School of Americas Watch (organization dedicated to closing the SOA).

Our own University of Wisconsin-Stout student, Kelly Morey, has just recently participated in a protest outside the SOA.

"I have been talking with a lot of Stout students since I left for the protest this November," said Kelly Morey, an elementary education freshman.

"What surprises me most is

the amount of students that have no idea what is going on with their tax dollars."

According to www.soaw.org, the school has trained more than 10,000 Colombian soldiers. The tactics that the soldiers have acquired are used when they go back home to Columbia to become future dictators and oppress the Colombian people.

Last year, Morey marched with a cross bearing the name of a three year old girl who was slaughtered by an SOA graduate.

"It is really sad because many of the victims are children, the elderly or the religious who have no means to defend themselves," said Morey. "For me, knowing that I am indirectly supporting a school that oppresses innocent people is something that is very hard to handle."

This year was Morey's second year participating in the protest.

"Each year they add more fences to keep us out," said Morey. "This year they added barbed wire to the top of the fences. People just started crawling under the fences to cross the line and protest."

The day before the actual protest, participants join in peaceful protest training. They



Photo Submitted by Kelly Morey

Kelly Morey went to Ft. Benning, Georgia, for a second time to protest the School of the Americas (SOA), a U.S. funded school that trains Latin Americans war tactics to use in their own countries.

make crosses with the names of people who have been killed by SOA graduates. At the protest the names of victims are recited from a stage outside the fences while the protesters place the crosses in the slots of the fences.

"The students will actually complain about the crosses that we put in the fence because it takes so long to remove all of them when these are people that they have killed," said Morey.

This year, there was a he-

licopter that circled above the protesters. From where the protesters stood they could see that the helicopter had gun barrels pointed out of both sides.

Protest continues on page 8

Winter carnival downfall result of sculptures in bad taste

By Katie Triphan
Campus Writer

Looking around town the past couple weeks I couldn't help but notice that although the city of Menomonie is decorated beautifully and in the holiday spirit—celebrating with fireworks and a parade—the University of Wisconsin-Stout campus concurrently looks rather bleak.

Through talking to some sources and doing some research, however, I discovered that this wasn't always the case.

For many years a strong tradition—and one of the big-

gest things students looked forward to every year besides homecoming—was the Winter Carnival held in late January or early February.

The carnival dated back to 1953, consisting of events such as an ice fishing contest, speed skating, a comedy act, an election of a Winter Carnival queen and, of course, a dance entitled the "Snow Brawl."

There was even a beard-growing contest! The carnival proved to be a success its first year and the events and length of the carnival continued to expand over the next few years.

The carnival became an affair, spanning several days, including new events such as skiing, a snowshoe race, a log-sawing contest, a snowball fight and a game of tug-of-war (in which the men were defeated by the women the first year it was held.)

One of the biggest events, the ice-carving contest, was finally held the third year of the carnival. It had been planned and then postponed in previous years due to weather. The ice-carving contest turned out to be one of the favorite events of the carnival. UW-Stout students and organizations put much effort and time into sculpt-

ing their creations which could be seen all over campus.

Browsing the ice sculptures became a community-wide event, as people and families from around town and surrounding areas would come and tour campus to see the students' ice creations every winter.

The carnival saw its highpoint in the sixties, with events such as toboggan races, toilet races, snowman building, tricycle races, pipe smoking, ice-cream licking contests, cardboard sliding and jalopy races being added to the schedule. The carnival itself was expanded to be an entire week long.

Sadly, the seventies saw a decline in the success of the carnival. Although the decline was not the fault of the following occurrences, they were nonetheless contributing factors.

Heavy drinking took place during the carnival in 1972. Though it didn't dampen the overall success of the carnival that year, it was likely the cause of the increased vandalism that occurred. For example, chairs were stolen, a shelf in a snack bar was ripped off, a table was broken and numerous jackets were stolen during the event.

Then there was the issue of the sculptures that appeared on campus the following year during the carnival of 1973. Two fraternities made sculptures that were in bad taste entitled, "Blue Moon," and "Kiss a Beaver Good Morning," which were graphic in nature and offended and appalled many people on campus.

A headline in *The Stoutonia*

read, "SSA frowns on carvings, labels them 'bad taste'." The SSA went on to state they had "strong disapproval and disgust," for the carvings. Rumor had it that an assembly of women was even trying to organize a vigilante group to destroy the sculptures.

Though the carnival continued for another decade, its popularity continued to wane in subsequent years. In 1974, there were only half the number of sculptures than in the previous years.

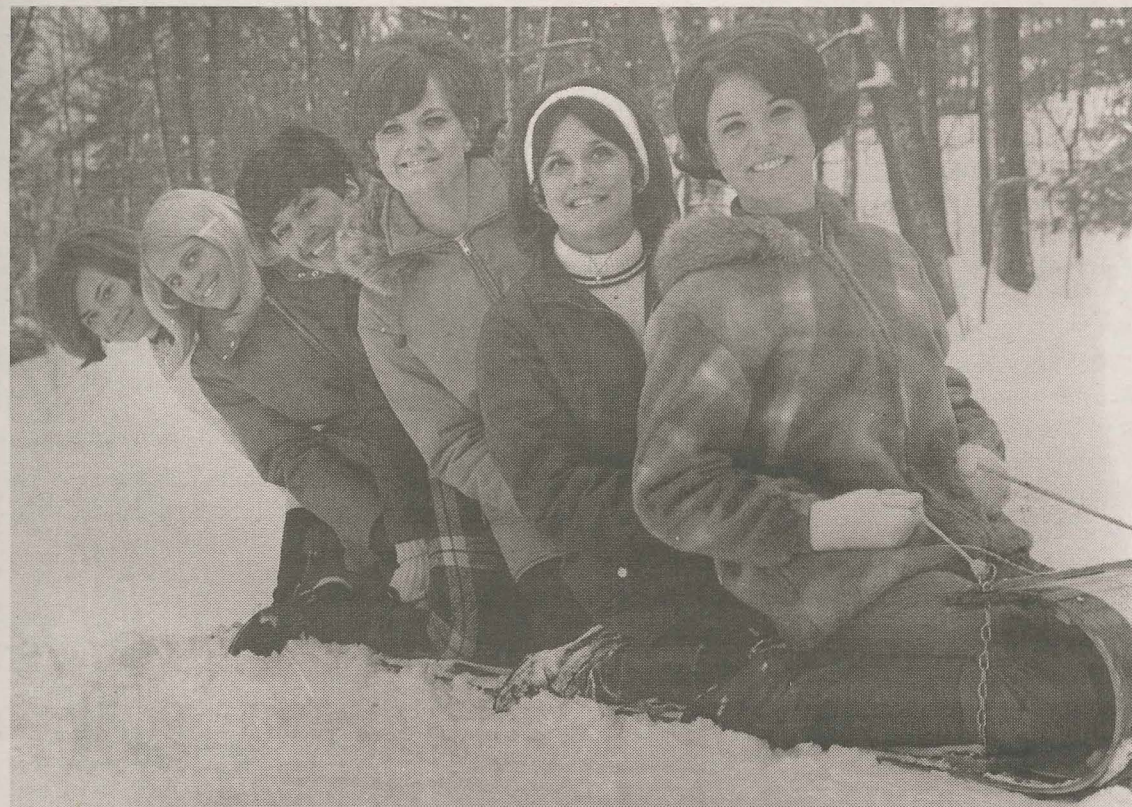
What's more, community members were more hesitant to bring their families to view the sculptures on campus because of the previous year's scandal, and their lack of involvement also contributed to the loss of enthusiasm over the event.

By 1984, the carnival was finished experiencing a decline; instead, it flat out became a thing of the past.

Students regrettably decided that the money used for the Winter Carnival could better be spent elsewhere. Maybe, economically, this was true at the time.

However, taking a break from the doldrums of school and winter to exercise some school spirit, relax and have a good time with friends and community celebrating the season is underrated and hard to find these days. It's a priceless commodity, yet we forget its high importance in our high stress individual-prided society.

For more than twenty years now, holiday spirit has been missing from the UW-Stout campus; it would be a real treat to see some of that lost spirit find its way back.



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The winter carnival started in 1953 and evolved into a week-long affair with a lot of fun races and contests. It declined in popularity after students entered some "graphic" work into the ice sculpture contest.

Design students show senior projects

By Rachel Landwehr
Campus Writer

It is a cold Friday night in Menomonie, the week just before finals. You think to yourself what is going on and where will everyone be?

There are a couple groups of students that will be spending the evening in Micheel's Hall on Friday night, Dec. 16.

Four design majors from University of Wisconsin-Stout will be showcasing their portfolios for their senior projects to the public.

Multimedia design, industrial design, interior design and graphic design students are putting on a show from 7 to 9 p.m.

The show will allow guests to interact with projects that students have been working on for their last semester at UW-Stout.

"Getting on Track" is a proj-

ect about bringing high speed rail to Wisconsin, the Twin Cities and Chicago that the multimedia design group came up with.

The group consists of six individuals in the senior project class for multimedia design; Jordan Gunderson, Joel Jacob, Rick Volp, David Yang, Morgan Schiferl and Stefanie Linger.

The program coordinator is assistant professor Scott Short. He has been working closely with the students to help their ideas become reality.

This year is the first year that students were required to work in a group setting along with building their own portfolios in their own time.

Other years, they have done individual work as part of their portfolio, making it somewhat difficult to get as in-depth as they would in an industry setting.

"The team setting is a nice way to have more of the project completed and there is additional flow of ideas with more people," said Morgan Schiferl, a graduating senior in multimedia design.

The students worked in groups and formed roles to complete tasks to get their project off the ground.

They were expected to manage a budget, record events, plan the exhibition space, design all of the marketing, direct, and manage audio, which included a voice over/leg work by Dr. Steven Collie.

The project has two flat touch screen TVs that allow the public to interact with a 3D program that was developed by the students.

The program is similar to being in a train station, allowing people to read maps and see the layout of the location.

This year the students worked only within their own majors, however some students think it would be useful to collaborate with other design majors.

Either way the show holds space for all four design majors

that are equally entertaining and knowledgeable.

Senior shows like this one give other students the opportunity to see what their peers have been working on and get ideas for their own show.



Steve Poole/Stoutonia

Students in four design majors are showing their senior projects on Friday, Dec. 16 from 7 to 9 p.m. in room 209 in Micheel's Hall.

Minority students share experiences: 'I am not who you see'

By Renee Currington
Campus Editor

It takes effort and a genuine desire to really get to know someone. This is why diversity issues are not only about skin color, but largely about what lies beneath.

Six students came together for an intense discussion on stereotypes and cultural identity at the "Perceptions & Misconceptions of Race: I am not who you see" panel discussion on Thursday, Dec. 8.

It is the spiritual, social and intellectual dimensions that make people who they are, according to discussion moderator Dr. Hector Cruz, Diversity Liaison to the Chancellor and a professor in the School of Education.

"[We need to] look at indi-

viduals as individuals and not just as members of a group," said Cruz, who stressed that people cannot be defined merely by how they appear.

Cruz asked the audience to come up with stereotypes they have heard about groups of people. They brought up several stereotypes about gender and race. One example offered was that "African Americans are less intelligent than those of fairer skin."

Another example given was that "Mexicans are lazy." Cruz, who grew up in Mexico, responded to this comment with a story about his father.

"My father died early and it may have been because he worked so much," said Cruz.

His father had worked as an accountant in Mexico, but when

their family moved to Texas, he could not continue this work in the U.S. due to language barriers. Because he was no longer able to make as much money, his father had to work extra hard to continue to support their family.

The panelists reflected still more stereotypes.

"When I came to Stout people assumed I was an athlete," said Anderson Perryman, whose ethnic background is mixed. "[Some people] assume [minority students] are just here to play sports, and not here for an education."

"One of my worst experiences when I was a freshman is when the teacher said to choose our own groups; the other students turned away," said Perryman. "They assume I'm not in class to learn or that I don't want to be part of a group."

A few students said they suspect they had been pulled over because of how they appear. One student said he doesn't drive to school anymore because he gets pulled over for no reason.

"I have gotten pulled over for driving too close to the curb," said Perryman.

Other panel members said the Menomonie commu-

nity is in need of diversity education because the area is not very diverse.

"Back at home [in Milwaukee] it wasn't a big deal to be mixed," said Christian Ward, a senior in technical education. "But here it is a big deal; it depends on the community."

Ward, whose parents are African-American and Caucasian, talked about his identity struggle.

"I'm not black or white," said Ward, "But at the same time, I'm both."

Other panel members also expressed issues with cultural identity. Pa Thao, a psychology senior, is Hmong. However, she grew up in Chicago and describes herself as very "Americanized."

"I have been singled out in class," said Thao. "If the issue of ethnicity came up, the professor looked to me for answers."

"It was embarrassing because I don't know," said Thao. "I get looked down on because I don't know my own culture—by the class and by other Hmong."

Why do people make these kinds of judgments? Where does it come from?

"None of us are born with bias; we develop bias," said Cruz. "Prejudice is learned through

contamination by family, friends and others."

According to Cruz, every person learns attitudes from the people they spend the most time with. Another way prejudice is learned is through negative experiences with someone belonging to a certain group.

How do we become truly aware of each others' cultures?

"There are a lot of organizations," said Avie Xiong, a human development and family studies senior. "You can always attend meetings and get to know people from other cultures."

"Stout needs to promote diversity better," said Deron Drummond, a senior in human development. "When people see 'multiculturalism' only minorities show up to the event. Multiculturalism means everyone."

"Going to a place where you feel like a minority can be a life changing experience," said Thao. One way to experience this is to study abroad.

"The issue of race is such a taboo area," said Thao. "People think, 'if I bring it up it will cause tension.' Not asking or bringing it up is causing problems. If you really want to know something about another person just ask."

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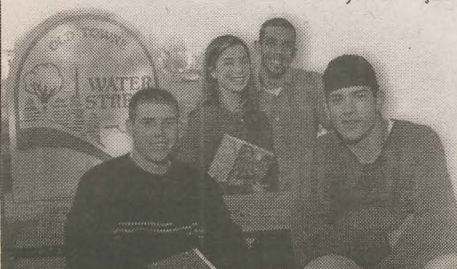
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Enjoy these winter holiday treats

By Amanda Schroeder
Campus Writer

As the holidays get closer, so do the holiday parties and holiday treats. Eggnog, peanut brittle, fudge, hot cocoa, spiced cider and gingerbread cookies all make the holidays taste great. Whatever your family tradition is, some of this is sure to be a part of it.

"Eggnog always makes family gatherings more palatable," said Jeff Kordell, a senior in technology education.

Eggnog is a very popular drink in both the United States and Europe; there are many stories about where it came from. Originally, in the United States, eggnog was served warm and with rum. The name came because rum was called grog and there were eggs in it, in the past it was called egg'n'grog and that eventually turned into eggnog. Eggnog is not only just for Christmas but is actually quite common all winter long.

Christmas cookies are a big part of the holiday celebrations with cookie exchanges or just eating cookies at grandma's house. Christmas cookies originated in the United States in the 1930s when kids started leaving out cookies and milk for Santa Clause in hopes to get Santa to come to their houses.

"My favorite Christmas treat is the green frosted flake

wreaths with the red hot candy," said Kordell.

Along with this favorite treat, there are many other easy Christmas treats that can be made. The following recipes are easy to make and are great to take to holiday parties.

This is an easy peanut brittle that is made in the microwave. This is very addictive, so be sure to have some friends around to share it with. This recipe is courtesy of www.all-recipes.com.

Easy Microwave Peanut Brittle

Yield: 1.5 pounds

Ingredients:

1 cup white sugar
1/2 cup light corn syrup
1 cup salted peanuts
1 teaspoon butter
1 teaspoon vanilla
1 teaspoon baking soda

Directions:

1. Butter a cookie sheet or line with parchment paper. Combine sugar and corn syrup in a 2 qt. glass bowl and microwave on high for five minutes. Stir in peanuts and microwave for an additional 3 1/2 minutes more, stir in vanilla and butter and microwave for 1 1/2 minutes.

2. Stir in baking soda until light and foamy. Pour onto cookie sheet and spread thin. Cool completely and break into thin pieces.

Here is the recipe for original Chex mix. This is great to bring to parties or even just to snack on over the holidays or anytime. This recipe is courtesy of www.chex.com.

The Original Chex Party Mix

Yield: 12 cups

Ingredients:

3/4 tsp. garlic powder
1 1/2 tsp. seasoned salt
1/2 tsp. onion powder
1 cup mixed nuts
1 cup pretzels
1 cup garlic flavor bagel chips (in bite size pieces)
3 cups corn chex cereal
3 cups rice chex cereal
3 cups wheat chex cereal
6 tablespoons butter
2 tablespoons Worcestershire sauce

Directions:

1. Heat oven to 250 degrees F. Melt butter in a large roasting pan in the oven. Stir in seasonings. Gradually stir in remaining ingredients until well coated.

2. Bake one hour, stirring every 15 minutes. Spread on paper towel to cool. Store in airtight container.

This is a popular cookie at Christmas time and very easy

to make even though they look like they take a long time. Impress your family and friends by bringing these cookies to your next holiday party. This recipe is courtesy of "The Cookie Bible."

Peanut Butter Kisses

Yield: 4 to 6 dozen

1 cup granulated sugar
1 cup packed brown sugar
1 cup all-vegetable shortening
1 cup peanut butter
2 eggs
1/4 cup milk
2 teaspoons vanilla
3 1/3 cups sifted all purpose flour

2 teaspoons baking soda
1 teaspoon salt
1 (11 ounce) package milk chocolate candies

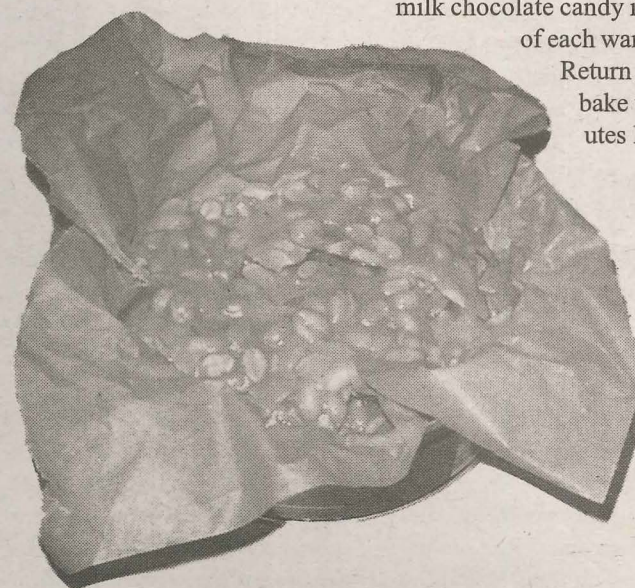
1. Preheat oven to 375 degrees F.

2. Cream together granulated sugar, brown sugar, 1 cup shortening and peanut butter. Add eggs, milk and vanilla; beat well.

3. Stir together flour, baking soda and salt; add to peanut butter mixture. Beat well. Shape into 1 inch balls; roll in additional granulated sugar. Place on ungreased cookie sheet.

4. Bake for eight minutes. Remove from oven. Press one milk chocolate candy into center of each warm cookie.

Return to oven; bake three minutes longer.



Protest/ SOA

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A fellow protester of Morey's, noticing the guns on the helicopter, commented to her that we should feel privileged that we live in a country where we don't have to fear them firing on us when others are not so lucky.

Morey was moved when an older woman crossing the protest line with her said that it was her generation's time to address the issues of today or we will not see a better tomorrow.

"The government sugar coats and omits information they don't

want us to know," said Morey. "If we don't push for answers they won't give them to us."

Protests are held annually in Ft. Benning, Ga. For more information, visit the official Web site of The School of Americas Watch, www.soaw.org.

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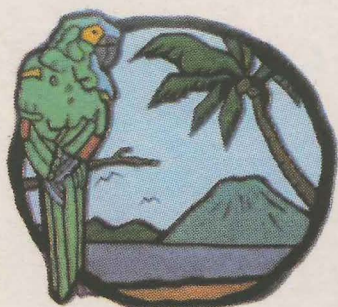
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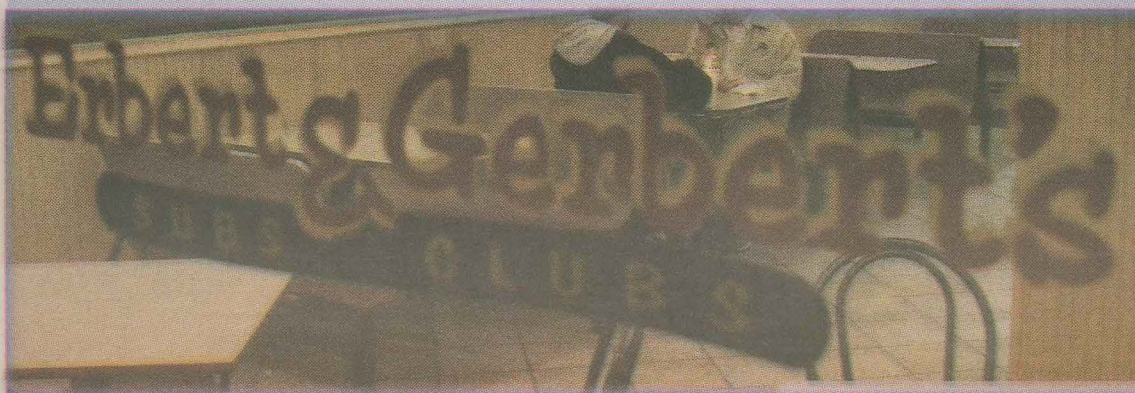
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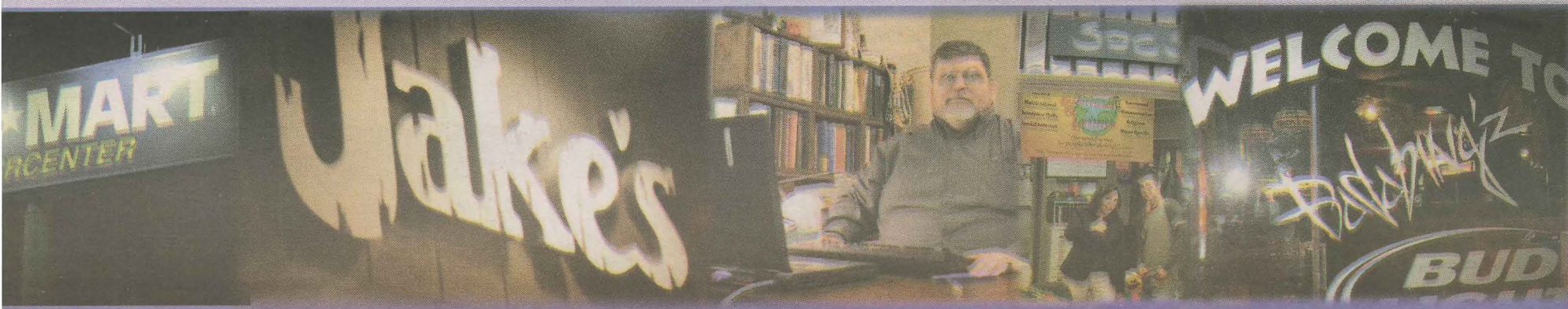
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Promising start to a new franchise



What's it Worth?

WB: Wait for the DVD.

JB: Worth a ticket.

Source: www.rottentomatoes.com

While on the surface, Disney's "The Lion, The Witch and The Wardrobe" appears to be a rich, colorful adaptation of a beloved children's book, there is a dar



Jarrod Burns and William Butchee

Entertainment Writers

A London family must move to the country to avoid bombing during WWII. The four children are sent to live with a professor in his large mansion, and while

exploring, they discover a portal to another world in the back of a wardrobe. The portal leads to Narnia, a land full of mystical creatures and talking animals that is ruled by an evil witch.

The four children learn they may be the only way to stop the witch's reign over Narnia.

JB: "The Chronicles of Narnia: The Lion, The Witch, and The Wardrobe" is a children's book that I haven't read since elementary school. I was interested to see if the makers of

this film would be able to entertain me now, as well as I was entertained then, by the book. Though my interest in medieval fantasy is extremely limited, this film proved to be as entertaining as any of the films in the "Lord of the Rings" series.

WB: Instead of being the generic children's fantasy movie, "Lion" stays true to the feeling of the book while still keeping a suspenseful pace. Story aside, the sets and characters mash together and keep the movie on a kids level to the end.

JB: The film did have the same quality as a storybook, and it was due, for the most part, to the stunning visuals.

The winter and Christmas theme is perfectly timed for its December release and also happens to look spectacular in the landscapes of Narnia.

The character and costume designs were great also, as was the casting, especially Tilda Swinton in the role of the White Witch.

WB: Most of these characters were created with the help of computer graphics (CG),

which surprisingly looked better than using real animals.

The voice acting for these characters made you forget that they were either CG or animals that shouldn't be talking; even the half horse / half human centaurs look believably real in "Lion" (though I don't approve of the use of centaurs in film or any other medium).

JB: Centaurs and other stupid fantasy creatures aside, the special effects were great, as well as the traditional elements of filmmaking.

The battle photography was well done for a children's film. There was no blood or excessive violence depicted, but the weight of the epic battle still came across.

In typical Disney fashion, "Lion" is a film with visuals and a story that are hard to criticize.

Despite its lengthy run time, my interest was still held to the end, and I felt thoroughly satisfied without looking into symbolism or deeper meaning that most people try to pull from the story.

WB: For a PG rated movie, "Lion" does a decent job of keeping the entire age spectrum entertained with its story and visuals.

Many of the actions of the main characters can be irritating at times.

Even so, all is forgiven during the half-hour battle between the good animals of Narnia and the White Witch's hoard of evil animals and hellish monsters.

Stout prof's exhibition a personal journey



Kyle Kingston

Entertainment Editor

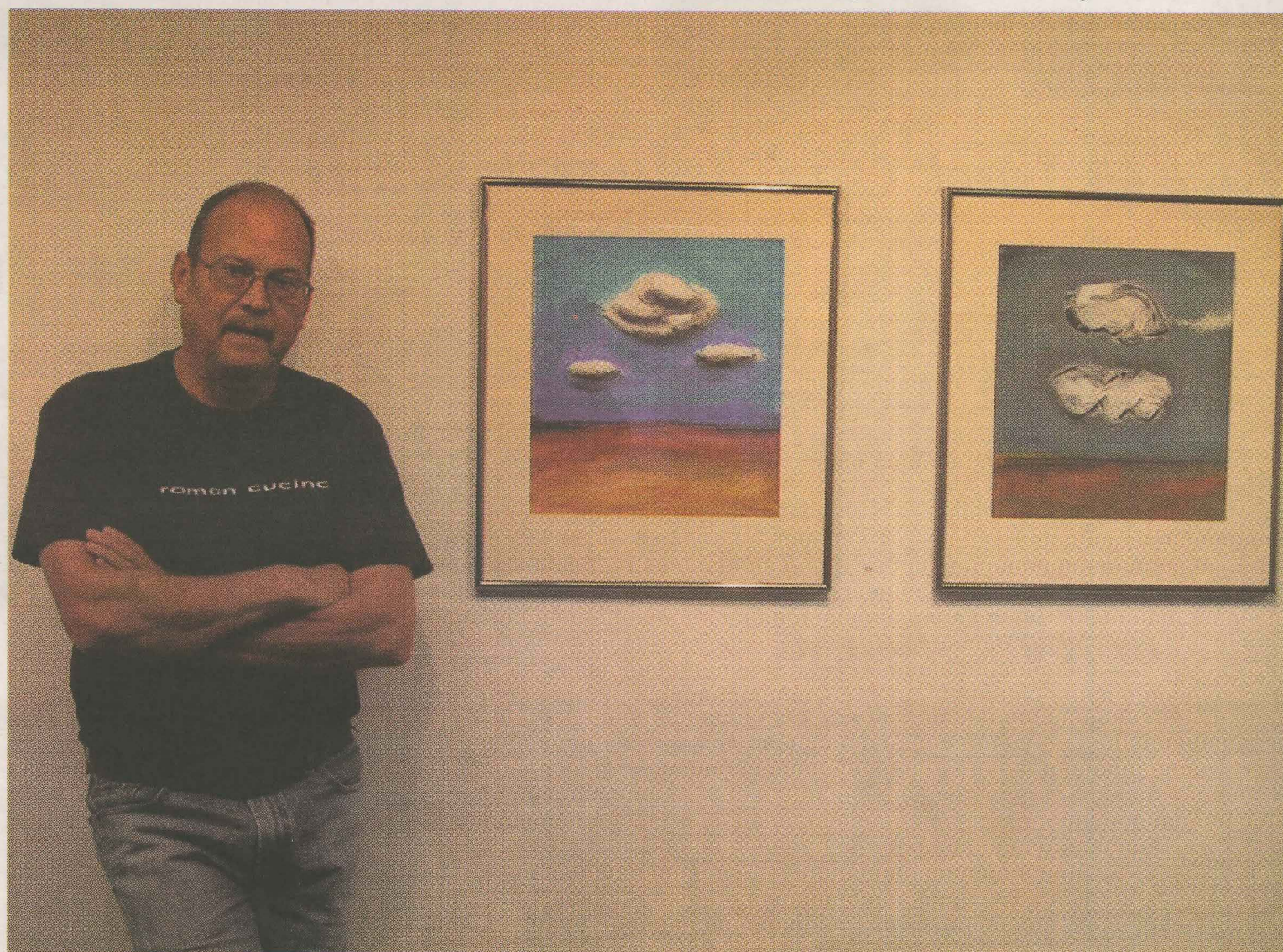
"From the Road," an exhibition by UW-Stout art foundations professor Rob Price, opened a month ago at Gallery 106. The 21 drawings shown were derived from Price's travels, based on sketches, photographs and personal recollection.

"Often, vistas observed while driving the Great Plains, farmlands, country sides and prairies prompted me to stop and record what seemed to almost 'beg' for notice," said Price. "Back in the studio, I have tried to convert these visions into translations that evoke the unassuming presence of nature."

The resulting work is often heavily abstracted, rendered with large blocks of color and gestural marks.

"I believe my point of departure is always some 'arrangement' of the space first, and second, to dramatize the character of the moment caught," said Price.

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Kyle Kingston/Stoutonia

Robert Price's exhibition, "For the Road," chronicles his travels through rural America, notably the Great Plains, farmlands, countrysides and prairies. Most of the works were done in 2005 and were executed on paper in mixtures of graphite, pastel and acrylic.

Art / Rob Price

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According to Price, the sky plays a large role in the structure of the scenes because it was nearly always what gave him pause as he observed from the windows of his car while driving. Atmospheric perspective is beautifully rendered through layers of different materials.

All the works on display were mixed media on paper, the vast majority being mixtures of graphite, pastel and acrylic. According to Price, working with these materials allows for a greater freedom to experiment with blending techniques and the application of marks.

Though Price admitted to preferring an abstract style, a

few of his exhibited works became surprisingly realistic. One work in particular, "Distant Farm (Threatening Sky)," fascinated him in the way it slowly evolved from abstraction as he continued working on it.

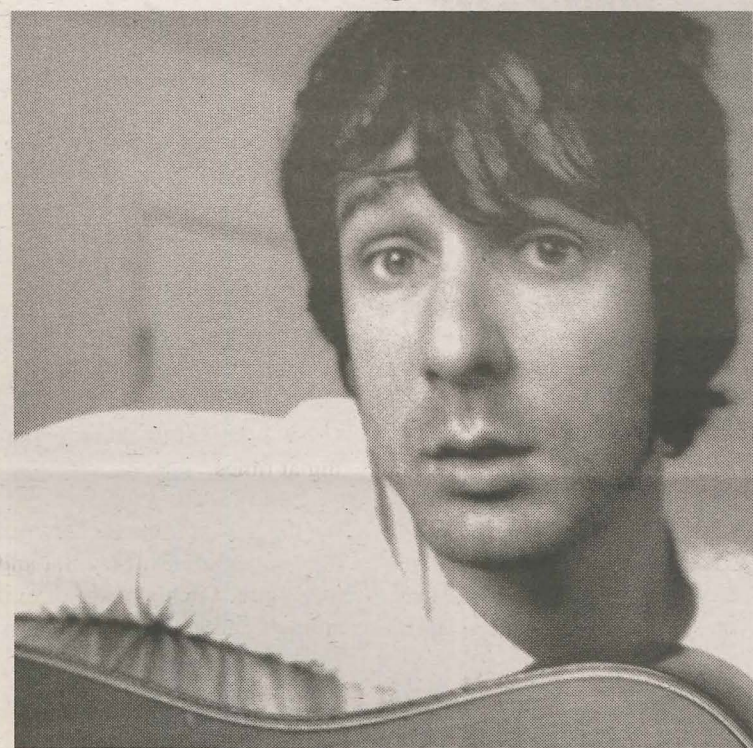
Price joined the faculty of the UW-Stout art department in 1970 and currently teaches part-time as a foundations instructor.

"It's a privilege to still be teaching in such a distinctive, uniquely strong art department," said Price.

"From the Road" is the second showing of Gallery 106 and closes this Friday. The next event at Gallery 106 will be a holiday show and sale starting Monday, Dec. 19, from 5 to 8 p.m.

Still sharp as anything

Former Weezer bassist gives mellow concert



Source: www.inmusicwetrust.com

In a show opened by local talent The Daredevil Christopher Wright, Matt Sharp's performance was memorable for honest, thoughtful solo work. Despite being a little mild-mannered for a crowd expecting something with more energy, the show was a success.



Justin Emry

Entertainment Writer

Last Friday, in the Davies Center of UW-Eau Claire, local band The Daredevil Christopher Wright opened for former Weezer bassist, Matt Sharp.

Since his departure from Weezer after the release of their sophomore album, "Pinkerton," Sharp has released several solo albums similar in style to Beck's 2002 album, "Sea Change."

The warm acoustic sounds of his solo albums contrast sharply with his other musical endeavor, The Rentals.

The Rentals take their sound straight from the glory days of Weezer, preserving the high-energy mixture of heavy synthesizers and catchy electric guitars.

I was quite surprised when Sharp took stage and announced that his set would consist almost entirely of acoustic covers

of Rentals songs. I was further surprised when it became clear that he would be performing these covers solo and without the aid of anything but an acoustic guitar.

I was doubtful at first, but my misgivings subsided once Sharp humorously invited the audience to "Sit the [expletive deleted] down ... you're making me nervous."

Once the audience had gotten comfortable, the show began.

Despite being a little drawn out, and perhaps a little too mild-mannered, the show was a great success.

"The crowd had a lot of energy," said Kristopher Reimann, a sophomore in material sciences. "I think Matt Sharp didn't quite cater to that, but for those in the mood for mellow, I'm sure they left feeling warm and fuzzy."

The concert was made memorable by Sharp's honest, thoughtful solo work as well as from the up-beat Rentals songs.

Excluding the occasional sleeping audience member, each song earned him an enthusiastic round of applause.

"Triangle" worth a look



Source: www.scifi.com

Above: The male leads of Sci-Fi's "The Triangle" pose for a picture. Apparently Sam Neill (second from left) forgot it was Casual Friday. Below: Catherine Bell tries to look confident.



Matt Schubbe

Entertainment Writer

If I've never mentioned this before, and I may have, I'm a sucker for a great science fiction story, or even a mediocre one. That said, I was interested in checking out the Sci-Fi Channel's latest original miniseries "The Triangle."

And just in case you were wondering, this has nothing to do with the three-sided instrument, but rather the delightfully puzzling enigma known as the Bermuda Triangle.

For anyone unfamiliar with it, the Bermuda Triangle is a triangular area in the Atlantic Ocean whose three points are Miami, Bermuda and Puerto Rico. It's an area where, over centuries, countless ships and planes have seemingly vanished without a trace, spawning crackpot theories of all kinds.

Sci-Fi's "The Triangle" ties in the storied history of the area by opening on a scene involving Columbus journeying to the New World.

Suddenly, a modern ocean liner passes within inches of his ship, and we are led to believe that the mysterious Bermuda Triangle is working its magic.

From there we are whisked away to the present day, where an eccentric billionaire and shipping magnate named Eric Benirall (Sam Neill) is gathering together a crack team of experts

in various fields to give him a definite answer about what happens when something is lost in the Bermuda Triangle. He has been losing his ships in this mysterious area over the past couple years; he wants answers and he has the money to get them.

The experts he chooses are the typical "group of misfits" expected in a story of this kind: a skeptical reporter (Eric Stoltz), a tough female ocean resource engineer (Catherine Bell), an overly confident scientist (Michael Rodgers) and a psychic (Bruce Davison).

Benirall has told them all that if they provide him answers, they'll receive \$5 million each. So, of course, they all get to work thinking that if they don't find anything, they'll fudge the results to get the cash.

At the same time as these events, another story is also being told. A Greenpeace worker (Lou Diamond Phillips), the survivor of an encounter within the Bermuda Triangle who is back home after recuperating in the hospital, is finding that his

memory has strange, unexplainable gaps in it. For example, he doesn't remember his youngest son at all, but he hasn't lost any memories of his older son.

This miniseries, while pretty entertaining, doesn't necessarily do anything that hasn't been seen before.

For the most part, the story is well executed and paced, but I just wish that they had tried to give the characters a little more depth.

We've seen tough female leads, eccentric billionaires and skeptical reporters before.

To be fair, the actors do fairly well with what they have, and they are only a little overshadowed by the visual effects.

The scenes involving air and watercrafts in "The Triangle" are at times awe-inspiring and even terrible to behold.

The only thing that really bothered me was that each episode lasts two hours, which gets a bit long.

Overall, this series is fun to watch and worth a second look, if only for some of the best visual effects seen in a TV production.



Source: www.scifi.com

Page upon page of rage

Rollins' book insightful, cutting commentary



Michael Graney
Entertainment Writer

Henry Rollins lets his anger out through his writing and his music. His latest book, "Roomanitarian," is filled with anger and pointed sarcasm as it tries to examine the bottom-line truth of modern living in five chapters.

Though the chapter runs a little long, "Ended" is where the anger really comes through as he talks about the Iraqi war, specifically about troop deployment and the commander in chief.

The writing is succinct, with words rolling across the page with real ferocity, which suits the views he expresses.

For example, Rollins believes that the president should lose a finger for every 1000 fatalities or casualties.

The chapter goes deeper than surface sarcasm as it examines the anger and grief of losing a loved one in war.

The second chapter, "To Ann Hitler with Love," is another study in sarcasm and satire, the target this time being extreme

conservative commentators. It is set up as a series of letters and fan Web site transcriptions.

The chapter is often quite funny, but unfortunately, the writing doesn't flow as smoothly as in the previous chapter.

The third chapter, "Walking the Chasm," is an odd mix about the benefits of being alone and of anger directed at infidelity.

It is the saddest, most poignant chapter in the book, examining the paradox of enjoying and hating solitude at the same time.

The paradox is particularly striking towards the end of the chapter.

The fourth chapter, "Letters to Whitey," skewers the elitist rich Caucasians who run the country, mocking how they are so out of touch with the average working person.

This chapter's bitter humor shows how detached our government has become.

The final chapter, "Song of the Solipsist," ends the book with an examination of the universal search for truth, how its importance persists even in the face of its futility.

Though truth may prove elusive, the anger involved in its search can still be therapeutic. "Roomanitarian" stands as Rollins' testament to that belief.

Sweating out the fever



Source: www.spinmagazine.com

Panic! At the Disco is a band of surprising quality. Their album, "A Fever You Can't Sweat Out," is a sign of good things to come.



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There is a panic spreading throughout the world. And no, this panic isn't being caused by a new wave of Kick-Me Elmo toys or by the surprise release of a new "Star Wars" film. This panic is being caused by one of the newest bands hitting today's

music scene, Panic! At the Disco. Surprisingly, this Las Vegas-based band's newest release, "A Fever You Can't Sweat Out," is finding airtime in venues besides the local disco.

When I first listened to the album I was quite skeptical. My first thought was that Panic! At the Disco would be just another band crammed with cliché emo lyrics and a mainstream pop-punk cypoccat sound.

But sure enough, through forced listening by friends, I found that the band's unique sound slowly grew on me. Panic! At the Disco's sound is a com-

bination of catchy sing-along lyrics, contagious toe-tapping beats, an experimental vibe and old-fashioned rock 'n' roll guitar playing. Their sound has been compared to popular bands like Fall Out Boy and The Academy Is... but with more of a get-on-your-feet-and-dance energy.

One of the most popular songs on the album is called "Time to Dance." This catchy, fast-paced electronically driven song is sure to get anyone's feet moving. The lyrics tell a ballroom story of embarrassment followed by encouragement, and its message is ultimately inspiring. "Time to Dance" is sure to become stuck in anyone's head, and that's a good thing in this case.

Panic! At the Disco has a bright future ahead of them. Before long, we will be seeing this band headlining its own tours and making daily appearances on mainstream networks such as MTV, VH1 and Fuse.

This band combines a sound that is already popular on today's music scene and adds a flare that is all their own.

Though it is a CD that many will initially reject, I believe that it will eventually become a favorite to anyone who gives it a second chance.

Panic! At the Disco's "A Fever You Can't Sweat Out" gets four out of five stars.

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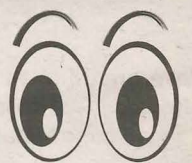
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Friday, Dec. 16

>Live Jazz, Shanghai Bistro, 6:30
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>Mojo Lemon, Klassix, 9 p.m.,
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>Flyin Fortress, The Mousetrap,
10 p.m., Free.

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>Acid Reflex, The Mousetrap,
10 p.m., Free.
>Boken Home, Stones Throw,
10 p.m., \$3.

Sunday, Dec. 18

>The Memories Holiday Show,
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Monday, Dec. 19

>The Q-tet, Stones Throw, 9
p.m., Free.

Tuesday, Dec. 20

>Acoustic Open Mic Night,
The Mousetrap, 10 p.m., Free.
>A-Scratch, Stones Throw, 10
p.m., Free.
>Lucky Creek Blues Band,
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Wednesday, Dec. 21

>Vinyl Vensday, House of Rock,
8 p.m., Free.

Thursday, Dec. 22

>NYCO, Stones Throw, 10 p.m.,
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If not for Mt. Dew, the
Entertainment section
would not get done!

Some DVDs for the holidays



Jarrod Burns and
William Butchee

Entertainment Writers

Some of the DVDs currently
available include the following:

"The Polar Express." This movie is likely to become an American holiday classic. Tom Hanks brings this illustrated children's book to life with his portrayal of most of the adult characters. This visually stunning computer animated film will be enjoyed by kids and adults alike.

"War of the Worlds." Tom Cruise, a struggling divorced father, protects his family from a hostile alien invasion. The aliens turn New England, and the rest of the world, into a warzone overnight.

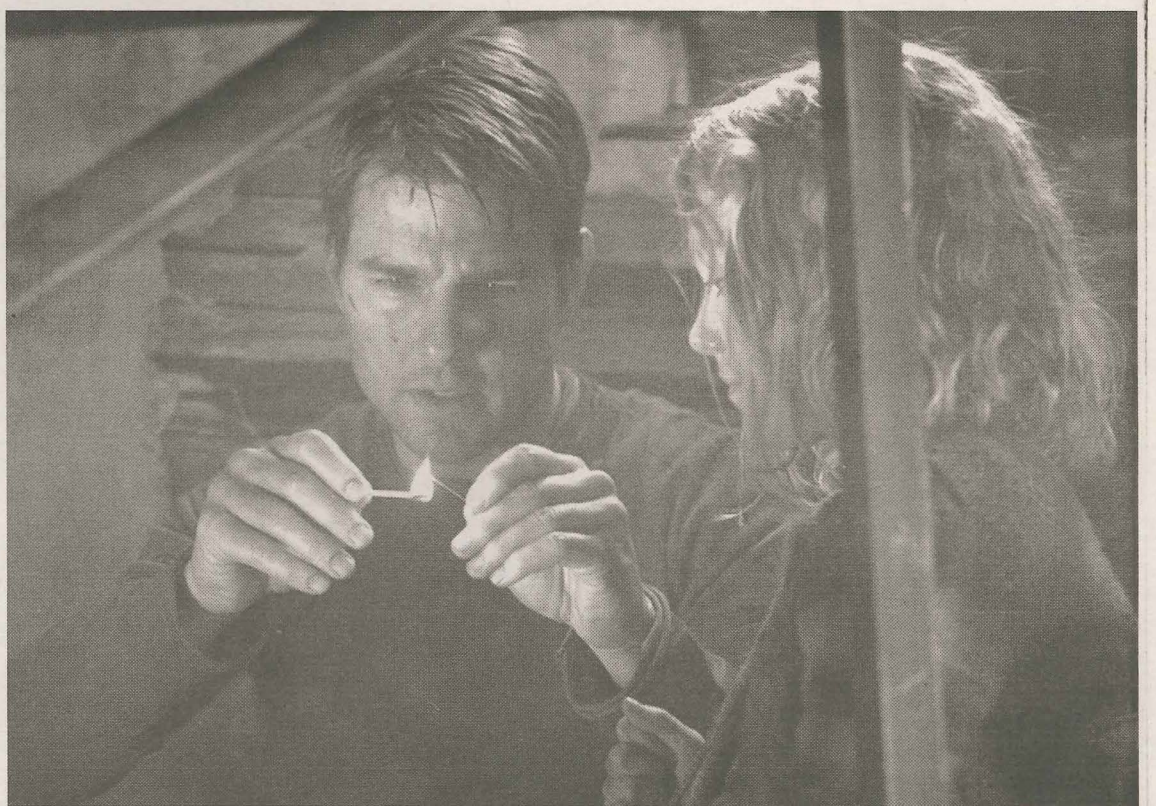
This remake of the original revamps the setting by bringing aliens into the modern world but also adds some great action scenes. "War of the Worlds" is almost scary and is a must for action and adventure fans.

"Deuce Bigalow: European Gigolo." In this sequel, Rob Schneider is in a new country and with new tricks to his trade. Hope you waited for this DVD release instead of seeing it in the theater.

"March of the Penguins." Narrated by Morgan Freeman, "March of the Penguins," is a documentary showing the life of penguins in Antarctica. The film had hugely successful theatrical release, so the DVD will likely sell quite well.

"Mr. & Mrs. Smith." Brad Pitt and Angelina Jolie are married assassins. The complication is that neither of them knows that their spouse is a competing assassin. This major blockbuster is now on DVD and well worth the purchase for action fans. There is plenty of gunplay and plenty of humor interjected by supporting cast member Vince Vaughn.

"Murderball." An independent documentary about the



Source: www.spielbergfilms.com

Tom Cruise explains to Dakota Fanning the Scientologist equivalent of Christmas as he lights the ceremonial Hubbard candles during filming of "War of the Worlds," one of many DVDs available for the holidays.

lives of wheelchair-bound athletes that play what they call Murderball, a version of rugby played with specialized armored wheelchairs. This is an enlightening, thought-provoking film.

"Cinderella Man." Said by some to be Ron Howard's finest film yet, "Cinderella Man" is the true story of a Depression-era boxer and his family. Russell Crowe and Renee Zellweger

play the couple with possible Oscar nominations in the future.

"The Dukes of Hazzard." Based on the hit show about the Duke brothers, this remake is written and directed by the comedy troupe "Broken Lizard," who wrote and directed the college hits "Super Troopers" and "Club Dread."

"Dukes of Hazzard" will almost surely be another college

hit, with its hip cast including Jessica Simpson, Sean William Scott and Johnny Knoxville. Too bad it sucks.

"Fantastic Four." While conducting an experiment on a space station, five scientists gain superhuman powers.

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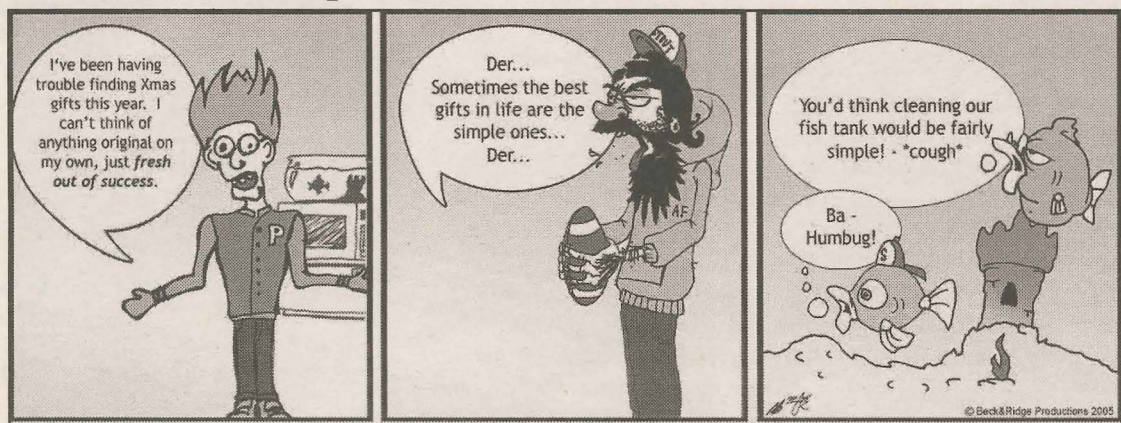
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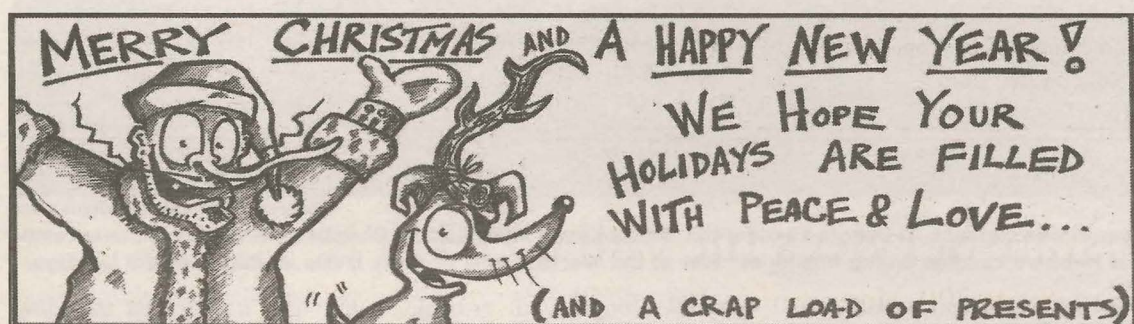
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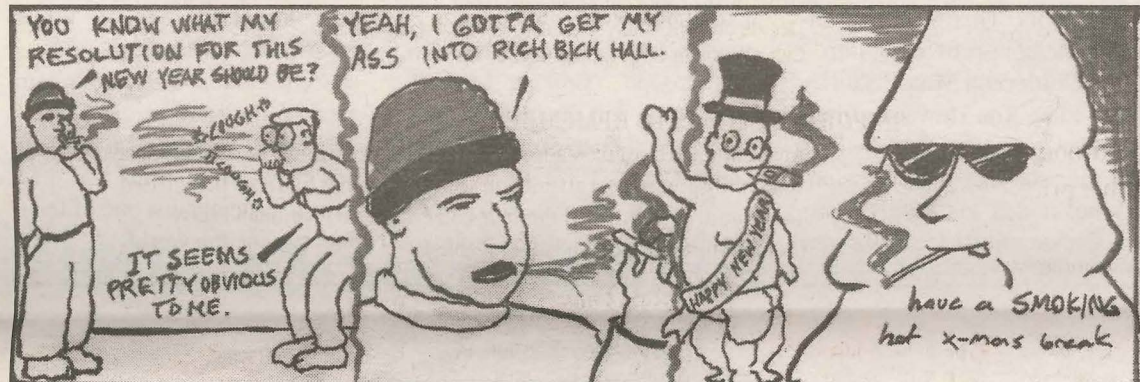
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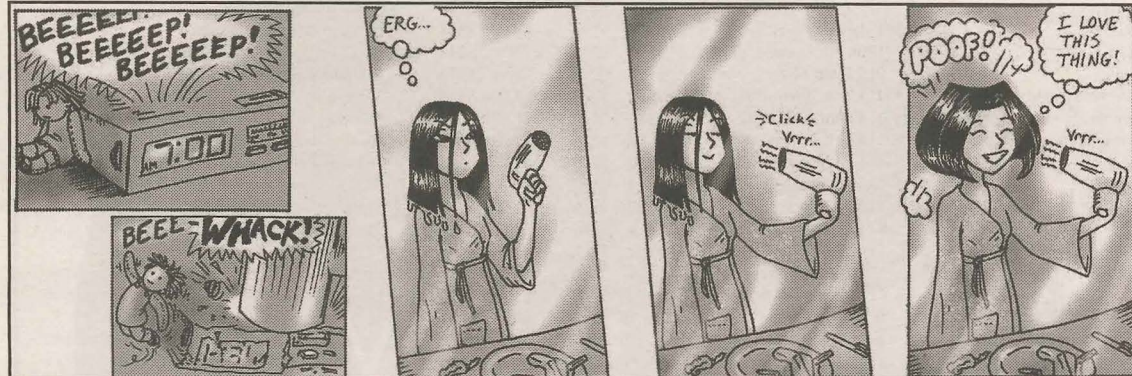
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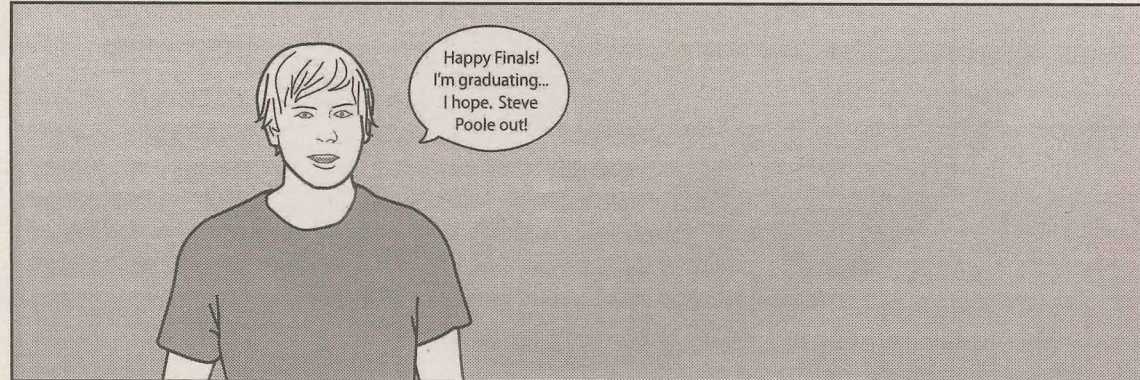
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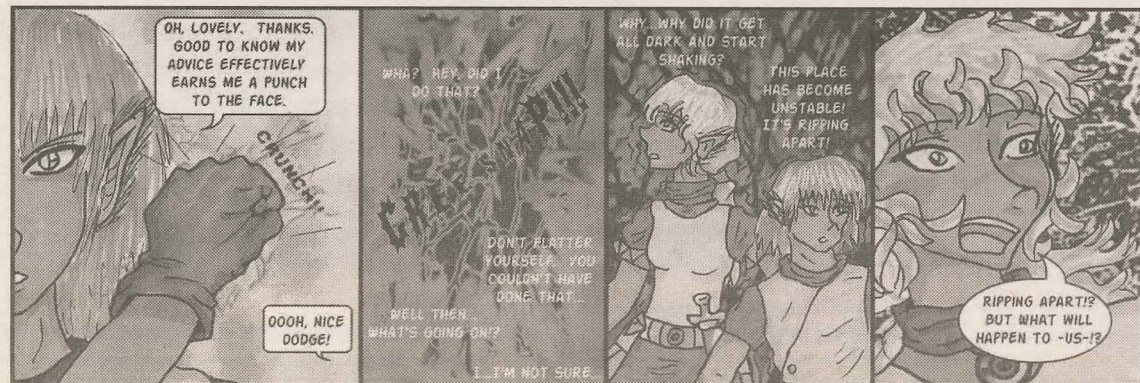
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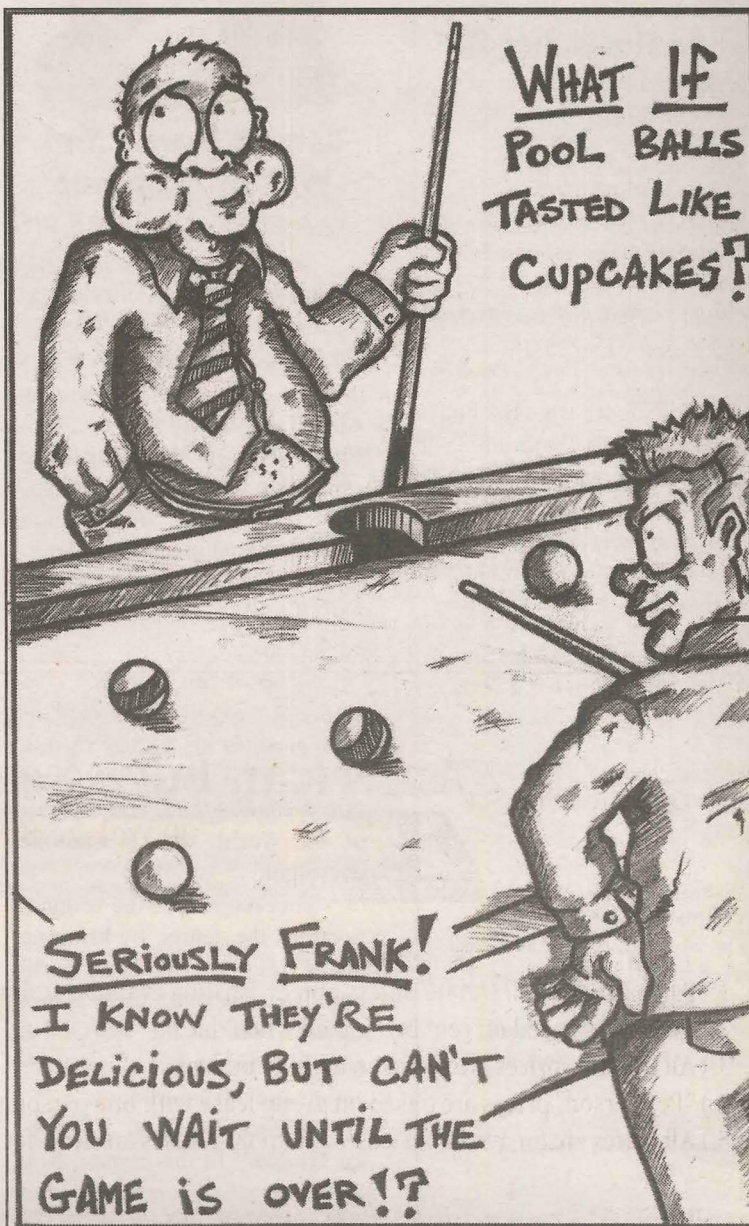
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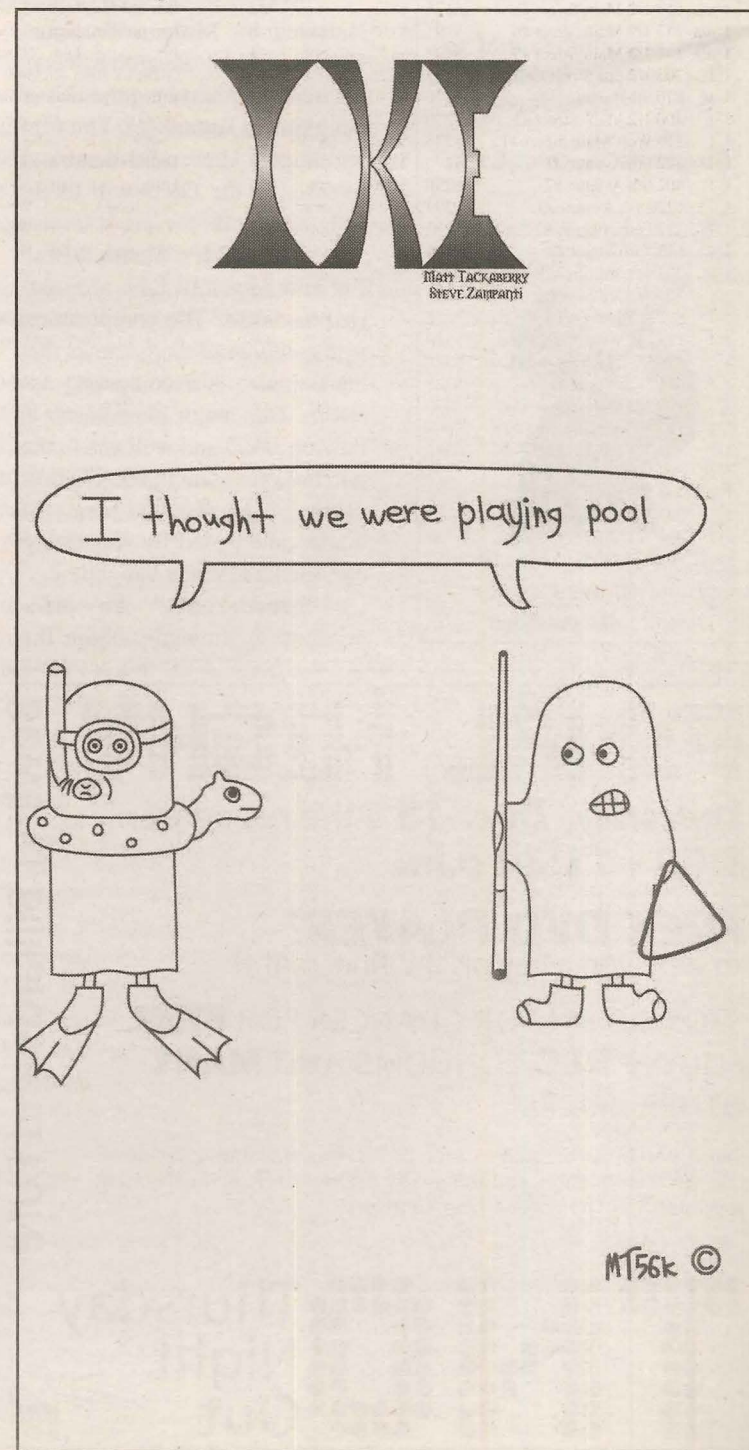
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1	n/a	\$195	\$195	n/a	n/a	Inc. utilities, bath off hallway, washer/dryer	SR	4	1	\$600	\$150	\$720	\$180	Washer/dryer excellent shape/lrg rooms	D
1	n/a	\$195	\$195	n/a	n/a	Inc. utilities, bath off hallway, washer/dryer	SR	4	1	\$600	\$150	\$810	\$203	Washer/dryer, gas heat, garage	H
1	1	\$225	\$225	n/a	n/a	Great location, includes WSG & heat	A	4	1	\$600	\$150	\$750	\$188	WD good location, gas heat	H
1	1	\$240	\$240	n/a	n/a	Efficiency apartment includes utilities	3	4	1	\$620	\$155	\$800	\$200	Gas heat/garage/large rooms/ W/D hookup	H
1	1	\$270	\$270	n/a	n/a	WSG+HW inc. storage, close to campus	6	4	1	\$620	\$155	\$790	\$198	Super location, washer/dryer	H
1	1	\$275	\$275	\$350	\$350	Close to campus and downtown	3	4	2	\$775	\$194	\$975	\$244	Close to campus, large nice rooms	H
1	1	\$290	\$290	n/a	n/a	Utilities included, parking	6	4	1	\$800	\$200	\$980	\$245	Large rooms, W/D parking, location	H
1	1	\$290	\$290	n/a	n/a	Utilities included, parking	6	4	1	\$800	\$200	\$980	\$245	Good location in duplex, parking	D
1	1	\$295	\$295	n/a	n/a	Nice location, incl. WSG & hot water, studio	8	4	1.5	\$880	\$220	\$1,030	\$258	Mod., high eff. Gas heat, W/D a/c, avail. 8/01/06	8
1	1	\$295	\$295	n/a	n/a	Nice location, incl. WSG & hot water, studio	8	4	1.5	\$880	\$220	\$1,030	\$258	Modern, high eff. Gas heat, W/D a/c	8
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1	1	\$295	\$295	n/a	n/a	Great location, includes WSG & heat	A	4	1.5	\$880	\$220	\$1,030	\$258	Modern, high eff. Gas heat, W/D a/c	8
1	1	\$315	\$315	n/a	n/a	Includes all utilities, parking	6	4	1.5	\$880	\$220	\$1,030	\$258	Modern, high eff. Gas heat, W/D a/c	8
1	1	\$320	\$320	\$395	\$395	Close to campus and downtown	3	4	1.5	\$880	\$220	\$1,030	\$258	Modern, high eff. Gas heat, W/D a/c	8
1	1	\$325	\$325	n/a	n/a	Upper duplex, nice size rooms	D	4	1	\$900	\$225	n/a	n/a	Great location, close to campus, garage	H
1	1	\$325	\$325	n/a	n/a	Nice location, incl. WSG & hot water, studio	8	4	1	\$900	\$225	\$1,120	\$280	Large apartment, super location washer/dryer	D
1	1	\$330	\$330	n/a	n/a	WSG+HW inc. storage, close to campus	6	4	1.5	\$900	\$225	\$1,090	\$273	Large apartment, super location washer/dryer	D
1	1	\$345	\$345	n/a	n/a	Great location, includes WSG & heat, 1 parking	A	4	2	\$1,000	\$250	\$1,210	\$303	New large bedrooms, close to campus	D
1	1	\$345	\$345	n/a	n/a	Great location, utilities included, 1 parking	A	4	2	\$1,020	\$255	\$1,270	\$318	Beautiful house, garage, location, washer/dryer	H
1	1	\$335	\$335	n/a	n/a	Great location, utilities included, parking	8	4	2	\$1,040	\$260	\$1,250	\$313	Washer/dryer deck good location	H
1	1	\$340	\$340	n/a	n/a	WSG+HW inc. storage, close to campus	6	4	2	\$1,040	\$260	\$1,240	\$310	Huge washer/dryer, deck downtown, parking	H
1	1	\$345	\$345	n/a	n/a	Great location, utilities included, parking	8	4	2	\$1,100	\$275	\$1,345	\$336	Beautiful house w/decks close to campus W/D	H
1	1	\$350	\$350	n/a	n/a	WSG+HW inc. storage, close to campus	6	5	1	\$600	\$120	\$860	\$172	Washer/dryer great location	H
1	1	\$350	\$350	n/a	n/a	Great location, utilities included, parking	8	5	2	\$750	\$150	\$1,000	\$200	Large, parking, 2 family rooms	D
1	1	\$360	\$360	n/a	n/a	Great location, utilities included, parking	8	5	2	\$750	\$150	\$1,000	\$200	Large, parking, 2 family rooms	D
1	1	\$360	\$360	n/a	n/a	Great location, utilities included, parking	8	5	1	\$820	\$164	\$1,040	\$208	Washer/dryer, great location	H
1	1	\$410	\$410	n/a	n/a	Great location, includes WSG & heat, 1 parking	A	5	2	\$840	\$168	\$1,000	\$200	Washer/dryer, very large, parking	3
1	1	\$375	\$375	n/a	n/a	Gas heat, upper duplex, great location	D	5	2	\$850	\$170	\$1,030	\$206	Great house washer/dryer garage, modern	H
1	1	\$390	\$390	n/a	n/a	Inc. heat, WSG, hot water, very large & nice	4	5	2	\$900	\$180	\$1,145	\$229	Washer/dryer great location	H
1	1	\$395	\$395	n/a	n/a	Inc. heat, WSG, hot water, parking	6	5	2	\$900	\$180	n/a	n/a	Big house, nice location Available 9/02/06	H
1	1	\$395	\$395	n/a	n/a	Great location, utilities included, parking	8	5	2	\$925	\$185	\$1,205	\$241	Lots of rooms on 2 levels, upgrades W/D	D
1	1	\$475	\$475	n/a	n/a	Great location, utilities included, parking	8	5	1.5	\$1,000	\$200	\$1,260	\$252	Good layout/close to campus	H
2	1	\$330	\$165	\$428	\$214	Enclosed front porch, great location	D	5	2	\$1,025	\$205	\$1,305	\$261	Detached garage, large, washer/dryer	H
2	1	\$350	\$175	n/a	n/a	Gas heat, lower duplex, great location	D	5	2	\$1,100	\$220	\$1,380	\$276	Newer W/D, has everything	3
2	1	\$360	\$180	\$458	\$229	Close to campus and downtown	3	5	2	\$1,100	\$220	\$1,380	\$276	Newer W/D, has everything	3
2	1	\$360	\$180	\$500	\$250	Good location, parking	4	5	2.5	\$1,125	\$225	\$1,405	\$281	Great location, W/D, large rooms, fenced yard	H
2	1	\$360	\$180	\$500	\$250	Good location, parking	4	5	2	\$1,150	\$230	\$1,430	\$286	Washer/dryer, parking, good location, large	D
2	1	\$375	\$188	n/a	n/a	Lower duplex, gas heat	D	5	2	\$1,325	\$265	\$1,545	\$309	Washer/dryer, parking, large bedrooms	D
2	1	\$380	\$190	\$500	\$250	Close to campus and downtown	3	6	1.5	\$700	\$117	\$960	\$160	Washer/dryer, gas heat, north campus	H
2	1	\$380	\$190	\$450	\$225	Close to campus and downtown, parking	3	6	2	\$900	\$150	\$1,100	\$183	Washer/dryer, storage, gas heat	H
2	1	\$395	\$198	n/a	n/a	Inc. WSG, washer dryer	4	6	2	\$1,050	\$175	\$1,330	\$222	Modern house very lrg. rooms, good location	H
2	1	\$395	\$198	n/a	n/a	Inc. WSG, washer dryer	4	6	2	\$1,170	\$195	\$1,450	\$242	Washer/dryer new carpet, very nice	H
2	1	\$395	\$198	n/a	n/a	Inc. WSG, washer dryer	4	6	2	\$1,200	\$200	\$1,480	\$247	Fabulous newer construction washer/dryer	D
2	1	\$395	\$198	n/a	n/a	Inc. WSG, washer/dryer	4	6	2	\$1,200	\$200	\$1,445	\$241	New, large bedrooms, washer/dryer	4
2	1	\$395	\$198	\$495	\$248	Good location in duplex, parking	D	6	2	\$1,230	\$205	\$1,500	\$250	Large deck, gas heat, washer/dryer	H
2	1	\$400	\$200	n/a	n/a	Gas heat, next to campus	D	6	2	\$1,250	\$208	\$1,510	\$252	Newer unit, great location, washer/dryer	D
2	1	\$420	\$210	\$590	\$295	Huge bedrooms, enclosed front porch	D	6	2	\$1,260	\$210	\$1,510	\$252	Location, washer/dryer Parking	D
2	1	\$440	\$220	n/a	n/a	Inc. heat, WSG, hot water, excellent location	4	6	2	\$1,260	\$210	\$1,540	\$257	Large, super location, washer/dryer, newer	D
2	1	\$460	\$230	n/a	n/a	Inc. heat, WSG hot water, excellent location	4	7	2	\$1,190	\$170	\$1,415	\$202	Great location, washer/dryer	H
2	1	\$500	\$250	\$650	\$325	Garage, washer/dryer, great house	H	7	2	\$1,400	\$200	\$1,700	\$243	Large house, 1 blk. from campus	H
2	1	\$520	\$260	n/a	n/a	Includes all utilities, parking	6	7	2	\$1,600	\$229	\$1,900	\$271	Newly remodeled, washer/dryer, fabulous house	H
2	1	\$525	\$263	n/a	n/a	Includes all utilities, parking	6	8	2.5	\$1,800	\$225	\$2,010	\$251	Large house, W/D, across from stadium	H
2	1	\$540	\$270	n/a	n/a	Inc. heat, WSG, hot water, parking	6								
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3	1	\$570	\$190	n/a	n/a	Lower duplex, available 8/01/06	D								
3	1	\$450	\$150	\$535	\$178	Next to campus, washer/dryer	D								
3	1	\$525	\$175	\$675	\$225	Parking and convenient location, nice rooms	3								
3	1	\$550	\$183	n/a	n/a	Close to campus, parking	H								
3	1	\$600	\$200	n/a	n/a	Lrg. Rooms, gas heat, parking	4								
3	1	\$600	\$200	\$765	\$255	Good location, parking, economical	D								
3	1	\$675	\$225	n/a	n/a	Utilities included, parking	6								
3	1	\$780	\$260	n/a	n/a	Inc. Utilities, W/D great location, very large	A								

Blue Devil Awards

Women's Cross Country

MVP: Krista Jahimiak

Most Inspirational: Leah Karaliunas

Most Improved Newcomer: Christina Anderson

Most Improved Returner: Bridgette Crozier

2006 Captains: Stephanie Nichols and Crozier

Men's Cross Country

MVP: Nate Haeny

Rookie of the Year: Matt Kennedy

Coach's Award: Ryan Tellock

Most Improved: Mike Heinen and Jon Golem

Lou Klitzke Award: Brett Heimstead

2006 Captains: Golem and Haeny

Volleyball

Offensive Player of the Year: Jenny McDermid

Co-Defensive Players of the Year: Casey Huntoon and Rachel Linbo

Hustle Award: Kat Roesler

Spirit Award: Lacey Bunkleman

Most Improved Player: Natalie Naaktgeboren

Football

D3football.com All-West Region Team members:

Joe Seep and Evan Larsen

NCAA Division III All-American: Joe Seep

Soccer

NCAA Adidas All-Central Region Team member:

Heidi Schultz

(Sorry to any end of semester awards we missed!)

Sports Briefs

The University of Wisconsin-Stout's cornerback Joe Seep and place kicker Evan Larsen were named to the D3football.com All-West Region Team. Seep finished the season with five interceptions and was in on 40 tackles. Larsen was noted as the most accurate place kicker in the league making 11-of-14 field goals.

Seep also has been chosen as a first team NCAA Division III All-American by the American Football Coaches Association. He will play in the Aztec Bowl against the Mexican National Team on Dec. 17 in Toluca, Mexico.

UW-Stout's defensive midfielder Heidi Schultz was named as a member of the third team of the 2005 NCAA/Adidas All-Central Region Team. Schultz finished her collegiate career with 12 goals and 23 assists.

Blue Devils' Mike Stone turned away 57 shots Saturday as the University of Wisconsin-Stout men's hockey team (8-6-0, 4-2-0) defeated the University of Wisconsin-Superior 4-0 in a Northern Collegiate Hockey Association game. Andrew Stearns scored two goals for the Blue Devils.

UW-Stout's Kelsey Duoss scored 21 points and snagged 18 rebounds Saturday, but the Blue Devil women's basketball team came up short as the University of Wisconsin-Oshkosh came away with the 80-68 victory. Although UW-Stout rebounded over UW-Oshkosh 54-35 the Blue Devils had 20 turnovers during the game.

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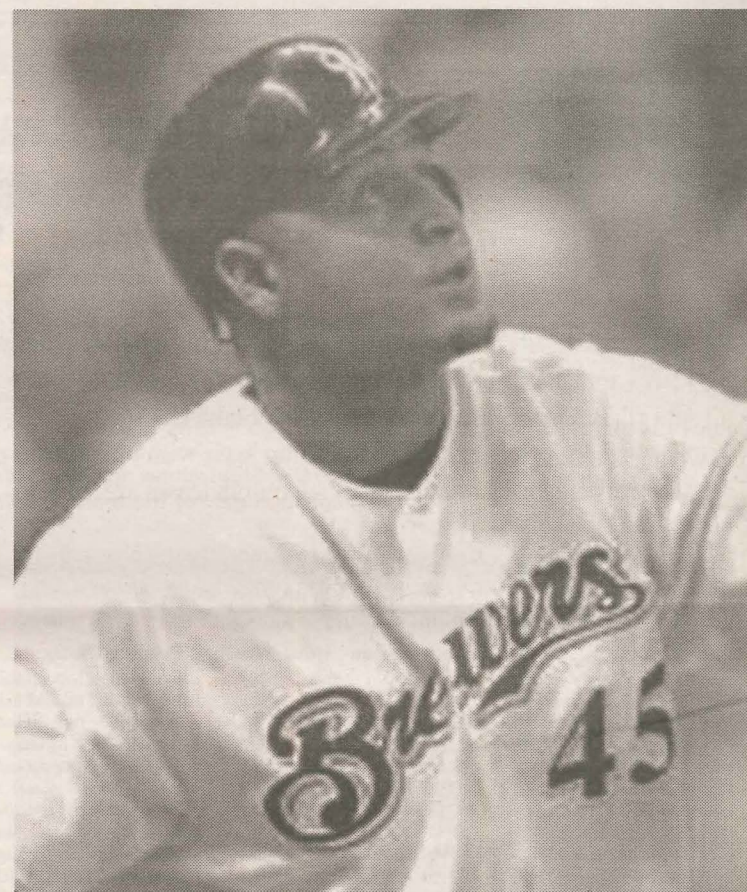
he take a freaking safety!?!).

Upset of the Year: The fact that the Milwaukee Brewers finished with something other than a losing record. Granted – in typical Brewers fashion – they lost the final game of the year when they could have broke their string of 13 consecutive non-winning seasons. Still, an 81-81 record was a big surprise. Maybe greener pastures are finally ahead for the crew.

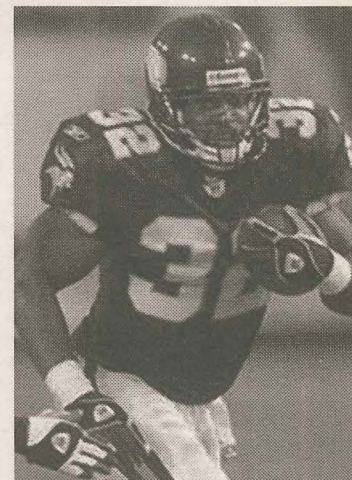
You Can't Be Any Dumber Award: Onterio Smith and Rafael Palmeiro. Are these guys serious? One told congress he never has taken steroids and

then got busted for them a few months later. As for Smith, well, let's just say he wasn't 100 percent confident he would pass a drug test and leave it at that.

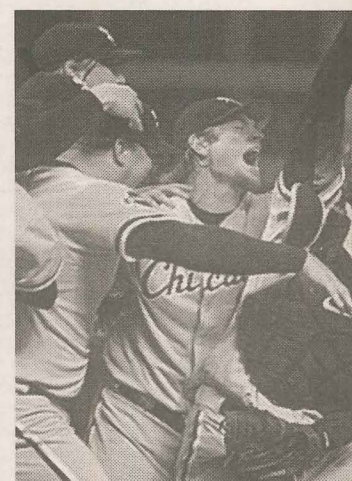
Represent Your School Award: Joe Vavra and Jeff Keenan. Vavra, a standout Blue Devil baseball player from 1980-82, was recently named the hitting coach for the Minnesota Twins. Vavra was drafted by the Los Angeles Dodgers but never reached the big leagues as a player. Keenan, a student manager for Stout Adventures, has been elected as the national student representative to the board of the Association of Outdoor Recreation and Education.



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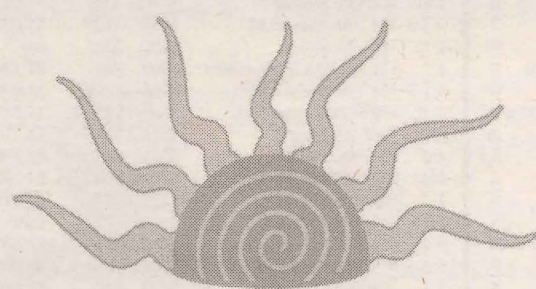


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2005 was a hectic year for the sports world, from steroid usage to the Brewers not being big losers. Then again, when are sports not hectic?



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Cheers from both genders

By Kevin Mancusi
Guest Writer

The crowd watches intently as the team gets into formation. They go for the toss, the catch is good and the crowd goes wild! This may sound like the perfect win in a game here in college, but in reality, it's just another day in the life of a University of Wisconsin-Stout cheerleader.

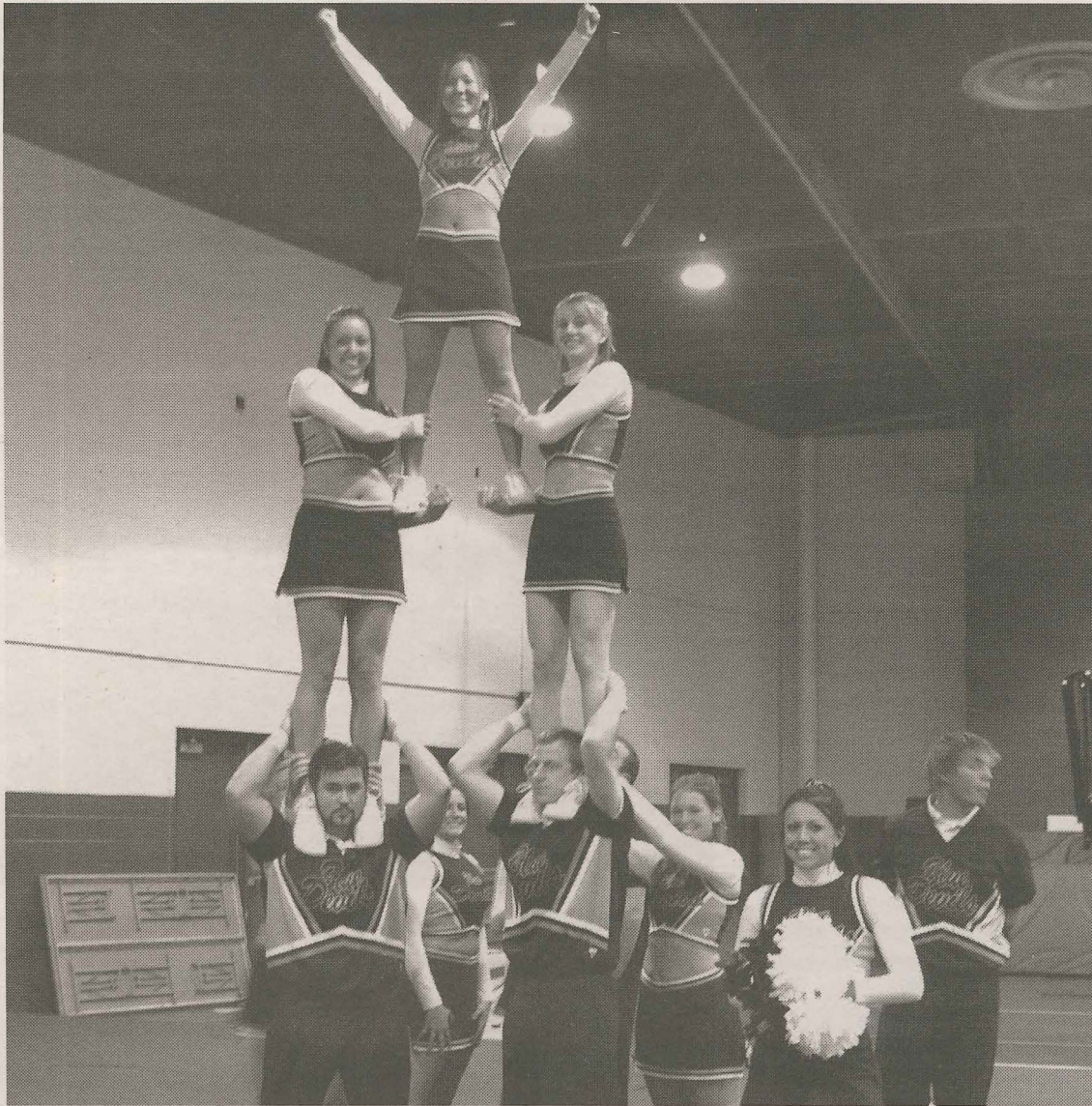
Many do not realize that there is more to cheerleading than team spirit and entertaining the crowd. Cheerleading is highly athletic and in some areas is considered a competitive sport. International championships have more than 210 squads participating and are sometimes televised on sports channels.

In America it can be considered a full-fledged sport due to regional, state and national championships held. With all this in mind, the biggest point that needs to be addressed is this: guys, it is okay to be a cheerleader.

The UW-Stout cheer and stunt team is comprised of approximately 12 female cheerleaders and seven stuntmen and they cheer for all of the football games and all of the home men's and women's basketball games.

"The crowd loves our stunts and it seems like more people attend these games because of the cheer and stunt team," said Aaron Mader, a senior on the team. "It would be difficult for the girls to stunt to the level we are at now without the guys to cheerlead with them."

Competitive cheerleading can easily be compared to many sports. Practicing is essential to improvement. The team prac-



The UW-Stout cheer and stunt team is made up of 12 female and seven male members. The men are an important part of the team, proving that gender barriers should not exist when it comes to cheering.

tices three nights a week for approximately two hours. During practices, the team warms up and works on stunts, cheers, dances and jumps.

"The men on the team are dedicated, hardworking and valuable individuals that bring a lot to the sport; without the guys, stunts just wouldn't be as impressive or unique as they are right

now," said UW-Stout cheerleading coach Christa Wells.

Cheerleading and the other sports share another thing in common here on campus: injuries. These can range anywhere from black eyes to broken bones or can potentially result in paralysis.

Despite the common belief, cheerleading actually started in 1898 by a man named Johnny Campbell. When it started, all the cheerleaders were men. Many famous celebrities such as Kirk Douglas, Samuel L. Jack-

son and Jimmy Stewart were all cheerleaders. And while the majority of cheerleaders may be female, more than 50 percent of collegiate cheerleaders are men.

So the next time you see the UW-Stout cheer and stunt team running onto the field or basketball floor, cheer with them and realize you are watching athletes who put in just as many hours of hard work and spirit as the other teams here at UW-Stout. The only difference is that they do it for the people cheering on the Blue Devils teams.

STOUTONIA'S Athlete OF THE Week

Sophomore goalie Mike Stone achieved a major feat in his hockey career on Saturday, Dec. 11 during the game at UW-Superior. He blocked 57 Yellow Jacket shots on goal earning his first career shutout.

This game caused him to earn the Northern Collegiate Hockey Association (NCHA) and the Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (WIAC) titles of player of the week.

Stone was a key player in stopping all nine of Superior's power play opportunities.

For the season, Stone has a goals against average of 3.10. He has a 90.9 saves percentage.



Mike Stone Hockey

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Stone, goalie, turned away 57 goals for his first career shutout.

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BLUE DEVIL
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The Blue Devils scored four points to UW-Superior's zero on Dec. 10. UW-Stout is now at 4-2-0 in the NCHA: a tie with St. Norbert College for first place.

WOMEN'S
BASKETBALL
(4-1)

The Blue Devil women's basketball team defeated St. Scholastica 93-56 on Dec. 13 in the Johnson Fieldhouse. The ladies only let the Saints get within six points one time the whole game.

MEN'S
BASKETBALL
(5-3)

Men's Blue Devil basketball won their game at Bethany Lutheran College on Monday. The end score was 67-60. The next game is Dec. 19 at home.



Dodging testicular cancer

By Matt Edison
Sports Writer

The first Protect Your Balls Dodgeball Tournament was held Saturday, Dec. 10, at 1 p.m. in the Multi-Purpose Room of the Johnson Fieldhouse. This tournament was organized by Colleges Against Cancer in order to raise money for testicular cancer research/patients, and to increase the awareness of testicular cancer.

There were a total of 13 teams that participated in the event including many campus organizations, such as Chi Lambda and the Water Ski Club.

Around 30 people attended the event just to watch, and IRHA gave money to supply hot dogs, chips and juice for participants and viewers.

The tournament was a double elimination where if a team lost twice they would be knocked out of the tournament, but if a team only lost once they could still play.

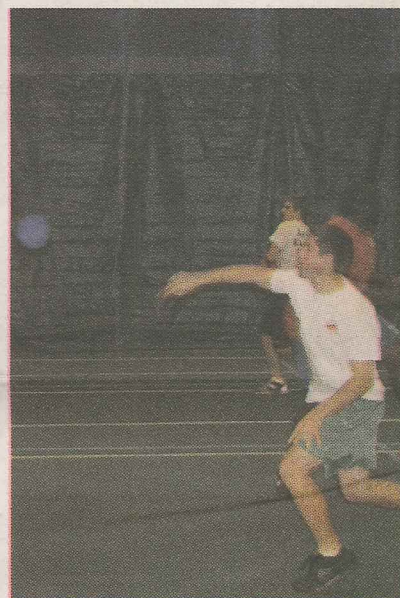
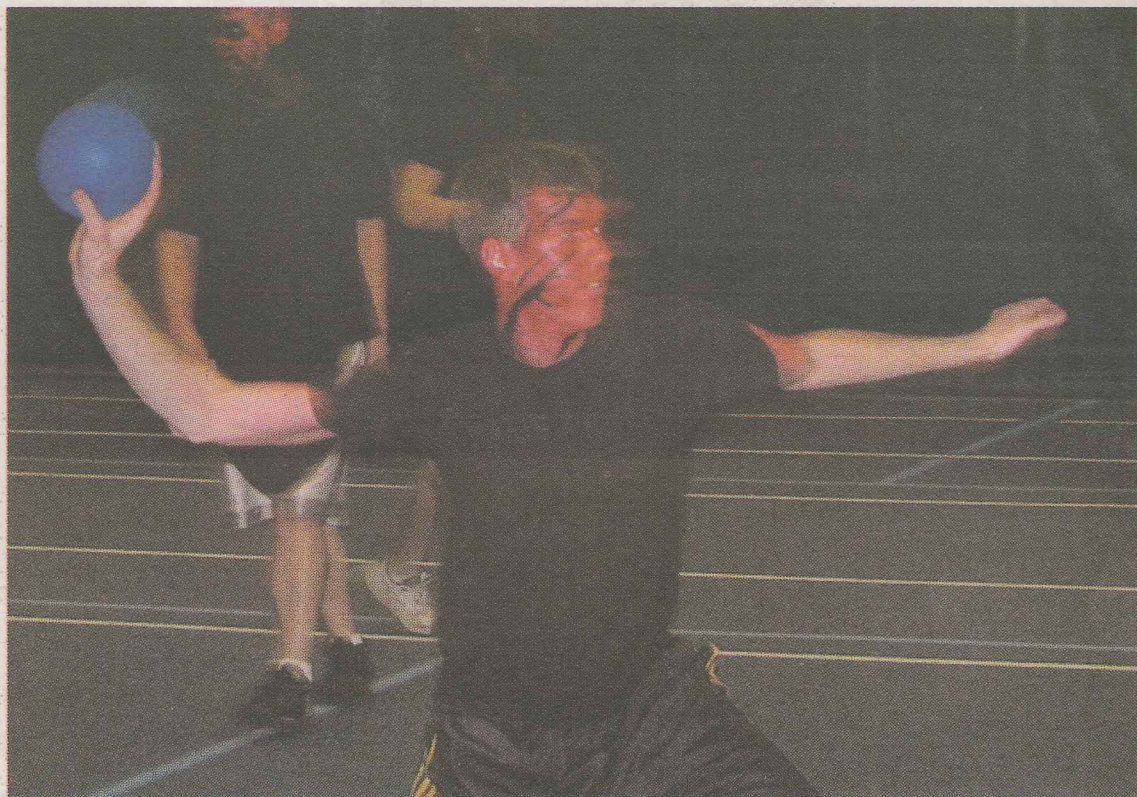
"I am excited about this event because it brings awareness to the guys about the effects of testicular cancer," said Justen Willemon, the president of College Against Cancer.

This was a creative way of not only bringing awareness to the campus about testicular cancer, but got the students to interact with each other also.

"There was a lot of enthusiasm and I am glad that there was such a great turn out," said Nicole Hilton, a leader at the event.

Each six-person team was required to pay a \$36 fee that paid for T-shirts and participation in the event, while the remaining amount was set to be donated to the testicular/prostate cancer cause.

Due to financial problems, no money was able to be donated this year, but the admission



Photos Courtesy of Jeff Keenan

Colleges Against Cancer held the Protect Your Balls Dodgeball Tournament in order to raise awareness of prostate and testicular cancers. Next year they hope to donate money to the American Cancer Society.

fee will be raised next year so CAC can donate money to the American Cancer Society.

Homemade trophies were awarded to the top three teams.

In first place was team 5 Guys 8 Balls, in second was team Chi Lambda #1, and in third was team Recycling.

"We did have one participant that said he was going to

the doctor because after looking at the information we had, he thought that he may be at risk of testicular cancer," said Willemon. "This alone made everything worth it."

A year in sports: looking back at 2005



Bryan Horwath
Sports Columnist

Where does the time go? It seems like just yesterday it was 85 degrees outside and the stench of Lake Menomin was hovering over the city like a guilty conscience. Ah, memories.

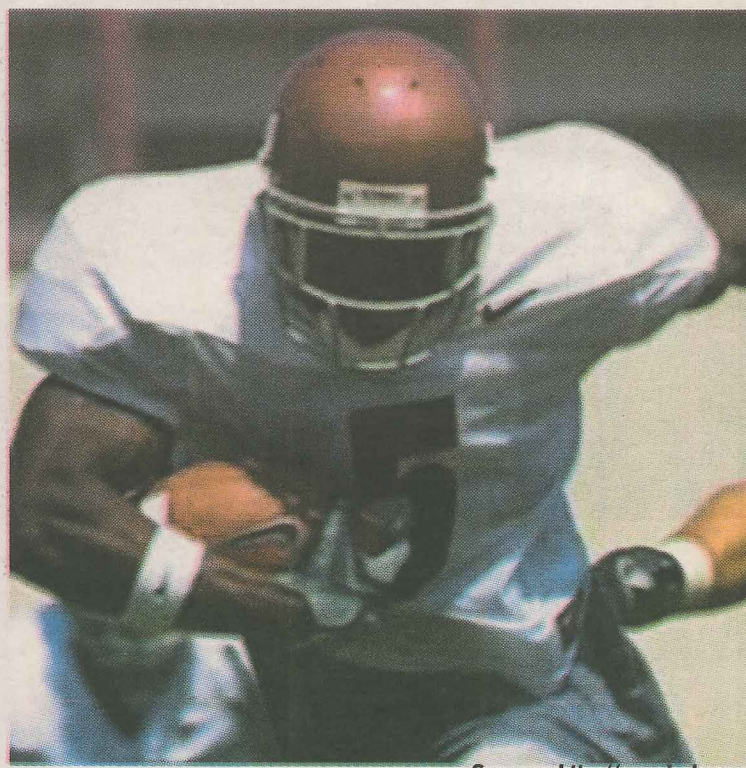
A few short months later, the weather is cold and the lake is frozen. Yes, 2005 is almost in the books so I thought it appropriate to dish out some awards to the most memorable people in the worlds of sports. Here's what I came up with.

Player of the Year: Reggie Bush. Realistically, Usher

could win this award every day of his life, but, in all seriousness, the guy has to be Bush, the University of Southern California running back and new Heisman Trophy winner. Every time he touches the ball, you have to watch because he might do something you've never seen before.

Team of the Year: Although I was leaning toward Terrell Owens' team of psychiatrists, I'm going to go with the Chicago White Sox. Any time you win a championship for the first time in nearly a century, that's pretty special.

Game of the Year: Wisconsin 38, Minnesota 34. Blocked punt in the Metrodome with 30 seconds left. Enough said. I can still hear the muffled screams of Gopher fans now ("why didn't



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Reggie Bush was an outstanding player of 2005 for the University of Southern California. He won the Heisman Trophy.

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Hollywood big-timer stole 'S'

By Lindsey Schuldt
News Editor

About that big 'S' that was added to Bowman Hall in 2004, where did it come from, and why was it suddenly there?

The 'S' in fact was not a new edition but a returned old symbol of our school.

Originally hung in 1922, a similar 'S' used to be placed in the same spot and also lit up at night.

Then, one night in 1969,

the 'S' mysteriously disappeared from the tower and no one seemed to know where it went or who had taken it.

Over the past winter break, the 36-year-old mystery was finally solved.

John Calvin, a 1970 UW-Stout graduate and current sound engineer at NBC for shows such as "Law and Order" and the movie "40 Year Old Virgin," confessed that he and two other unnamed art students removed the 'S' from the tower and tossed

it from the Hudson Road Bridge into the Red Cedar River as the sun came up that morning.

"We thought of ourselves as Guerilla Artists on a mission to beautify the campus," Calvin wrote.

If anyone would care to read Calvin's full written confession, they can contact Sue Pittman at 232-1151 or e-mail her at pittmans@uwstout.edu. Calvin may be reached at NBC Universal at (818) 777-6481 or at john.calvin@nbcuni.com.

Original ROTC decision is out

By Lindsey Schuldt
News Editor
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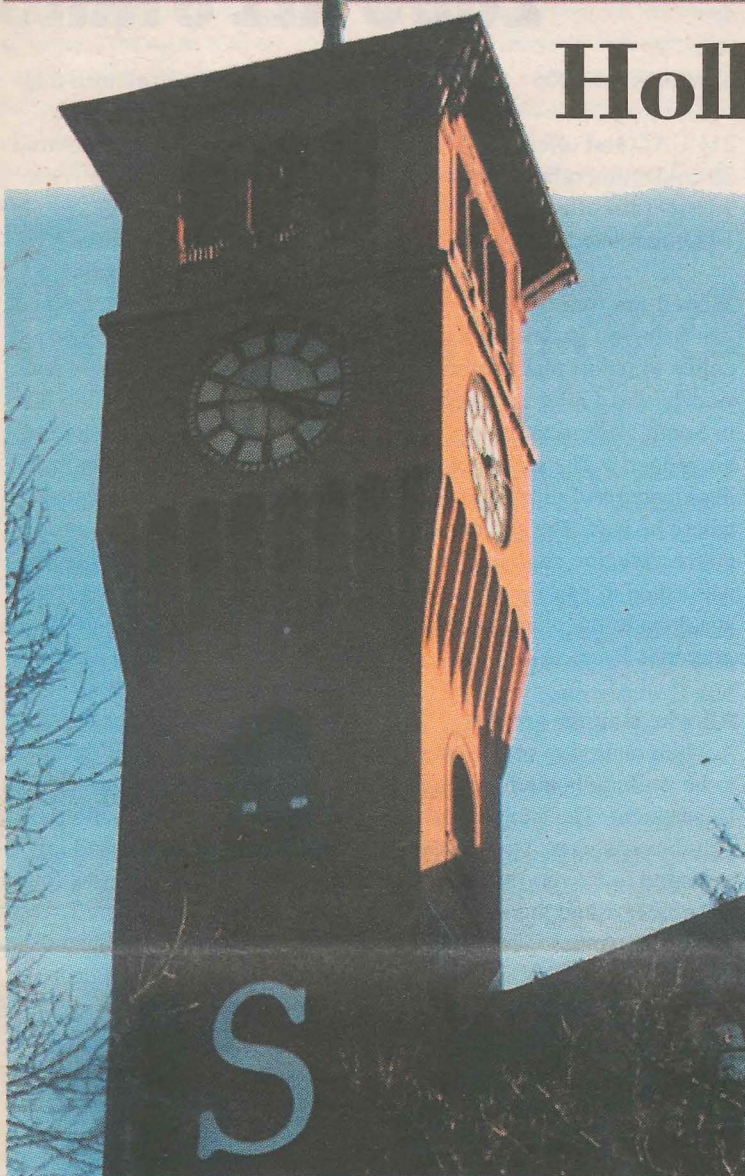
In the little town of Menomonie, students and residents rarely expect to make national news. After much debate among the faculty and student senates, Chancellor Sorensen declined the offer to let the Army Reserve Officers' Training Corps (ROTC) on campus last May.

"I have decided not to move forward with the invitation," said Sorensen. "I do not think, in good conscience,

"At a time when we are promoting diversity and tolerance, ROTC would send quite a different message, stating in effect that we say one thing but practice another."

This decision came from the "Don't Ask, Don't Tell, Don't Pursue" policy held by the ROTC. This policy disallows anyone not of the heterosexual orientation to participate in their programs.

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Tiffany Laschinger/Stoutonia

Contraceptive debates

Legislature tries to ban birth control

By Lindsey Schuldt
News Editor
Compiled from 2005 articles

Wisconsin has been talking about banning birth control from public schools for quite some time, but in 2005, the legislation became more of a reality than an idea.

Near the end of March, state Rep. Daniel LeMahieu of Oostburg began promoting and circulating a bill that is designed to ban access to birth control at University of Wisconsin health care facilities.

The bill, proposed Wis. Statute 36.11(49), would prohibit the University of Wisconsin System, or any person on UW property from advertising the availability of, prescribing or dispensing emergency contraception (EC's).

LeMahieu proposed the bill because he believes that contraception leads to promiscuity, and this bill would reduce such behavior on college campuses. The proposed legislation was presented to Peggy Lautenshalager, attorney general for Wisconsin. In

an opinion released on April 5, 2005, she stated that the proposed legislation would "violate several provisions on the United States and Wisconsin constitutions."

Planned Parenthood Advocates of Wisconsin released a statement on March 24, 2005, calling LeMahieu's proposal "misguided and misleading." According to statement, LeMahieu originally proposed to

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What a gem of an automobile



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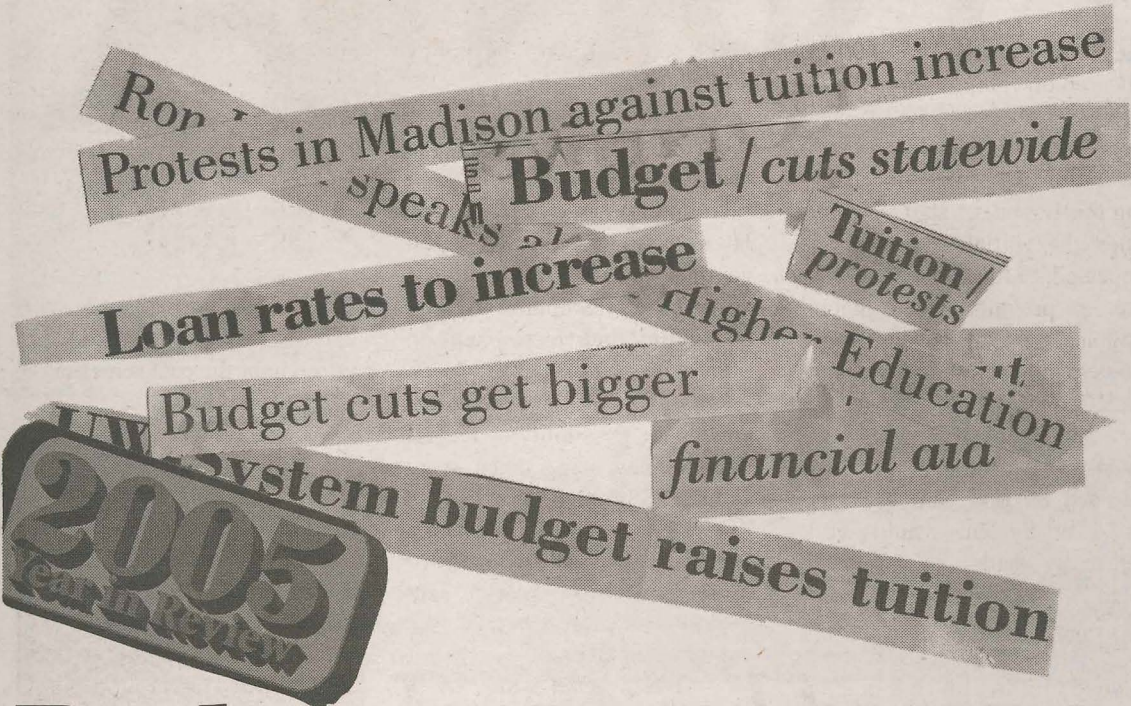
The Lions Club and many others are awaiting the drop of this vehicle into the icy waters. The club puts on this event every year to see if anyone can guess the correct date the vehicle falls through.

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Monday 1-30 31° / 25° Snow
Tuesday 1-31 34° / 25° Partly Cloudy
Wednesday 2-1 34° / 22° Snow Showers
Thursday 2-2 31° / 21° Partly Cloudy



Budget cuts continue

By Lindsey Schuldt

News Editor

Compiled from 2005 articles

It seems that a topic of concern for many this past year has been the University of Wisconsin System's budget crisis. Less money for federal aid, more money for tuition, bigger classes with less teachers and teachers with fewer qualifications. Everyone has seen the headlines or heard about the crisis.

Some of the budget highlights include that the UW system is hoping to regain \$140 million lost in the last biennium.

Doyle's initiatives included administrative staff reductions by 200 positions, \$3 million for Alzheimer's research and recommendations of \$5 million in salary raises for faculty.

The cuts we received two years ago were even deeper when tuition was increased by 37.5 percent.

With those cuts the UW System also lost 650 faculty and administration positions, according to the UW System fact sheet.

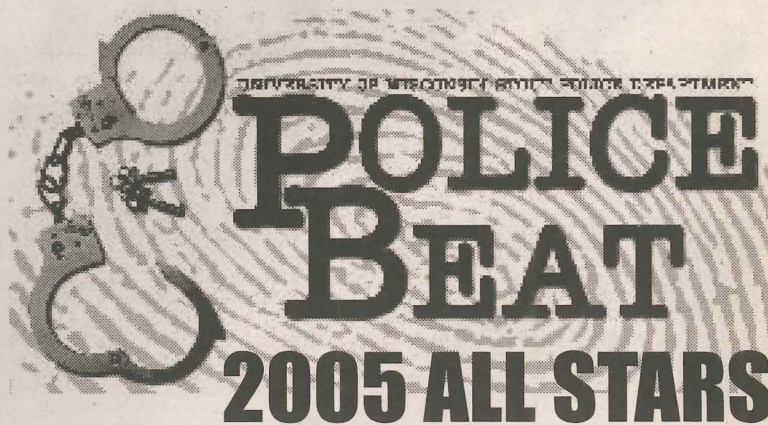
"They think they can do things because the students don't care enough to voice their opinions," said Sean Peters, then

legislative affairs director for the Stout Student Association. "That is why we faced such huge cuts in the last biennium."

Students, upon hearing of the budget cuts, went to Madison to show the state's government their dedication to reducing education costs and stopping the cuts. The United Council of UW Students led the protest.

Other students were also feeling the burn of the cuts.

"Keeping financial ability is the best way to assure a bright future," said state Rep. Mark Pocan. "A cut in higher education is a cut to job creation and the economy."



Citations for 2005

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20 UAD (2nd offense)
9 UAD (3rd offense)
14 Drug related charges

Missed the toilet

On Sept. 4 a student called the police to report that another student was found in his dorm in South Hall urinating on his property. The subject was intoxicated and did not know where he was. The subject did not receive any citations, but was asked to pay for the damage done to the other student's property.

All who wander are lost

A white male was observed to be walking behind the Fire Department. The subject had on only boxer shorts. The subject appeared to be very intoxicated. An officer asked the subject where his clothes were and he replied he didn't know. The subject was advised to move along, which he did.

White wash for Southerners

On Thursday, Dec. 1, a loud disturbance was reported outside near the AF resident hall. A group of students were wrestling in the snow. A female

from the group explained that some of the members were from Florida and thus required a proper introduction to snow.

"More than just friends"

Male student called police regarding erratic behavior of a female guest. The two were separated. The male and female have a relationship that is not boyfriend-girlfriend but is something "more than just friends," with another female. When the male walked away, the female attempted to tackle him but ended up falling to the ground.

Don't drink and drive

MPD responded to the report of a crash on HWY 29 W bridge. Upon arrival they discovered a truck had slammed into the bridge and the driver had left the scene. The driver was found later, face down in a yard. The suspect was intoxicated, injured, had a revoked license and was on probation.

Disappearing flasher

An officer reported to the Johnson Fieldhouse to investigate suspicious activity. An employee informed the officer that a male in his 40s told him of an older man in the locker room "showing off his stuff." According to the complainant, the older man was exposing himself to little kids in the locker room. At this time, a supervisor made a check of the locker room, but neither an older man nor kids were found. The reporting officers also made a check of the entire building, but the complainant, older man and kids were not found.

Run Forrest, run

On Aug 14 at 12:34 a.m. two officers were on foot pursuit of a subject on the run. The subject was escorted to the ground near Antrim-Froggatt Hall. The subject resisted arrest by placing his arms under his body. When asked by the officer to stop resisting arrest, the subject refused. The subject was sprayed with pepper spray in the facial area and brought to the Dunn County Jail.

Desperate times

There were six rolls of toilet paper stolen from the women's rest room on the upper level of Bowman Hall. There are no suspects for the theft. We apparently live in desperate times.

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ROTC / on campus and here to stay

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"The 'Don't Ask, Don't Tell' policy basically says if you are openly gay in the ROTC, you will get kicked out," said Adam Duffenbach, a senior in service management and the president of the Stout Student Association (SSA).

Sorensen had originally made his decision because of his advice from the Chancellor's Advisory Council as well as votes from the SSA, the faculty senate and the academic staff senate.

"The academic staff senators, in consultation with their constituents, had come to the agreement

that the policy of 'Don't Ask, Don't Tell' does not support the University of Wisconsin-Stout's principle of understanding and accepting differences, particularly with regard to the [homosexual] community," said Viola Jones, then chair of academic staff senate.

Unbeknownst to all who were debating the issue of the ROTC, the action of banning them from campus was actually illegal from a federal standpoint as well as against rules set by the Board of Regents.

So during the summer break of 2005, it was announced that

the ROTC would, in fact, be allowed on campus.

"I want to make it clear that we did not yield to external political pressure in changing this position," said Sorensen after the initial decision was appealed. "I misunderstood both the interpretation of the federal law and the fact that the Board of Regents had made a decision on ROTC in 1989."

The Board of Regents policy states that the ROTC will be allowed on UW campuses and the UW System would work internally with the Army to change the "Don't Ask, Don't

Tell" policy. Today, the policy still stands as it was.

There is also a federal law, the Solomon Act of 1994, that states it is illegal to prohibit recruitment for the government. By not allowing the ROTC on campus, UW-Stout would be violating the Solomon Act by prohibiting their recruitment on our campus.

Violation of this federal law creates the possibility of federal grant money being taken away from UW-Stout.

"Chancellor Sorensen's intention and commitment to diversity are exemplary," said

Wisconsin Sen. Sheila Harsdorf. "Stout can continue to uphold its diverse and tolerant environment while not excluding the military from campus."

This year the ROTC has recruited around a dozen students who have been to training in Fort McCoy and participated in classes to further their studies throughout the past semester.

Pills / legis. to be determined by April

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prohibit all contraception. After media reports made this public in late March, he released a statement clarifying that his proposal would only be for ECs.

"The proposed legislation would violate female students' constitutional right to privacy," said Lautenschlager. "Under the Supreme Court's constitutional privacy jurisprudence, 'the fundamental right of privacy protects citizens against governmental intrusion in such intimate family matters as pro-

creation, childbearing, marriage and contraceptive choice.'"

Lautenschlager's statement would not hinder LeMahieu's push for the bill, however the debates continued in the state house of representatives.

"Representative LeMahieu's bill deals simply and solely with one form of contraceptive, and that is the morning after pill," said Jeffery Grothman, legislative assistant to LeMahieu.

According to Grothman, statements issued against the bill are only for political reasons.

Summarized by Planned Parenthood Advocates of Wisconsin, the bill would violate female students' constitutional right to privacy, will violate the equal protection clause of the Fourteenth Amendment, will violate free speech through prohibiting advertisement and is too vague.

All of this sprung from a Madison advertisement that came right before spring break that read, "To help you plan ahead University Health Services can provide a pre-

scription for EC over the phone without an appointment."

"Whether it's the pill, condoms or ECs, it's all birth control," said Connor O'Brien, a senior in business. "The only difference is some people take it before they have sex and other people take it after they have sex."

Congress has until April 2006 to make their final decision about the bill.

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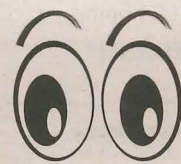
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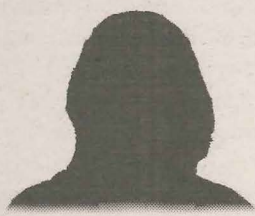
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Laptops: learning tools or barriers?



Staff Editorial The Stoutonia Staff

On the first day of class most syllabi seemed to include some sort of statement on laptop usage. Ever since the e-Scholar Program became required campus-wide in Fall 2002, the school has been split on how to handle students who use their laptops for purposes not involved with learning while in the classroom.

One teacher has a rule where if a student is caught using their computer for

non-academic purposes, the whole class will have their laptop privileges revoked.

Another teacher makes all the students who want to use laptops sit in the back so they don't distract the people sitting behind them.

A third teacher threatens to take 10 percent off of the final grade of students who use their laptops inappropriately. Five percent will also be taken off of the final grades of the people next to the offending student.

Some teachers even forbid the use of laptops in class for any purpose whatsoever.

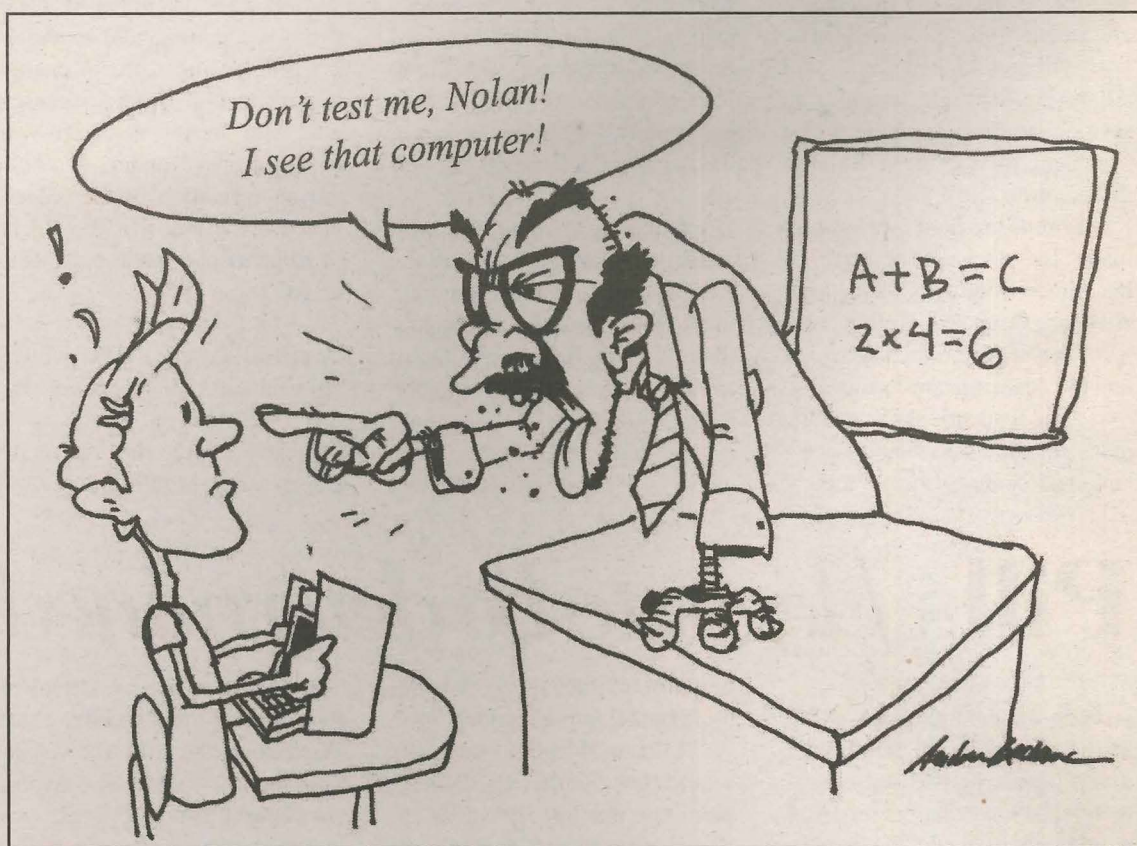
The question that seems to be on many students' minds is why are we paying for these laptops if we can't always use them in class?

At "The School of Choice for the 21st Century" should laptops be fully integrated into classroom activities, or should students be required to shut their laptops and open their notebooks during class?

Stoutonia staffers were as torn as teachers on the topic. Some argued in favor of technology stating that as adults, it is our personal choice if we don't want to pay attention in class.

More educational reasons like faster notetaking and the fact that some people can't read their own handwriting were also cited.

Other people boldly



argued against the usage of computers in class, arguing that when students are using laptops for purposes not related to the class, it is distracting and a hindrance to their education. To those students it is all about respect for others, which seems to be the opinion of most teachers.

This is understandable when you think back to speech class when you tried to speak to a class of seemingly comatose peers. Imagine trying to teach to a class of students who are more concerned with solitaire and last night's hook-up than the subject they are paying for.

On the legal side, when you sign the contract to check out a laptop, you agree to all parts of the contract. Part four states "I agree to adhere to the University's regulations and policies governing the use of the computer ..."

Chapter 17 of Wisconsin's Administrative Code forbids the use of computers in a manner that is offensive and/or distracting to others present in class. This includes, but is not limited to, sending messages to other students and accessing pornographic Web sites.

As long as we pay for

our laptops per semester and not per credit, teachers have the choice of limiting or banning laptops.

Most *Stoutonians* agree that teachers should come to a united front when it comes to laptop usage in classrooms, whether that means 10 percent off the final grade, punishing the class for the indiscretion of few, or choosing to allow or prohibit laptops, period.

The idea of making laptop users sit in the back is an interesting idea, although it ventures into areas of technological discrimination and segregation.

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Economy's past reveals bright future



Shawn Peter Columnist

There is good reason to have optimism for 2006. Even though there were some bad, and in some cases, life altering events that happened during last year, there are plenty of reasons to see 2005 as a good year when it comes to the economy in the United States.

The price of petroleum may be the first thing that comes to mind. It's hard to turn a blind eye when the mullahs in Iran threaten to wipe Israel off the map and the pirates in Nigeria threaten oil exports or some of Venezuela's multiple issues affect supply. Those events create tension. Hurricane Katrina devastated oil production in the United States, shutting down oil rigs and refineries in Louisiana; that can't be ignored either.

In both instances the price of worldwide crude has risen. Like in the case of Hurricane Katrina, given time, the price of oil will subside once the tension eases.

Despite the kinks in supply resulting in energy price increases, the economy in 2005 was very robust and grew at a fast pace, boasting GDP growth at 3.5 percent to 4 percent most of the year according to the U.S. Commerce Department.

We still have relatively low inflation rates, and productivity rates increased rapidly, sometimes at a record setting pace. U.S. exports increased about 1.8 percent while our imports are decreasing at 1 percent, narrowing the trade deficit. Consumers are becoming more confident in the economy. Home sales have set record rates especially in October and November. Retail sales are up from a year ago, boasting a 6.3

percent increase the past year.

Many have received or will receive in the next couple of days their W-2 forms so taxes can be filed. According to the national averages, incomes are up and as a result so are tax collections. It's hard to believe, but budget surplus for the government is coming back. Most of the states may see some sort of surplus after 2006, which are good signs. Only a few years ago

California had very large budget deficits; now they may have as much

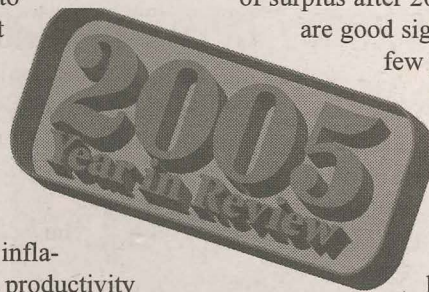
as a 5 billion dollar surplus. It is a known fact that the auto industry is not doing well. Both General Motors and Ford will be closing plants and laying off thousands. Most of their troubles have been long in the making, and it will be better for them to restructure so they produce more attractive products that will meet demand.

Despite the downturns for

some companies, others have done very well and hired more employees, some two million just in 2005 according to the Bureau of Labor Statistics Web site. The national unemployment rate is 4.9 percent and in Wisconsin it's lower at 4.7 percent. Compared to the largest economies in Europe, the United States is doing very well. Germany is Europe's largest economy they have an 11 percent unemployment rate.

It is easy to become wrapped up in today's news and think certain things are turning sour. The stock market goes up one day and down the next. It is important to remember that the economy has a much bigger mind than one day at a time. Twenty years ago inflation, bank rates and unemployment were in the double digits. Right now we are far from that.

Like in the past, there will be more disasters, war and disease; however, knowing the key indicators, that shouldn't stop the optimism for 2006.





Letters to the Editor

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Christianity misrepresented

In the article by Michael Graney, where he rants about Christian morality, his arguments are uninformed and illogical. He states that we must accept that morality is merely a relative concept to each individual, as if moral relativism was a proven and universally accepted philosophy.

Actually there are very few philosophers that believe in this sort of relativism.

And if you truly believe that everyone should decide for themselves what is right and wrong, how can you have the audacity to say that what the "Christians" that you used as examples did was wrong?

What you really believe

is that people should be able to believe whatever they want as long as they believe what you believe. Maybe what you meant to say was that you think that the crusades, witch-hunts, and hate crimes were bad, actually bad. A majority of Christians today would agree with you on that, so please don't go insulting us by insinuating that Christianity represents those things.

There is a lot of wrong in this world both now and through-out history, and some of it may have been by people who claimed to be Christians, but do not use the sins of the few to condemn the rest.

You are right when you say that Jesus was "a guy who liked the downtrodden and wanted

to help out the people shunned by society"; that is what Christianity is about. I am sorry if it has been misrepresented by some people claiming to be Christians.

Matthew Banker

"Cloud 9" was divine

On Friday night I joined my daughter to see "Cloud 9." This is the first play I have attended on campus in my twelve years of working for UW-Stout.

I was surprised at the excellent job the students did in portraying the characters, and I was also pleasantly surprised that UW-Stout has such a nice theatre. Attendance was low, and I consider that a shame.

Proceeds from the plays are probably the only source of revenue or funding this theatre has. Please, do yourself a favor and try to attend the plays that a few people spend so much time and effort to present for our entertainment.

Sharon Droge
Development Office

Growing old



Diana Minea
Editor in Chief

As time moves on and we get older, are we really just moving towards being old?

Lately I have been communicating with four of my friends who all graduated at some point in 2005. Each of them cited an experience they had recently where they missed college life and UW-Stout.

One forgot she no longer has the drinking tolerance of a college student and spent a long night puking and a long day in bed. Another just misses the people and the long breaks.

A few of them ended their stories by commenting on how old they feel now that they are in the real world. As I look at freshmen walking out of CKTO I have to say I am starting to feel a little of what they are talking about.

I am a senior here with two semesters left, I am getting married in the summer and I can feel my metabolism slowly wilting away. I feel old when I look at the youngest people here at college and remember what life felt like back then.

As I see the freshmen "packs" dividing into individu-

als and see their first semester insecurities dissipating, I start to realize I have come really far. Instead of feeling old I end up feeling mature and ripened.

I think when I get out of school I might have the same experiences as my graduated friends and look towards the past, but I will try to turn around as soon as possible to look towards my future instead.

I am excited to live a life where I am not divided between two homes, five classes and my job here. I want to feel something more than temporary.

I want a place where I can keep ALL of my possessions, I want to always be near my currently long-distance fiancé, I want to have my job be my only focus outside my family and social life and I want suitcases and duffel bags to be reserved for vacations, not for my twice monthly trips to my hometown.

Instead of feeling old, I always want to focus on what I have accomplished and how much better off I am than I was.

It is okay to be nostalgic, but if you always look backwards it is hard to move forward. None of my friends are doing this, but as they are being jealous of my freedom, I am being jealous of their more settled lives.

To answer the question I first asked, I don't think we're just getting old, I just think we're finding a feeling of stability we're not used to.

What is normal?



Lindsey Shuldt
News Editor

Normal.

I have a very close friend who was in a near fatal car accident last October. After months of grueling therapy, he asked when his life will be 'normal' again.

I couldn't answer him.

What does it mean to be normal?

Is it going to classes, then to work, then home or out to have fun with your friends?

Is normal paying for school yourself, or having it all paid for you?

Over winter break I received some scars on my face from an accident. A little girl came up to me at my work and pointed the scars out to me, asking me why my face wasn't 'normal'.

I couldn't answer her.

How do you look normal?

Do you wear clothes from name-brand stores that fit tight and resemble that of starlits, or do you wear clothes from thrift store that feel comfortable?

Is normal having a

Mohawk only if you're a punk, and a mullet only if you live in a trailer court? Beats me.

Once normal was something that came in a package. Boy meets girl, girl marries boy, couple has two children (one boy, one girl), wife bakes a lot and husband pays for everything.

If anything, I think normal has become just the opposite. The only thing you can't package.

Normal is just an illusion of reality. If everything is constantly changing, then nothing is constantly normal.

Normal is not being 5'8", 120 pounds, blonde hair, blue eyes and lots of money. Unless you're Hitler, in which case, good luck.

But you're probably not Hitler. And you're probably not normal, no offense.

The scars on my face just make me more recognizable, not more of a freak. My friend in the accident, he's courageous and inspiring, not weird.

The words goon, dork, loser, stupid, retard and gay, among others, are what make us, well, us.

So will life, and the people in it, ever be normal?

This one I do have the answer for.

No, You'll never be normal and thank God, neither will I.

Oil demand increases; quantity doesn't

2005 began a wake up call that new energy sources need to be sought



Michael Graney
Columnist

2005 was a year that could have profound implications in the future. Could historians look at 2005 with dismay at a point when tragedies are still avoidable? Could they say that humanity finally woke up and decided to make the tough decisions necessary to improve the peace, stability and its quality of life of everyone while making difficult and unpopular decisions?

It is an interesting question that has come up with one very central theme to the answer: oil consumption. Oil has become the energy panacea of days past. It heats homes, powers light bulbs and automobiles, and is used in making raw materials for clothing or action figures. Oil also has direct implications over things such as foreign policy, cost of goods, even where one spends a vacation. For a long time the United States of America has been at the forefront of consumption, ensuring that oil producing states would try to appease us.

We were the consumers always craving more with an unquenchable, and for a time, unmatched appetite for the substance. 2005 illustrated that other countries are just as hun-

gry for petroleum and possibly will consume more than us. China is the most notable as the largest growing car market in the world.

According to the *New York Times*, Iran, buoyed by energy commitments of more than \$100 billion to China, has decided to reconstitute its nuclear programs. No matter how they are, the matter is nothing the UN or NATO or any other international organization will have any sway in. Iran is sitting upon the substance the world is addicted to and can act like the local drug dealer selling it. The United

States

is beginning to realize that it no longer controls the consumption gain for oil.

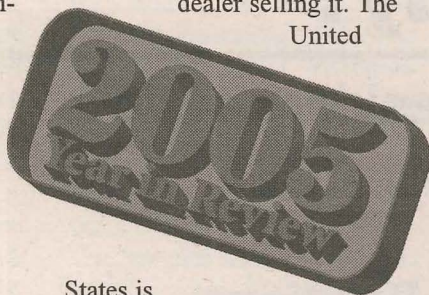
Japanese companies realized that rising gas prices would drive people to seek more fuel efficient cars, like it did during the oil embargo of the 70s. Consequently, both Toyota and Honda have offered a few different choices for hybrid vehicles. Out of America's big three, only one truly offers a hybrid (in that it improves gas mileage), and only one seems to realize that consumers are moving toward fuel efficient vehicles, and that is Ford. At the 2005 North American International Auto Show, they had a concept pow-

ered by a turbo diesel hybrid. This past show, they have shown another turbo diesel hybrid in the Reflex.

The fascinating item about the turbo diesel hybrids is that the fuel doesn't have to be a petroleum byproduct: we could use biodiesel. This could not only lessen our need for foreign oil, but provide an economic boom to our farmers who cultivate the raw materials.

What about our massive needs for electricity? There have been cleaner alternatives around for quite some time but have tended to be economically unfeasible due to installation costs. Back in high school I researched a plan to utilize solar panels to power buildings. Advantages to it were getting paid by the power company for unused power, a cleaner environment, reduced oil dependency and a growth in energy independence. The biggest problem seemed to grow from the battery technology to store and monitor the energy dispersal. That same barrier existed against the hybrids, so I'm sure it can be overcome with a little ingenuity and engineering (which used to be American traits).

The fact of the matter is our current energy policy is unsustainable. Unfortunately the status quo seems reticent to try and change the policies which could re-assert America in the lead on global energy creation. 2005 has shown us we need to change our energy policy to avoid wars and regain economic and political leverage with the world.





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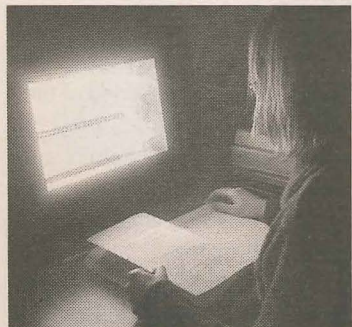
Battling with seasonal depression

By Jennifer Gauthier
Campus Writer

College is a big transitional period for many, and is often accompanied by new and greater stressors including relationships, grades, financial worries, lack of social success and problems with alcohol and drugs.

People who have problems with depression have a harder time dealing with stress and change.

"Seasonal depression hap-



Renee Currington/Stoutonia
Extra lighting indoors during winter helps reduce depression.

pens in the dorms a lot," said Jacalyn Schultz, a food systems and technology junior.

"Keeping your blinds up, the door open, extra lamps and bright colors in the room can all help," said Schultz.

We know now that there's a difference between getting sad sometimes and being depressed, and that depression can happen to anyone.

Depressives often have erratic sleep schedules, neglect their physical appearance, have drug and alcohol abuse problems, have trouble at school or work and withdraw from family and friends.

They don't see the world like healthy people: obstacles seem insurmountable, failures stick in their minds, and problems might seem like the end of the world. They can't see the good in their lives, only that things aren't right and the future looks hopeless.

Every year, many people suffer from depression and suicidal thoughts, as was noted in an

article in fall 2005. Depression is a serious mental problem that can be fatal, and although many people have hope for recovery, many go undiagnosed and untreated. Only 15 percent of suicide victims were in treatment at the time of their deaths.

While it isn't always possible to change the stressful nature of our lives, between juggling school, jobs, social life and extra-curricular activities, there are ways to stop the pressures keeping you in bed all day weeping:

Get support from family and friends. Talk about what's bothering you with people you trust and let them help you work out problems, sometimes getting another point of view can really help.

Take time to exercise. It will give you energy, promote self-esteem, and it can increase chemicals in the brain that lower depression.

Stay away from addictive substances. People who suffer from depression are more likely

to develop addictions and use substances to escape their lives, rather than for occasional fun or relaxation. If you're using more than is comfortable for you, try to find other ways to relax or "get away."

Get enough sleep and relax. Anxiety and depression are closely linked. Practicing deep breathing, meditation and even just taking 10 minutes a day to sit and calm down can help. Sleeping eight hours a day can help fight depression.

Prioritize work so it seems manageable. Write a to do list. If it helps, break up a task or problem into smaller parts so it's less overwhelming. Do what you need to do so you can be productive.

And if nothing else is working, seeing a therapist or a doctor for medication isn't anything to be ashamed about.

Common myths about depression:

1. It will go away on its own. If you've been struggling with depression, it is very unlikely

that it will disappear on its own.

2. Depression only affects certain kinds of people. Depression can happen to anyone.

3. Talking about depression doesn't help. Actually, talking is one of the most effective forms of therapy for depression, and if someone is coming to you for help, it's the first big step towards getting help.

4. People threaten suicide just to get attention. People who say they're going to kill themselves are crying for help and shouldn't be ignored. The best thing to do is get help whether they're serious or not.

People do commit suicide, and sadly, in about 80 percent of cases the suicidal person had vocalized their intentions, but the warning signs went unheeded.

What we learned about history in the year 2005

By Katie Triphan
Campus Writer

Last semester, when students came to class for the first week, I thought it would be important to provide some background information on many of the typical names students would see and hear around campus, in order to give students a proper introduction to the university and its history.

I spent two weeks detailing the contributions of the people behind the names attributed to all the academic buildings and dormitories on campus such as Harvey, Bowman, Micheels, Wigen, Chinnock, etc. to explain why these names are still remembered decades later.

After that, I devoted an article to the newspaper itself. I wanted to familiarize students with the history of *The Stoutonia* and provide some highlights, and even lowlights, in the career of our paper, which has been the voice of the University of Wisconsin-Stout for more than 90 years.

At this point, I realized I had talked about important names on campus; however, my articles did not take into account peoples' names that appeared on buildings that have since been torn down.

One of those important buildings was Ray Hall, which was named after J. Edgar Ray. Ray was a bricklayer who taught at Stout for forty-five years and was deeply admired by his students.

Interestingly enough, one of the original incentives for Ray coming to teach at Stout was an extra bricklaying job on the building that would later bear his name.

Then I decided it was about time that I introduced the founder of the University of Wisconsin-Stout. James Huff Stout was an heir to the Knapp, Stout & Co. lumber mill that was once the largest business in Menomonie. Stout

had many interests beyond the mill, putting much effort into endeavors such as improving roads, libraries and facilities for the mentally handicapped in Menomonie.

Most importantly, however, were his exploits to improve the education of the area's youth. Stout founded the Stout Manual Training School, meant to be supplemental to a high school education, which would prepare students to perform specific manual job skills, giving them advantages in the work world.

Over the years the school evolved into the university that exists today. Despite all the many philanthropic efforts in which Stout participated in his life, the university that bears his name is the only enduring result that reflects his life's work.

My next article recounted the events surrounding UW-Stout's homecoming of 1960 in which University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire students broke into the fairgrounds during homecoming weekend and attempted to prematurely light UW-Stout's annual bonfire.

The plan went awry when a container of gasoline was spilled and several UW-Eau Claire students were burned severely. Mayhem ensued when the vehicle the students came in went up in flames.

Ignoring the fire, students got back into the truck and sped away from the fairgrounds leaving injured students behind. Police were called to the scene and praised the efforts of UW-Stout students who conducted a search of the grounds to discover any other potential wounded students missing from UW-Eau Claire.

The week of Halloween, I told the story of a local family that experienced a very eerie haunting over a period of time in their home in rural Menomonie. At first, the haunting appeared to be nothing

more than a few objects that were misplaced now and again, whose disappearance was blamed on children in the family.

Over time, however, other events happened that couldn't be blamed on children playing tricks, such as objects flying across the room, or an ax finding its way out of a box covered with bags of lime suddenly dropping itself on the front porch.

Many people were witness to the haunting and had theories as to the cause; however, no one managed to solve the problem. The family, flustered and scared, soon gave up occupancy of the house.

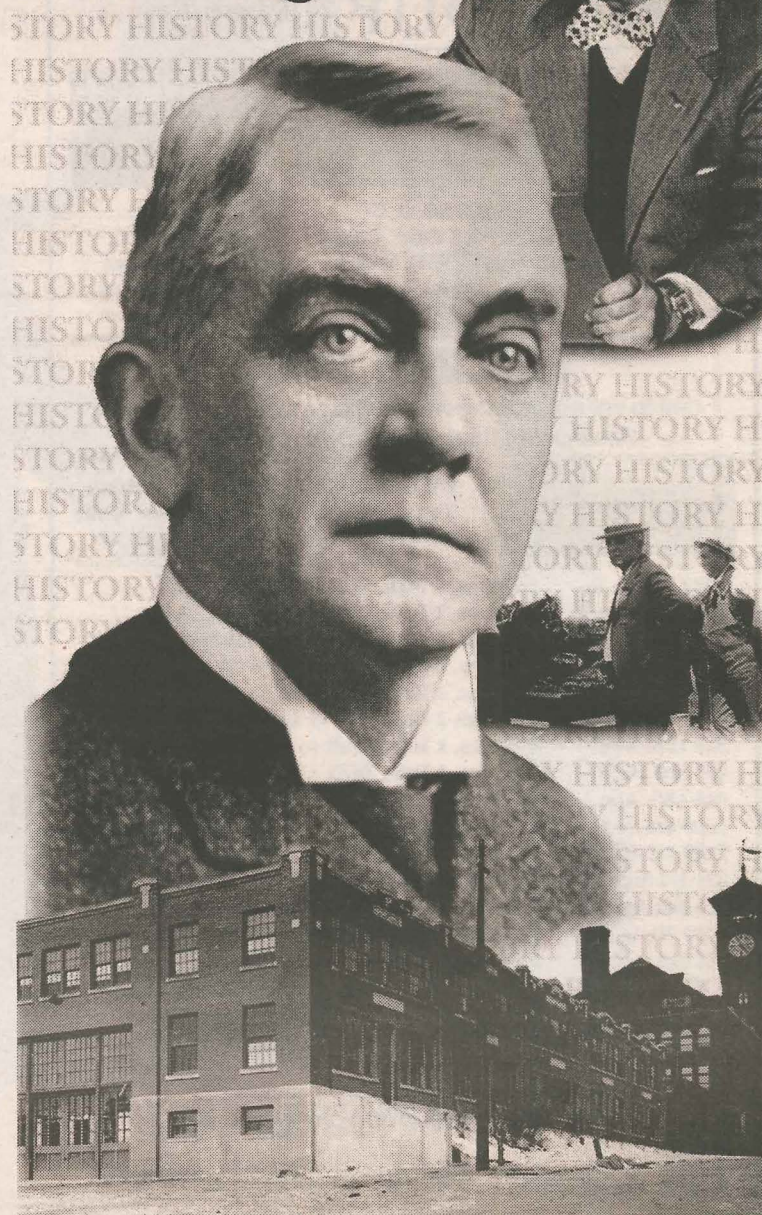
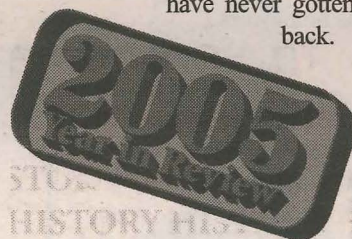
Next I wrote about the history of the Bowman tower bell. I thought this was a good time to talk about its history and significance because the monument now housing the bell had been recently dedicated during homecoming.

The bell resided in the Bowman tower just shy of one hundred years and was retired in 1997, after being out of commission for many years. It is now preserved on the lawn by the Applied Arts Building and remains an important symbol of the link between the university and the Menomonie community today.

In the first part of December, I wrote about the variety of performers that have come to UW-Stout over the years. UW-Stout has seen quite the hodgepodge of entertainers from Maria Von Trap and Billy Joel to Carrot Top. It goes to show how UW-Stout students' interests really have changed over time.

In the last issue before winter break, I wrote about a big tradition in UW-Stout's history that students and community alike once looked forward to every year known as the Winter Carnival. It had an array of events from toboggan races to an ice sculpture carving contest. It was enjoyed so much by students that it continued to grow in

size significantly over the first few years it was held. Unfortunately, over the next few decades, alcohol and a distasteful incident regarding ice sculptures students carved on campus contributed to bringing the event to a halt in the 1980s, losing a spirit on campus that we have never gotten back.



Get ahead this semester

By Tabitha Martin
Campus Writer

At the end of last semester, *The Stoutonia* covered new ways on how to finish a semester well and avoid stress through specific study habits.

Some of these techniques included reviewing notes and chapters for an hour daily, using music to set an energizing tone to a study session and making sure to get plenty of rest so as to help retain information more effectively.

"Students should study in shifts, and review the course material regularly so as to avoid the stress and strain of being overtired when taking a test or exam. This technique will be more beneficial in the long run," said Pamela Martin, a former professor at the University of Wisconsin-Whitewater.

Now that a new semester is upon us, a lot of students are setting high goals for themselves academically. As many students have discovered, that spark of enthusiasm often wears down as the semester goes on.

To retain a high level of academic success and to achieve the goals that so many students strive for, the Dean of Students office and the Academic Advisement Center has outlined some of the problem areas as well as solutions for the average student looking for help.

Though student involvement has proven to be beneficial to students by creating better connections to campus life, faculty and staff and improving a student's overall quality of life on campus,

being over-involved can also be counterproductive.

"Poor time management, excessive drinking and partying, the need to work, over involvement in extracurricular activities, and events that disrupt a student's physical or emotional well being are the most common factors that surface," said Joan Thomas, associate dean of students.

To help counteract these problem areas, Thomas highlighted specified services that the university offers to help students avoid a negative academic semester. These resources include the University Counseling Center, first year and faculty advisors, Student Health Services, and the Dean of Students office.

Students who wish to seek out the help of the Counseling Center can locate it on the fourth floor of Bowman Hall. The Tutoring Center, also located in Bowman Hall, is another option with free tutoring for all students on a variety of subjects.

Students can also help themselves by prioritizing their academics and establishing a good schedule for studying. By taking the steps and reaching out to the campus resources available, students can also help to avoid the stress of academics.

By taking time to assess and deal with the issues that are getting in the way of academic success, students can better avoid these issues in the future as well as spend more time concentrating on their other priorities, such as homework.

The Academic Advisement

Center works closely with freshmen students and does what they can to maximize student retention on campus.

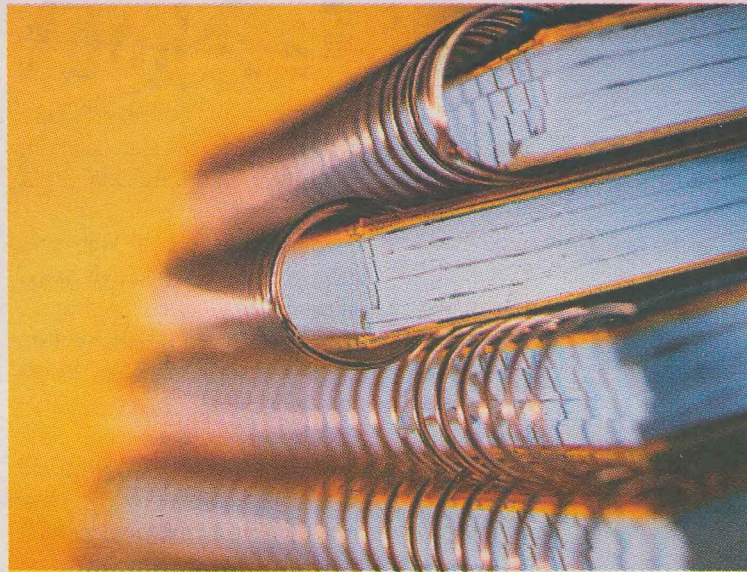
According to Kim Nimsgern, a first year advisor and new student orientation coordinator for the Advisement Center, research shows that only 60 percent of students who enter college as freshmen maintain their college careers and graduate.

Many of the students who do not succeed drop out between their freshman and sophomore years. The group of students that leave are often those who do not get involved on campus and create ties to the university and students who are homesick and don't want to be away from their families.

Oftentimes, students who are undecided or unhappy with their major tend to drift away and have trouble seeing how college fits into their future. For help and guidance, the Academic Advisement Center is available in room 11 of Bowman Hall.

Nimsgern also suggests that students watch and maintain their health; the mind functions better when the body is healthy and energized. Problems such as lack of sleep, poor diet and lack of balance are often significant to a student's ability to function well academically.

"I think that most students



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Students who do well know what resources are available to them and recognize when they need to utilize those resources.

are striving for independence," said Nimsgern.

"[Students] feel like they need to prove to themselves and others that they are strong and capable of handling things on their own," said Nimsgern. "Many students see asking for help as a last resort or sign of weakness."

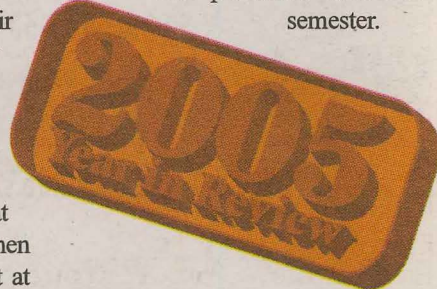
Nimsgern encourages students who struggle to change their attitudes about getting help with their schoolwork.

"Students can improve their academic success when they come to understand that interdependence is healthier," said Nimsgern. "College is hard and the students that will be successful are the ones that know their resources, know when they need help and seek it out at

the appropriate time."

By spreading out large assignments over a longer period of time or studying consistently for a big exam, students can be more successful and learn more than they would if they had crammed it all into an "all-nighter."

By using time properly between classes and utilizing the resources at hand, all students—regardless of circumstances—can have a stress free and productive academic semester.



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Impacts of Facebook

By Rachel Landwehr
Campus Writer

Since the University of Wisconsin-Stout has acquired Facebook many students have fallen into the never ending labyrinth. Some say they signed up for contacts, while others choose to post photographs and other personal information to share.

How much information do you want the stranger sitting next to you knowing about your personal life?

An article in the *Boston Globe*

titled "Is Privacy Dead?" talks about how easy it has become for people to gain information that is best kept private.

With the help of Web sites such as Facebook and Myspace, strangers can access addresses, pictures and even phone numbers of users who allow general access to their profiles.

Since the article "Facebook a Success" ran in *The Stoutonia* in fall 2005, many students have joined in on the phenomena. Yet there are a select few who refuse to connect.

"I can find parties on my own thanks," said Sarah Albers, an undecided junior.

Even though she does not have an account with Facebook, she has many friends that do and does not denounce them for it.

Other students do not have accounts, because they have no time and wish not to be bothered by the excess online time it takes to check your "wall" or confirm "friends."

Some mentioned that they did like the fact that people can post pictures to share with friends, a feature that was not included in the accounts when UW-Stout joined.

Even though there are many perks to having an account with Facebook, there are also quite a few drawbacks.

An "ABC News" report stated that some say Facebook has revolutionized their social lives. Some users may be too shy to strike up a conversation in person, but online they can be as outgoing as they desire.

Facebook has made it easy to post information to a large group of people letting them know about events hosted both publicly and privately.

With such basics, however, Facebook has eliminated the element for some human contact in the way that people can message over the Internet.

"[Facebook] is changing the way our generation communicates," said Kate Brawner, a junior in apparel design and development.

So much has changed since the site was created in February 2004, by Mark Zuckerberg.

Zuckerberg created the site so that he could get to know the people living in his dorm at Harvard.

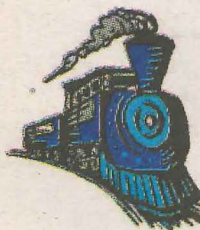
Since then the site has expanded to other universities such as UW-Stout, as well as about 22,000 high schools. Users must have an e-mail address ending in ".edu" to obtain an account.

Many see these Web sites as a chance to socialize and hear about the latest bands, while others are not as willing to give up the privacy they value so much.

Facebook claims to ban nudity, yet some students post intimate photos. There is also a problem with underage students writing about drug and alcohol usage.

Just remember it is as easy as a click of a button and the stranger sitting next to you in class can find out where you live, who your friends are and even what your favorite movie is, if you allow it.

So keep in mind to only post information that you are comfortable sharing with the entire UW-Stout campus and beyond.



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The live performances of 2005



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It just doesn't get more dynamic than this. UW-Stout was quite the entertaining place to be last semester. Some of the events *The Stoutonia* covered included talent shows, comedians, plays and musical acts of every kind.

By Natalie Rathmann,
Mike Ryan and Ami Kriho
Entertainment Writers

Editor's Note: The following are excerpts from articles concerning some of the most notable performances to hit UW-Stout.

Is it a boy or a girl? There was no way to be sure as the Great Hall played host to the 2005 Drag Show. Featured impersonations were of "American Idol" contestant William Hung, Britney Spears and Napoleon Dynamite. The drag show showcased some professional drag queens to act as judges, in addition to performing.

Did you know that an ana-

gram for "U-Wisconsin-Stout" is "I out-cuss Winston?" Thanks to the Late Night Players of Boston, Massachusetts, now you know. Along with nine other anagrams for "U-Wisconsin-Stout," the audience was treated to several knock-knock jokes and original sketches.

"It was one of the funnier shows I've seen," said Meghan Staples, a junior majoring in elementary education. "It was good to see the Players involve the crowd as much as they did. It really did a good job keeping everybody's interest."

The set itself was a tribute to cheesy jokes and double-en-

tendres. Sometimes using punch lines that sailed clear over the audience's collective head, they rattled off one-liners one right after the other.

Homecoming week's Stunt Show was a good example of why most of the UW-Stout student body doesn't celebrate homecoming.

Blue Devil Productions called it a "Stunt Show," but a more accurate title would have been, "Amateur Skit Show," with performances from people who clearly have no future in acting.

One of the featured skits was a "Jeopardy" skit performed by the boys of Kappa Lambda Beta and Phi Theta Chi that was straight

out of "Saturday Night Live," the skit featured as its three contestants a grizzled custodian, Tony Schlemm and Sean Connery, who spouted crude jokes about host Alex Trebek's mother. While the skit was not entirely original in concept, its script was great and it was without question the funniest performance of the night.

As a whole, the Stunt Show was a rather unpleasant experience. With most of the performers seeming unprepared and with the constant immature screeching of the audience, the Stunt Show was a waste of time.

On Wednesday, Nov. 9, Harvey Hall Theatre opened its fall

play, the comical social commentary, "Cloud 9." Directed by UW-Stout theatre professor James Miller, "Cloud 9" ridiculed gender stereotypes and notions of Victorian sexuality.

The play started in Africa in the 1880s with a lighthearted, comical feel. While on the surface all of society appeared prim and proper, there were twisted and tawdry love affairs being carried on behind closed doors.

Adding to the comedy, gender and race roles were reversed in the first act. Female actors played male characters and black actors play white characters. The intention was to make the audience rethink gender and race assumptions.

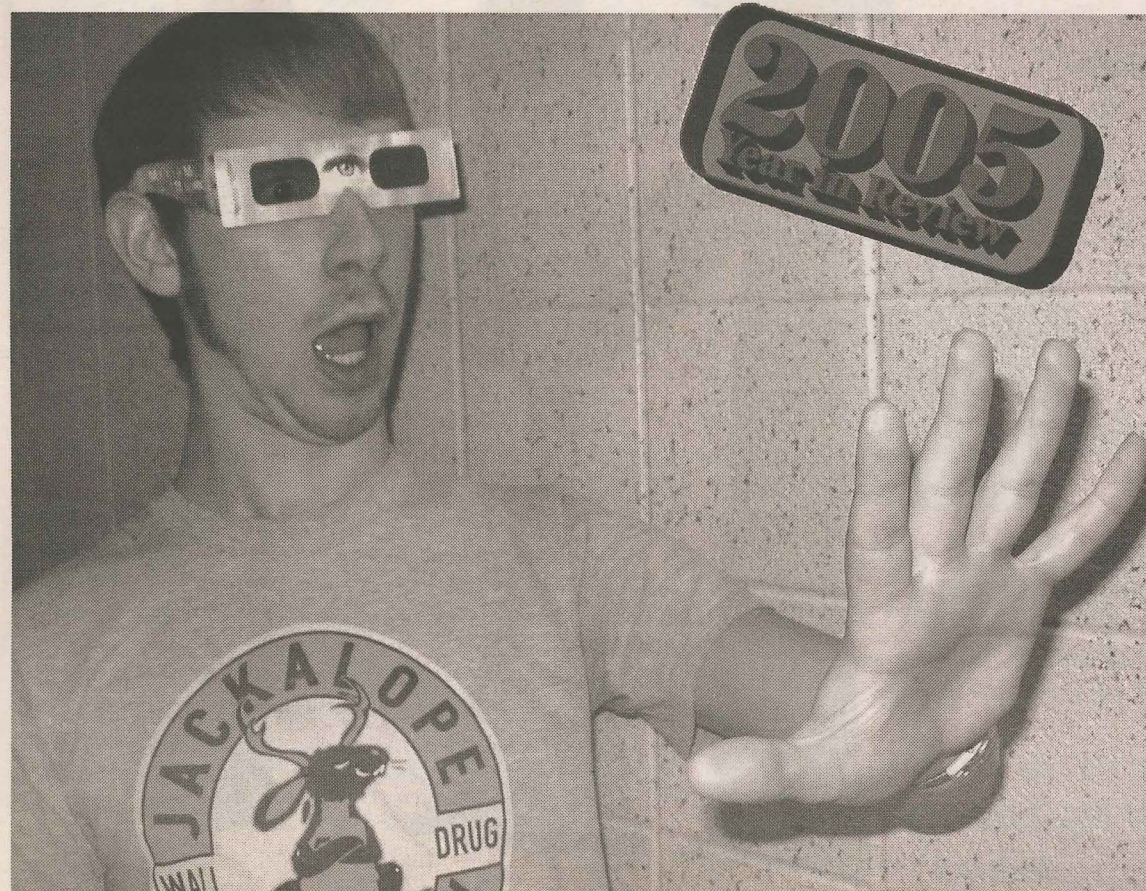
The cast and crew spent weeks preparing for opening night. Most of the costumes were designed and made by UW-Stout students enrolled in the new Theatrical Costuming class, taught by Susan King.

In the spirit of the scene in "Wayne's World" where a guitar shop clerk indicates a "No Stairway to Heaven" sign, the Acoustic Cafe should post a "No Jack Johnson" sign at future events.

Granted, entry level guitar players love using Jack Johnson to pick up chicks, and nine times out of ten I'm sure that fake baking mall girls buy it, but at "times like these" it makes you want to scream in agony.

Where have the Open Mic entertainers gone? The kids with original material? We're getting better at the Open Mic business, but more UW-Stout students still need to come and play. Let's face it, it's just cool to have college kids entertaining other college kids.

I seriously have the best job in the world



Submitted: Matt Schubbe/Stoutonia



Matt Schubbe
Entertainment Writer

Editor's Note: Over the course of last semester Matt Schubbe became our resident TV critic. The following nuggets of wit, wisdom and media savvy are excerpts from his column.

I've noticed a trend in the recent crop of reality shows: fewer are contests or competitions, and many more of them deal with the delicious messes that are washed-up celebrities. Now that I think about it, nearly all of these shows happen to be on VH1. It's almost as if VH1 took its hit show, "The Surreal Life," and spread it out over several shows as filler.

I always find myself wondering how much of the situations are staged. The writers of these shows are probably not credited for a reason. Still,

authentic or not, they do offer some mild entertainment.

One of my favorite things about TV is the concept of continuing storylines. But why is it that networks, particularly FOX, are taking concepts that would work better as TV movies or miniseries and trying to create full-fledged multiple season shows out of them?

Take "24," for instance. I know many of my friends love this show, so I won't be too harsh, but it had a four-hour season premiere over two nights. I will repeat this, because it bears repeating: a four-hour season premiere. It's "24," so no matter what happens, people will watch.

Speaking of FOX shows, I think they really made a big mistake in moving "Arrested Development" to Monday nights. Sunday is an important night for television and "Arrested Development" is probably one of the smartest and funniest network shows currently on the air.

So what did FOX put in the **TV continues on page 11**

Boldly venturing into new worlds of TV entertainment, intrepid critic/explorer Matthew Schubbe will stop at nothing in his quest for mass media perfection. He does it so you don't have to.

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vacated time slot? Something called "The War At Home," a sitcom that tries to push the envelope by being "edgy" and "off-color," but is rarely anything more than crass and unfunny.

The live presidential debate for "The West Wing" took place Sunday, Nov. 6. on NBC and was interesting to say the least. The concept of the fictional debate being performed live was a curious one, if only because it was obvious that things had to be at least somewhat scripted.

Jimmy Smits and Alan Alda did an excellent job of keeping in character while debating such hot-button issues as border control, prescription drugs, health care and education.

Since many of the issues presented mirrored current real world problems, at times I forgot I was even watching a fictional debate. Both candidates came across as

capable and well intentioned, so it will be interesting to see who is declared the winner, if ultimately pointless: NBC has decided not to renew "The West Wing" for another season.

I had the distinct ... let's call it "pleasure" of watching an episode of NBC's psychically powered crime show "Medium." But I'm not about to discuss the story arc or characters of this series. Neither is particularly worthy of note. Rather, this article is about the rising use of 3-D in television. You see, I got to view this show in glorious, gimmicky 3-D, complete with dorky glasses that I got free from the local NBC affiliate.

The question I found myself asking at the end of the episode was: "What was the point?" Thus far, 3-D TV hasn't been impressive. Let's hope underwhelming visual gimmicks like this don't become a trend.



Source: www.gamespot.com

Heather Chaplin and Aaron Ruby spent five years writing "Smart Bomb" (below). The book delves into the masterminds who made the gaming industry what it was, what it is and what it will be. Since we don't have any pictures of the authors, let us bask in the glow of this picture of Master Chief (above). Ahhhh.



Ami Kriho

Entertainment Writer

The video game industry is something that is discussed readily among its enthusiasts, but not often are the people behind it mentioned. "Smart Bomb" by freelance writers Heather Chaplin and Aaron Ruby moves aside the industry subject and delves into the masterminds who made the industry what it was yesterday, what it is today and what it will be in the future.

Chaplin and Ruby spent five years writing the book, and it isn't hard to respect that fact simply by looking at who is featured in it.

Among the famed faces in the book are Cliff Blezinski, Shigeru Miyamoto, Angel Munoz, John Carmack and John Romero, Will Wright, Michael Macedonia and Jonathon "Seamus" Blackley.

The book is more than just interviews with people. It details on what they were thinking, even what they were feeling when they were attending conferences or developing ideas and how to make them real.

"Smart Bomb" touches on subjects from various eras in video game history, from Nolan Bushnell's Atari to Seamus Blackley's Xbox. However, much of this information can

be found more detailed in other books such as Stephen Kent's "The Ultimate History of Video Games" and David Kushner's "Masters of Doom."

People who have read video game books before will find much of the information in "Smart Bomb" retold. In fact, at points it even mentions these books as suggested reading material. Still, I can't say I put the book down without learning anything new. It goes into subjects that usually aren't covered in other video game books or aren't covered as extensively.

The chapter about the development on "America's Army" in particular was a great demonstration about how video game technology has long influenced the military and vice versa but the detailed information was presented from the perspective of people who made the game, which is something more than many articles do.

Another part about "Smart Bomb" that was enjoyable was the story of several gamers and how they interact with other people, whether they're face-to-face with them or communicating through text messaging on a game.

It goes into the minds of several gamers who dedicate themselves to gaming as a professional career or to their massive multi-player online alternate lives.

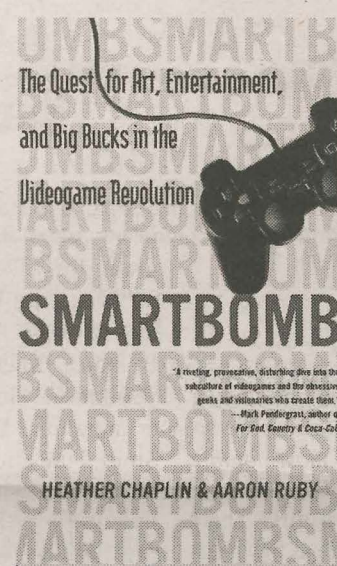
Gaming has become quite the mainstream form of entertainment in recent years, and explaining it to people who still find gaming to be obscure is difficult. Luckily, "Smart Bomb" is written in a colorful and inviting way.

The stories are told in a catchy fashion that is informative but not boring. It keeps the interest level high by telling not only about the people, but how they grew up, what influenced them into game design, and the challenges they overcame to get where they are today.

It describes their personality, what they look like, and even how they dress, creating constant visuals as their stories unfold.

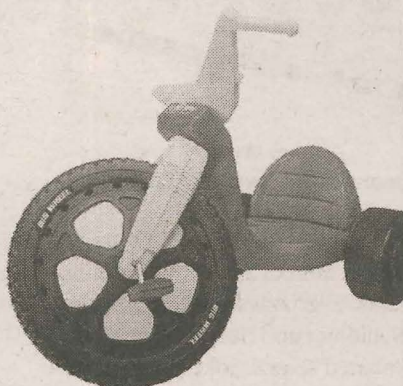
"Smart Bomb" isn't the most comprehensive video game book out on shelves, but it's a good book to start on if the subject interests you.

It's shorter than most similar video game books and just as enjoyable even if the information in it may not be hot off the press.



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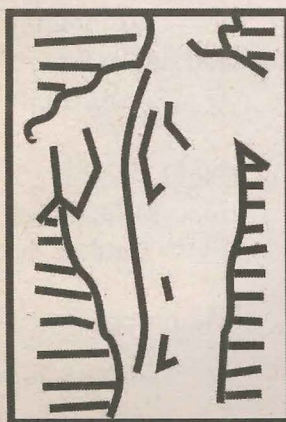
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Friday, Jan. 27

>Eau Claire Children's Theater: A Winnie-the-Pooh Christmas Tail, Mabel Tainter Theater, 7 p.m., \$9.
>Live Jazz, Shanghai Bistro, 6:30 p.m., Free.
>Minus 3, Mr. Heavy's, 10 p.m., Free.
>Brianna Lane, Higher Grounds Coffee House, 7:30 p.m., Free.
>Modern Society, Mousetrap, 9 p.m., Free.
>Boogie Junction, Stones Throw, 10 p.m., \$3.
>Swiss Miss Candlelight Ski/Walk, Red Cedar State Trail, 6-9 p.m.
>Reverend Eddie Danger, Acoustic Cafe, 8:30 p.m., Free.
>Half Life, O'Leary's Pub, 9 p.m., \$2.

Saturday, Jan. 28

>Saint Paul Chamber Orchestra Ensemble, Mabel Tainter Theater, 8 p.m., \$24.
>Attitude, Klassix, 9 p.m., Free.
>Room For Gray + Smokin' Bandits, Stones Throw, 10 p.m., \$3.
>Greg Herriges, Acoustic Cafe, 8:30 p.m., Free.
>Live Jazz, Shanghai Bistro, 6:30 p.m., Free.

Sunday, Jan. 29

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Monday, Jan. 30

>The Q-tet, Stones Throw, 9 p.m., Free.
>Open Jam, Klassix, 7:30 p.m., Free.
>Open Mic, Mousetrap, 9 p.m., Free.

Tuesday, Jan. 31

>We One + Matza 1, Stones Throw, 9:30 p.m., Free.
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Movies in 2005 a mixed bag



Jarrod Burns and
William Butcher

Entertainment Writers

2005 had many disappointments in the world of film, but there were still plenty of shining gems hidden in the dung heap.

We started off the school year reviewing "The Transporter 2" which, while being action packed, lacked the style and originality that made its predecessor stand out.

Fortunately, the next week we got to see "Lord of War," starring Nicolas Cage, which was a highly entertaining fictionalized docudrama about the illegal arms trade. Definitely recommended.

Being fans of Tim Burton's earlier movies, "Corpse Bride" was a drab disappointment to us.

The highly anticipated release of Joss Whedon's "Serenity" was exactly what science fiction fans needed, regardless of whether they were familiar with its TV source material, "Firefly."

The movie "Waiting..." was standard young adult comedy fare, which may or may not be a worthy rental this year. It wasn't really worth the theater ticket.

The next week had so many releases we had to see two movies, "Domino" and "Elizabethtown." Tony Scott delivered his awesome visual style in 2004 with "Man on Fire," and he did it again in 2005 with "Domino." While "Elizabethtown" wasn't exactly our cup of tea, it wasn't bad. There were a few good laughs thrown into this slightly pretentious chick flick.

"Doom" let down gamers and non-gamers alike with its hor-



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Some of these movies sucked and some of them didn't. Can you guess which ones are which?

rible script, direction, acting, set design and editing. Another total waste of film stock was "Saw 2," which pleased idiots everywhere who can't get enough of the sight of torture.

Our final review was of "The Chronicles of Narnia: The Lion the Witch and the Wardrobe." This children's novel adaptation was more entertaining than "Harry Potter and the Goblet of Fire" while still keeping the themes of ugly British children and fantastical magic. "Narnia" also had a battle that gives the "Lord of the Rings" battle scenes a run for their money.

There were many films released this year that didn't make it into the pages of *The Stoutonia*, and to prove we don't hate as many movies as you think we do, here is a little about some of those films.

"Four Brothers" is one of the few movies of the year that mixed a heart felt story with good-to-go action. John Singleton found a way to intertwine old school music with new school actors to create a little clichéd but highly entertaining vigilante story set in Detroit.

In "History of Violence," Viggo Mortensen stars as a res-

taurant owner who saves the day in bloody self-defense. This situation warrants the mob's attention and the story asks the question: is violence the answer? Sadly and entertainingly, the answer is yes!

Rounding out last year's movies was "Syriana" starring George Clooney as a CIA agent in the Middle East. The film tries to steal its style from "Traffic" and follows characters from all types of life that are all intertwined with the seedier side of the oil business. This movie is all about dialogue and characters and less about the effects and editing that made "Traffic" original.

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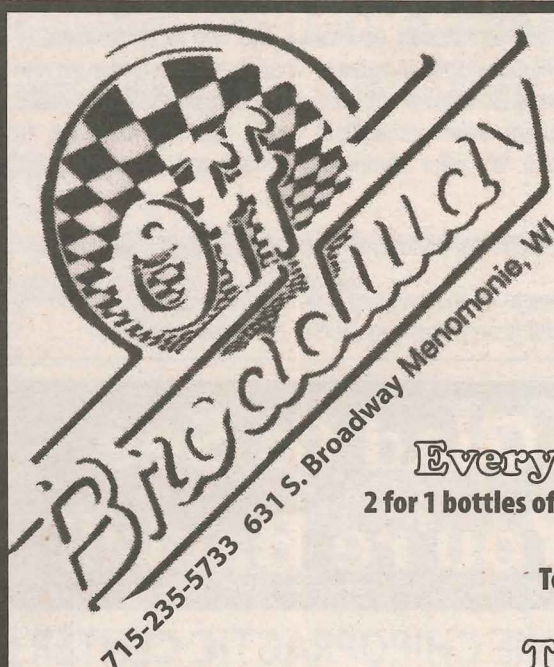
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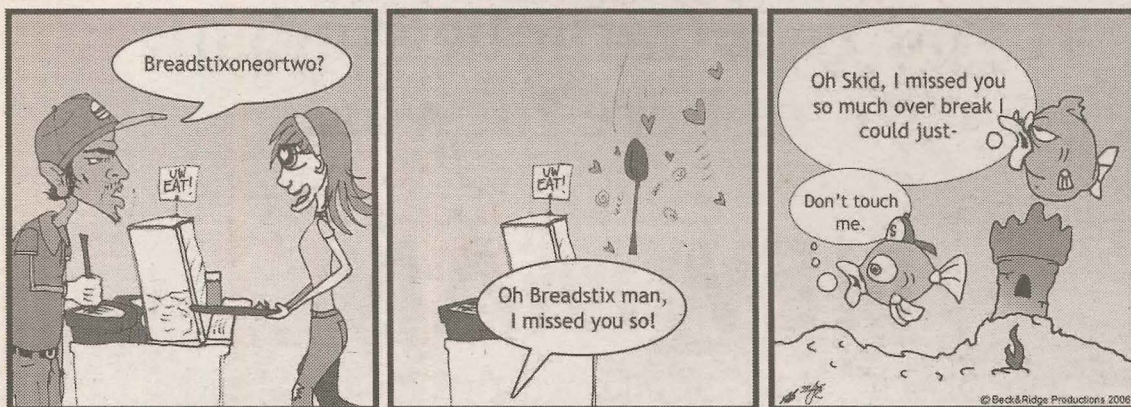
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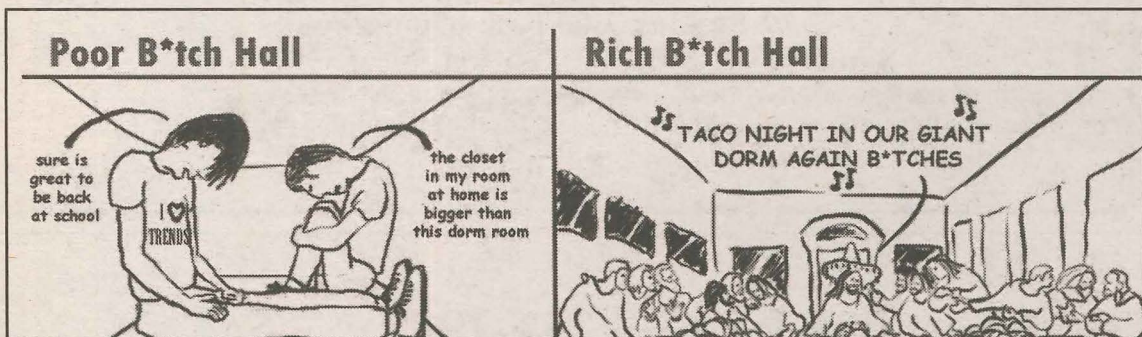
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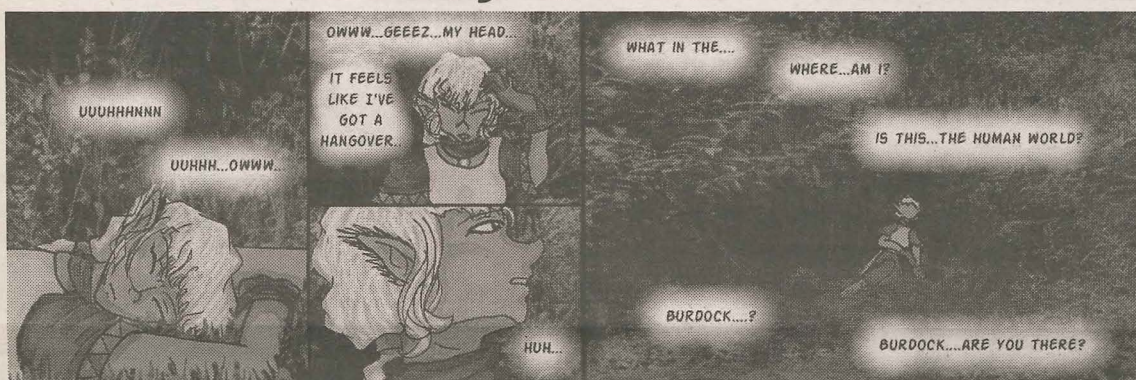
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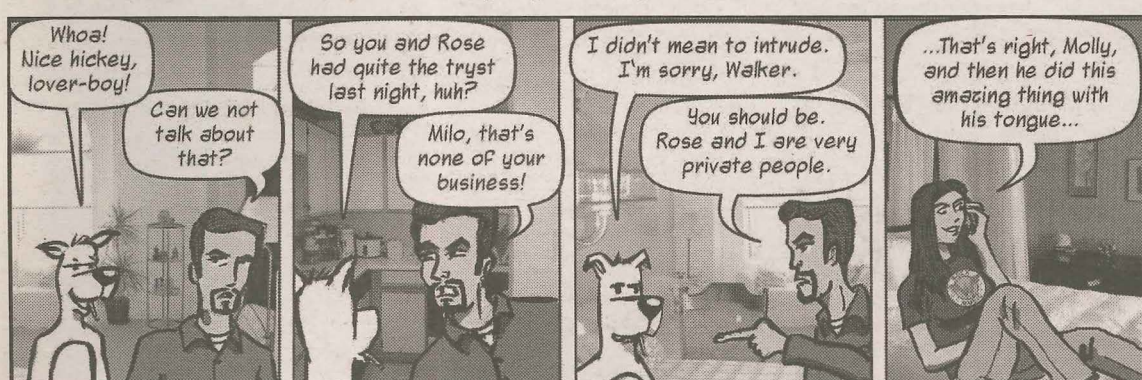
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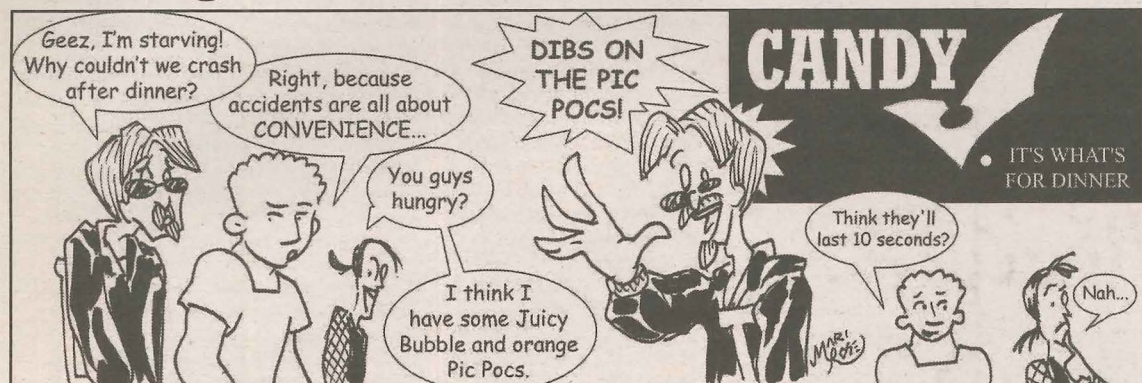
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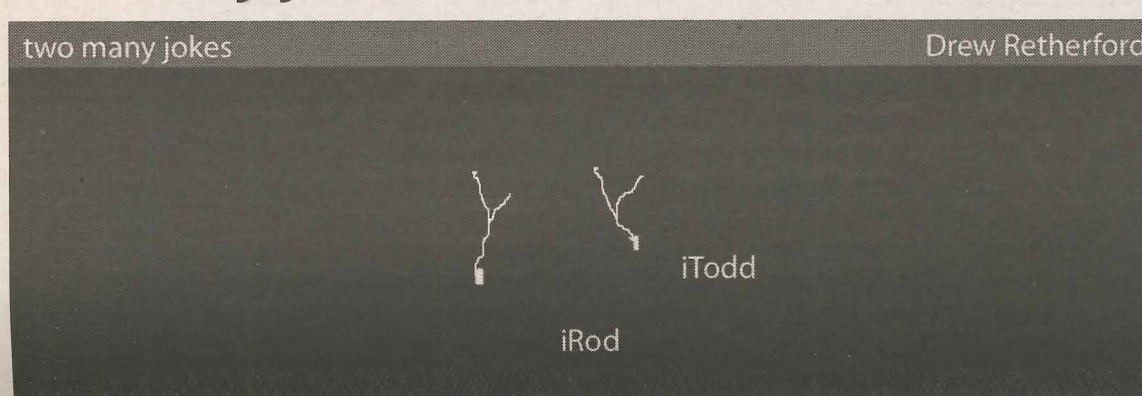
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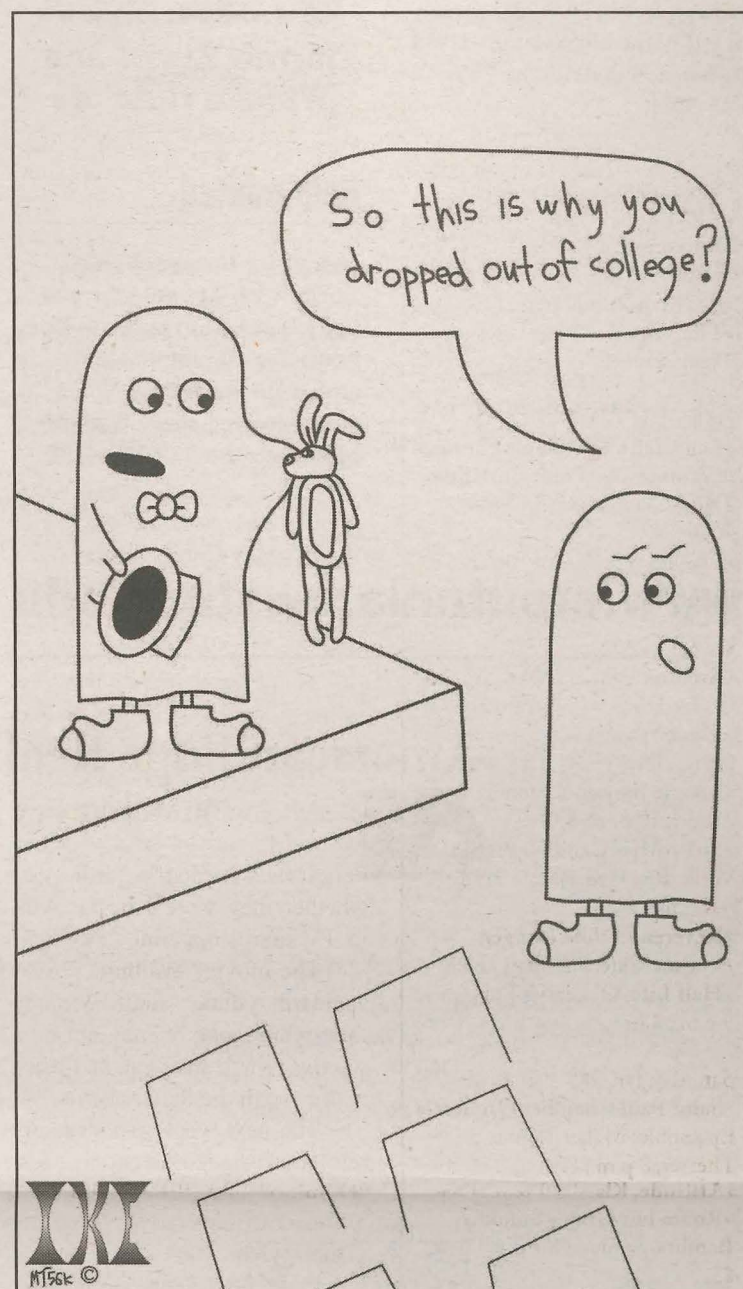
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1	1	620 9th Avenue	\$240	\$240	n/a	n/a	Efficiency apartment includes utilities	3	4	1	1120 15th Avenue	\$600	\$150	\$720	\$180	Washer/dryer excellent shape/lrg rooms	D
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1	1	1222 6th Avenue #2	\$295	\$295	n/a	n/a	Nice location, incl. WSG & hot water, studio	8	4	1	309 14th Avenue West	\$820	\$205	\$970	\$243	WD good location, gas heat	D
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1	1	803 Wilson Avenue #5	\$335	\$335	n/a	n/a	Great location, utilities included, parking	8	4	1,5	414 14th Avenue #8	\$820	\$205	\$970	\$243	Modern, high eff. Gas heat, W/D a/c	8
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1	1	803 Wilson Avenue #4	\$345	\$345	n/a	n/a	Great location, utilities included, parking	8	4	2	315 1/2 Main Street	\$900	\$225	n/a	n/a	Located downtown, close to campus	A
1	1	400 1/2 Main Street #5	\$350	\$350	n/a	n/a	WSG+HW inc. storage, close to campus	6	4	2	1301 9th Street	\$1,020	\$255	\$1,270	\$318	Beautiful house, garage, location, washer/dryer	H
1	1	803 Wilson Avenue #2	\$350	\$350	n/a	n/a	Great location, utilities included, parking	8	4	2	1021 8th Street	\$1,100	\$275	\$1,345	\$336	Beautiful house w/decks close to campus W/D	H
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2	1	1506 1/2 6th Street	\$330	\$165	\$428	\$214	Enclosed front porch, great location	D	5	2	2006 5th Street #B	\$1,100	\$220	\$1,380	\$276	Newer W/D, has everything	3
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2	1	2121 5th Street #C	\$395	\$198	n/a	n/a	Inc. WSG, washer dryer	4	6	2	415 13th Avenue West	\$1,050	\$175	\$1,330	\$222	Modern house very lrg. rooms, good location	H
2	1	2121 5th Street #D	\$395	\$198	n/a	n/a	Inc. WSG, washer/dryer	4	6	2	1603 7th Street	\$1,170	\$195	\$1,450	\$242	Washer/dryer new carpet, very nice	H
2	1	603 13th Street #3	\$395	\$198	n/a	n/a	nice location, includes heat WSG	4	6	2	321 20th Avenue #B	\$1,200	\$200	\$1,445	\$241	New, large bedrooms, washer/dryer	4
2	1	607 13th Street #5	\$395	\$198	n/a	n/a	nice location, includes heat WSG	4	6	2	115 1/2 17th Avenue West	\$1,250	\$208	\$1,510	\$252	Newer unit, great location, washer/dryer	D
2	1	915 1/2 Main Street	\$395	\$198	\$495	\$248	Good location in duplex, parking	D	6	2	115 17th Avenue West	\$1,260	\$210	\$1,510	\$252	Location, washer/dryer Parking	D
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2	1	421 13th Avenue West	\$425	\$213	\$565	\$283	Gas heat, hardwood floors, storage	D	7	2	1321 2nd Street West	\$1,400	\$200	\$1,700	\$243	Large house, 1 block from campus	H
2	1	1221 1/2 7th Street	\$440	\$220	n/a	n/a	Inc. heat, WSG, hot water, excellent location	4	7	2	820 11th Street	\$1,600	\$229	\$1,900	\$271	Newly remodeled, washer/dryer, fabulous house	H
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Super Bowl XL should be just that



Wesley Simonis

Sports Writer

After a season filled with individual antics and showboating on and off the field, the two teams that will be participating in Super Bowl XL are probably the two most humble teams in the league.

Both have great players on both sides of the ball but none who feel the need to make complete fools of themselves every time they find the endzone.

The Seahawks, who will be participating in their first Super Bowl in franchise history, quietly pounded their opposition in the playoffs and posted a regular season record of 13-3.

Head coach Mike Holmgren will be coaching his second team in the Super Bowl and looks to become the first head coach to lead two different teams to a Super Bowl win.

Clearly these aren't your father's Seahawks. In fact, I don't think they're much like the Seahawks I remember growing up either.

On the other side, you have the Pittsburgh Steelers led by Bill Cowher. Many people believe it's their season to rise to greatness with runningback Jerome Bettis entering his 13th and final season in the National Football League (NFL).

However, it may not be the Pittsburgh offense that clinches a Lombardi trophy but rather the speedy defense led by defensiveback Troy Polamalu.

Like always, I've tried to analyze both teams and predict a winner for you, but this one has been particularly tough.

Both teams have potent offenses, and after seeing the Seattle defense shut down Steve Smith and the Carolina Panthers last weekend, I was impressed with them as a team. So instead of saying what team will win and why, I'll suggest what each team needs to do on gameday in order to win.

If the Steelers want to come out on top they need to be hitting Seattle quarterback Matt Hasselbeck early and often.

Players like Polamalu and linebacker Joey Porter need to get at him and disrupt his rhythm. They also need to keep runningback Shaun Alexander in check throughout the game. I say in check because a team never stops him, but he can be contained.

By forcing the Seahawks into long third down situations, it gives the advantage to the Steeler's defense and creates opportunities for turnovers.

Offensively, big Ben Roethlisberger needs to spread the ball around to his receivers and open the game up. It won't be an easy task; however, with the loaded Seattle secondary of Marcus Trufant, Andre Dyson and Michael Boulware, not to mention Lofa Tatupu at linebacker.

Pittsburgh runningbacks Willie Parker and Bettis need to be explosive and find a niche in the Seattle defense in order to keep the ball moving.

If Seattle wants to bring the trophy back to Washington, they need to establish a solid running game with Alexander early.

If the offense can develop a rhythm with the ground game, it will allow Hasselbeck to open up to play action and move the ball up field.

The Seahawks will be tested by the speedy Pittsburgh blitz and need their front five and backfield to pick up the linebackers and defensivebacks before they get a helmet on Hasselbeck.

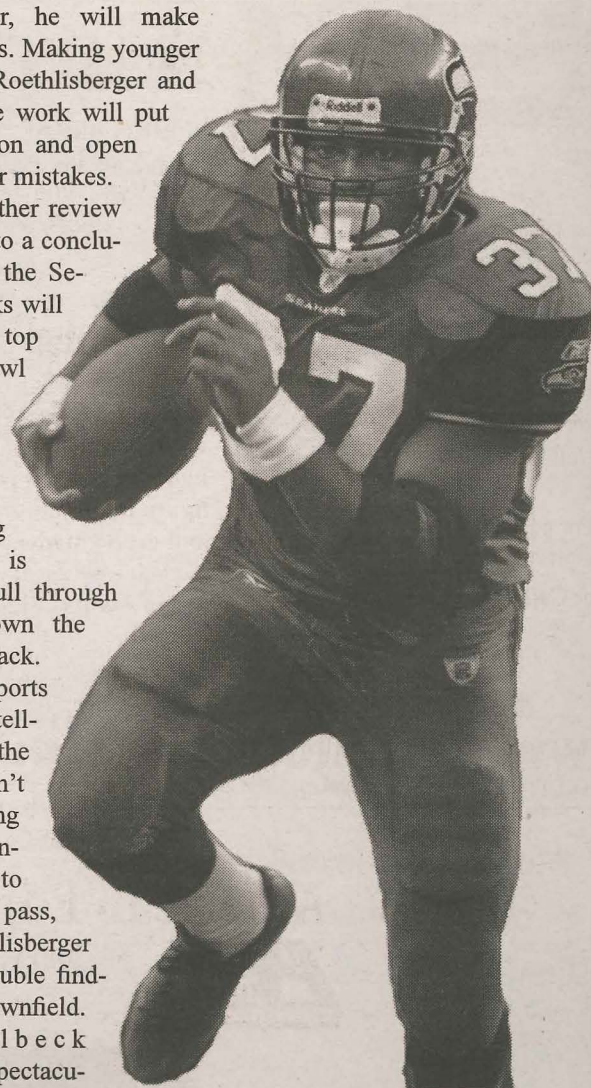
The Seahawk defense needs to shut down key players like wide receivers Hines Ward and Antwaan Randle El. Also, if the front four can pressure

Roethlisberger, he will make poor decisions. Making younger players like Roethlisberger and Parker do the work will put the pressure on and open up chances for mistakes.

After further review I have come to a conclusion. I think the Seattle Seahawks will come out on top in Super Bowl XL. I like the balance on offense, and I think the strong secondary is enough to pull through and shut down the Pittsburgh attack.

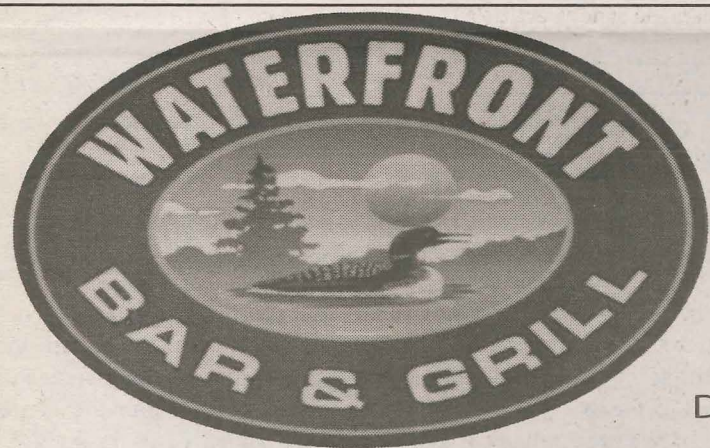
My sports senses are telling me that the Steelers don't have a strong enough running game to support the pass, and Roethlisberger will have trouble finding targets downfield.

Hasselbeck won't be spectacular either, but will do enough with the support of Alexander to get the job done. Defense is the key to winning championships, and I believe that Seattle will have the better



defense this February. I'm going out on a limb in this one and picking Seattle.

My final score for Super Bowl XL is Seattle 24, Pittsburgh 17.



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Men's Basketball
(14-4)

The men's basketball team defeated UW-Eau Claire 59-47 on Jan. 25

Next Game: Jan. 28 at UW-Whitewater

Women's Basketball
(12-6)

The women's basketball team won 67-54 over UW-Eau Claire on Jan. 25

Next Game: Jan. 28 at UW-Whitewater

Gymnastics
(0-4)

The gymnastics team was defeated by Gustavus Adolphus on Jan. 23

Next Meet: Feb. 3 at Hamline University



Lady Devils on hot streak

By Matt Edison
Sports Writer

While you may have spent the final week of your break moping around in sweatpants, the Lady Blue Devils have been taking care of business on the basketball court.

The team has won its last three games, defeating three conference opponents and going over the 10 win mark this season.

If any team out there is in need for solid play, it's the Lady Blue Devils. Their final six games of the regular season are against conference opponents with only three games left at home.

The hot streak could not have come at a better time for the University of Wisconsin-Stout.

The team had lost three of its last four games before coming into the January 11 matchup against the University of Wisconsin-River

Falls in a WIAC (Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Conference) game.

A solid performance by the Blue Devils created problems for UW-River Falls, forcing the Falcons to 23 turnovers, which helped secure the 71-59 win.

Kelsey Duoss scored 16 points in the contest, while Lindsey Geissler added 11.

Three days later, the Blue Devils hosted the University of Wisconsin-Whitewater, and they defeated the Warhawks 77-55 in another WIAC game. Savannah Oeltjen scored a career high 20 points, 12 of which were scored in the first half.

Duoss had another solid performance with a double-double against the Warhawks. Her 20 points and 12 rebounds closed the deal for UW-Stout.

Just this past Saturday, the Lady Blue Devils traveled to the University of Wisconsin-Platteville where the team took on the



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The Lady Blue Devils are 12-7 overall. The team looks to keep the hot streak going when they travel to UW-Whitewater on Saturday.

Pioneers. This game was neck and neck battle right up until the end, as UW-Stout was up by six with one minute to go.

The Lady Blue Devils iced the game with three free throws. Duoss had another double-double against the Pioneers as she scored 20 points and grabbed 13 rebounds. Lindsey Geissler banked 11 points to add to the scoreboard.

It was a strong three games for Duoss who is also the team's leading scorer. She had 56 points and more than 25 rebounds during the stretch.

Lindsay Geissler and Oeltjen were also standouts during the stretch. Oeltjen scored 39 points during the streak while Geissler had 25 points.

"We are coming off a three game winning streak as we are over half way through our regular season," said junior Amanda Geissler.

The next game for the Lady Blue Devils is this Saturday when they travel to the University of Wisconsin-Whitewater.

The Warhawks are 9-8

overall and 3-5 WIAC. The Blue Devils will be looking to get the season sweep on the the Warhawks with a win.

"We just need to keep taking it one game at a time and we will keep being successful," said Amanda Geissler.

In the next month, the women's basketball team will look to be playing its best basketball as they move closer to the WIAC championships and hopefully the NCAA tournament.

The lady Blue Devils know a little something about playing good late in the season, making it all the way to the semi-finals in last year's NCAA tournament.

For now the team will look to get wins over conference opponents and climb the conference ladder.

The University of Wisconsin-Oshkosh currently sits at the top of the WIAC with a record of 14-4 overall and 8-1 in the WIAC.

UW-Stout plays the Titans on February 4. UW-Oshkosh defeated the Blue Devils on December 10, 80-68.

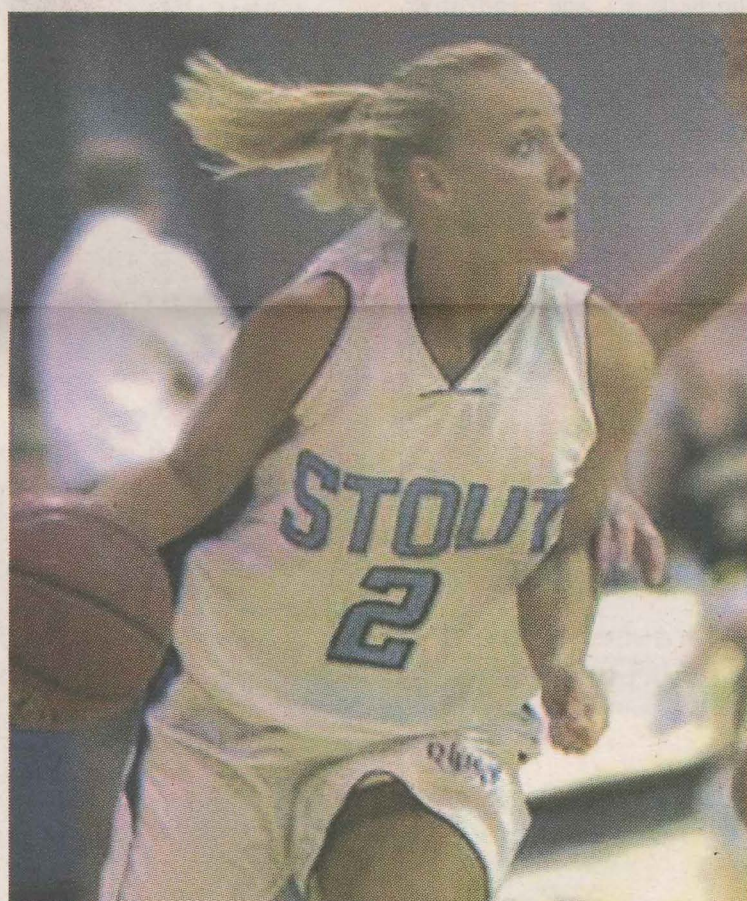


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Amanda Geissler and the Lady Blue Devils have won three straight conference games. The team's final six games are all WIAC games.

Upcoming Blue Devil Events

Men's Basketball

1/28 at UW-Whitewater
2/1 at UW-River Falls
2/4 UW-Oshkosh
2/8 UW-Superior
2/11 UW-Stevens Point
2/18 at UW-La Crosse
2/21 WIAC Quarterfinals
2/23 WIAC Semi-Finals
2/25 WIAC Championships

Women's Basketball

1/28 at UW-Whitewater
2/1 UW-River Falls
2/4 UW-Oshkosh
2/8 at UW-Superior
2/11 UW-Stevens Point
2/18 at UW-La Crosse
2/20 WIAC Quarterfinals
2/22 WIAC Semi-Finals
2/25 WIAC Championships

Hockey

1/27 Lake Forest
1/28 St. Norbert
2/3 UW-Superior
2/4 at St. Scholastica
2/10 UW-River Falls
2/11 at UW-River Falls
2/17 NCHA Quarterfinals
2/18 NCHA Quarterfinals
2/25 NCHA Semi-Finals
3/4 NCHA Finals

Gymnastics

2/3 at Hamline
2/10 at Air Force Academy
2/12 UW-Superior
2/17 at UW-Oshkosh
2/24 at UW-Whitewater
3/3 at WIAC Regional
3/24 NCGA Championships

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Biggest financial aid cut in history

By Lindsey Schuldt
News Editor

Financial aid, as most students know it, is very quickly crossing from an endangered species to extinction. A vote passed on Wednesday, Feb. 1, that cut financial aid by \$12.7 billion nationwide.

"This is the biggest cut seen in financial aid ever," said Beth Resech, director of financial aid at the University of Wisconsin-Stout.

Because of this bill, Wisconsin students will pay around \$1678 more for college next year.

"Senators and Representatives need to realize the importance of a continued investment in our country's education," said Adam Duffenbach, a senior in service management and the president of the Stout Student Association (SSA). "Their support for the largest cut on federal financial aid in history only creates roadblocks for students in need of assistance. If this

continual raid on students is carried out, I feel there is little hope for equal access to education for all students."

"For Americans troubled by a rising tide of red ink here in Washington, D.C., 2006 begins with reason for optimism as this Congress demonstrates the ability to make tough choices in tough times to put our fiscal house in order," said Rep. Mike Pence of Indiana.

However, there could still be up to \$70 billion in tax cuts over the next five years that would make tax cuts even worse.

"This is the largest cut to federal student financial aid in history," said Toby Chaudhuri, Campaign for America's Future Communications Director. "That's bad news for students and their parents who are struggling to pay for rising tuition costs and debt. Republican leaders say these cuts are necessary to curb spending, but they're also pushing to hand massive tax breaks to their campaign contributors."

Before the bill passed, the student aid was only 1 percent of the budget. The bill that passed cut this amount by 32 percent.

"This bill will make it harder for students from working families to go to college," said Robert Borosage, Campaign for America's Future co-director. "This measure makes deep and

harmful cuts to student loans that will not even pay for the next tax breaks planned for the wealthy."

This original vote passed by the Senate with a one vote margin, 51-50, with Vice President Dick Cheney casting the final and deciding vote. The final vote, passed by the House of

Representatives, passed yesterday with a 216-214 vote.

"The President spoke [on Tuesday] about the importance of education to sustaining America's competitiveness in today's global economy," said congressman Ron Kind. "Now, less than 24

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Poverty: not just a simulation

By Lindsey Schuldt
News Editor

When students look around Menomonie, they don't exactly see scenes similar to New York City, where the homeless can be found in every direction.

However, this doesn't mean that poverty doesn't exist within our city limits.

In an attempt to help students understand what it would be like to raise a family at the level of poverty, part of the University of Wisconsin Extension program put on a poverty simulation.

"This is to help students better understand and have more compassion for people in circumstances beyond their control," said Karen Fritz, coordinator of the event. "These students may be helping families in the future who have dealt with job loss, injury and hunger for their families. Even if this is artificial, it will give these students a chance to see what it's like to walk in someone else's shoes so they can better help those people later on."

The poverty simulation has all of the participants split up into different families. On the outside of the room, there are shops set up, ranging from a jail, to a school to a hotel and even a pawn shop.

Students must take the money they have been given and keep their family fed and sheltered while paying their bills and getting their children to and from school with transportation passes.

Though mainly done for the Family Resource Management class, other students and



Lindsey Schuldt/Stoutonia

Angela Laughlin and Derek Newsom figure out how much money they can use at the grocery store during the poverty simulation.

community members participated. Those running the different stands tried to be as realistic to the students as it would be in real life.

"It felt like we were constantly being judged by the

people who were supposed to be helping us," said Courtney Zaft, a senior in family consumer science education.

The program is performed once a semester at the University of Wisconsin-Stout.

How the financial aid cut affects you

Will I get less financial aid next year?

No, but you will pay more for it. The originating fee (what you initially pay after leaving school) will be more, as well as the interest on any subsidized or unsubsidized Stafford loans.

How much more will I be paying for my loans?

Students loans will go from 4.7% to 6.8% interest. Parent loans will go up in interest from 7.9% to 8.5 %

Is this the end of the budget cuts for student aid?

No. The reconciliation bill still has yet to go through, but if it does go through the amount that students will receive in actual aid will be lowered.

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Friday 2-3 32° / 19° Snow Showers
Saturday 2-4 25° / 17° A.M. Clouds P.M. Sun
Sunday 2-5 28° / 19° Partly Cloudy
Monday 2-6 28° / 13° Partly Cloudy
Tuesday 2-7 26° / 16° Snow Showers
Wednesday 2-8 30° / 22° Snow
Thursday 2-9 33° / 17° Partly Cloudy

Grant money

By Lindsey Schuldt
News Editor

The Board of Regents will be having their February meeting from Feb. 9 through Feb. 10 and will be held on the University of Wisconsin-Madison campus. The address will be opened by the University of Wisconsin System President, Kevin P. Reilly, and entitled "The UW Growth Agenda: A vision for the Future."

The meeting will feature a proposal for another tuition-related initiative and a plan to subsidize costs for in-state students by attracting more high-paying nonresidents using competitive tuition rates. The biggest thing to be discussed, however, is the legislation that recently passed, which, if signed, will increase the maximum Wisconsin Higher Education Grant (WHEG) award from \$2,500 to \$3,000.

"The bill approved by the Wisconsin State Legislature to increase the maximum amount

of a WHEG is very good news for the neediest UW students and their families," said Reilly. "We're encouraged that this idea had broad, bipartisan support in both the Senate and the Assembly. I will be urging the Governor to take prompt action to sign this bill to increase the maximum state grant."

Last year, 22 percent of those who received the WHEG award were given the maximum amount possible for the award, which would help even more students if Governor Jim Doyle signs the bill.

"There is a lot more we can do to help our students in the future," said Reilly. "The UW System will be considering more big ideas about financial aid and student access at the Board of Regents meeting. Providing access to every student who wants a college education, and is willing to work at it, is one of the UW System's top priorities."

Bill / Senate okays cuts

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hours later, this House has enacted the largest raid on student aid in history even while millions of American families are struggling to afford the rising cost of college." Kind voted against the bill that passed.

These cuts will raise the interest percent on loans from 7.9 percent to 8.5 percent.

In his State of the Union speech last night, President Bush said, "We must continue to lead the world in human talent and creativity. Our greatest advantage in the world has always been our educated, hardworking, ambitious people—and we're going to keep that edge."

Kind said yesterday that the President and the congressional majority have already walked away from that promise by passing the budget-cutting bill today.

"I'm getting no help at all," said Samantha Krub-sack of Nekoosa. "I've applied for grants, I've applied for loans. It took me

a long time to save up the money that I have and I've lost so much money over the last couple of years trying to pay for school that I don't have anything left."

Student debt has doubled in the past ten years and will be even higher because of this bill.

"At a time when education is at a premium and we need to be growing the economy we should be making it easier, not harder, for students to get a college education," said Kind.

When President Bush was asked by Kansas State University sophomore Tiffany

Cooper how student aid cuts would help a student's future, Bush said he preferred to call it "reform" of the student loan program and inaccurately said that reduction in costs would not affect students.

"If you're going to do the budget, do it fairly," said Resch. "The 12.7 percent represents an unfair portion coming from the student aid. Don't balance the budget on the back of our students."

Whydotski passes away

Contributed by Myrtis' family

Myrtis L. Whydotski, 85, of Menomonie, University of Wisconsin-Stout faculty emeritus died Tuesday, Dec. 27 at Myrtle Werth Hospital.

She graduated from the Stout Institute in 1942 and taught home economics in Whitehall, Beloit, Wausau and Windsor, Colo. After receiving her master's degree from UW-

Stout in 1968, she taught in the School of Home Economics until her retirement in 1982. She was active in many community organizations and served as adviser to the local Phi Upsilon Omicron chapter for many years.

Her late husband, Lloyd, who was a faculty member at UW-Stout for more than 30 years, died in 1994.

Memorial services were held for Myrtis on Saturday, Jan. 21 at First Congregational

Church in Menomonie.

In lieu of flowers, the family prefers memorials to the First Congregational Church Building Fund; the Dunn County Historical Society; or the Phi Upsilon Omicron Scholarship Fund at UW-Stout.

The James Huff Stout bell in Bowman Hall sounded a funeral toll at 11:45 a.m., Friday, Jan. 20 in her memory.



Citations for Jan. 28-Feb. 1

- 31 UAD (1st offense)
- 6 UAD (2nd offense)
- 1 Possession of Marijuana
- 3 Disorderly Conduct
- 1 Obstructing a Police officer

Freshman just want to party

On Friday, Jan. 28 UW-Stout officers were dispatched to North Hall for the report of an underage drinking party. Seven to eight individuals fled the room after the RA confronted them. Officers observed several alcoholic beverages in the room and removed them.

Yes, fire extinguishers do work

On Wednesday, Jan. 25 a fire alarm alerted the Menomonie Fire Department and UW-Stout officers to respond to smoke coming from the basement of CKTO. Upon arrival, they discovered a fire extinguisher had been sprayed in the Tustison basement lounge and the male bathroom. No suspects were witnessed or found.

Can't people use the stairs?

On Tuesday, Jan. 24 the elevator located in North Hall trapped a student on third floor. The Menomonie Fire Department was able to free the student and reset the elevator.

Another reason to use stairs

On Monday, Jan. 23 a man in Harvey Hall called for help after the elevator he was in had gotten stuck. He was rescued by the Menomonie Fire Department who was able to open the elevator doors.

Note:

A substantial amount of money was turned over to the UW-Stout Police Department. The money was found on campus. A person can contact the UW-Stout Police Department (232-2222) to claim the money. The person contacting the Police Department will be asked to provide detailed information on the found money.

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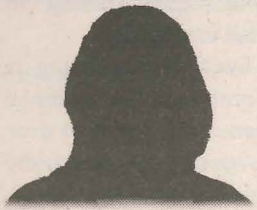
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Time for a mascot at UW-Stout



Staff Editorial
The Stoutonia Staff

If you have been to a University of Wisconsin-Stout athletic event recently, you may have noticed something missing: a mascot.

You know: that big, obnoxious character that is supposed to run around and get people excited about sporting events.

Apparently, it was thought that using a blue devil could be offensive to some. It was also decided that a traditional blue devil would not be neutral enough

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to use for both men's and women's athletics.

If this is the case, there are many mascots that should not be used. A falcon, a badger or a titan are no more feminine than a blue devil. Yet, these are mascots that are in use by other schools today.

It was also thought that changing the nickname to something other than the Blue Devils would alienate many alumni who knew the teams by this nickname.

So today we have the logos with a block 'S' and the Blue Devils with a flame. But how can a school not have a mascot?

Maybe there could be a giant flame to run around at the different sporting events, or perhaps a giant quill, since this is what is used in the official UW-Stout logo.

There are also other problems that arise with changing the nickname.

There are other organizations that use the term 'Blue Devils,' other than athletic teams. One of these is Blue Devil Productions.

So if UW-Stout were to change their nickname, they would also have to come up with another name.

Then again, the alterna-

tive of not having a mascot isn't the greatest either.

There are other schools that are using some form of a devil for a mascot.

Duke University is also known as the Blue Devils and Arizona State University is known as the Sun Devils and both of these teams have mascots at their sporting events.

So why are these schools able to use this kind of a mascot, but we are not.

Is there no one in North Carolina or Arizona that is offended by using a devil as a mascot. That's doubtful.

A school using a mascot as a devil does not mean that the school is in any way against Christianity.

We at *The Stoutonia* feel that a blue devil should be allowed for use at UW-Stout.

Sure, there are some out there that may be offended by this. But there is someone out there that will be offended by pretty much anything.



Not that we should go around trying to offend people, but it's pretty much impossible to make everyone happy all the time.

Most students would probably agree that it would be better for UW-Stout to have a mascot.

So if we really can't have a blue devil to run around and cause a little

commotion at sporting events, maybe it's time to think about changing that nickname once again.

Sure there are alumni that have been happy to be the Blue Devils and go on without their mascot, but what about the many generations that are still to come at UW-Stout?

Don't you think we need to think about what they would like too?

Hamas wins in Palestinian election



Michael Graney
Columnist

Something very interesting has happened in a Palestinian election.

A group that the United States has labeled as a terrorist organization, Hamas, has won a huge majority of the Palestine government over the U.S. friendly Fatah party.

Why did this happen? Corruption had riddled the Fatah party for a while, and for this election, an alternative appeared in the form of Hamas.

Hamas is the organization that has claimed responsibility for many of the suicide bombings that have riddled the West Bank for a while. It also was elected in a fair, just and democratic election. Hamas presented itself as an alternative to the existing situation.

Where does one begin to draw the line between a revolutionary organization, a terrorist organization and a political

party? It seems organizations that start out as a terrorist organization become revolutionary organizations and eventually political players.

A great example of this in the 20th century was the IRA's change from being a far out terrorist organization to becoming a revolutionary organization and a big player in the peace process of Ireland. Is this the natural evolution of groups seeking change in democracies?

I would hope that peaceful methods would prevail, but nothing gets the attention of the masses as much as some good, old-fashioned violence. That is where the terrorist groups realize, in our media driven environment, the easiest way to get one's message out is by violence or the threat of violence.

With few exceptions, the revolutions of the world are inherently violent and bloody affairs. If the title of terrorist existed in the 1700s, how would the United States' founding fathers be classified? They were revolutionaries.

The idea spread from a small group of thinkers to more of the populace. Violence did erupt before the revolution and property was damaged (i.e. the

Boston Massacre and Boston Tea Party).

If these revolutionaries lost the war, they would have been tried and hanged as traitors to the crown.

A harsher reality would probably have resulted with more taxation on the people and a stronger military presence to cut off the seeds of rebellion from brute force if necessary.

It is my belief that the much quoted Second Amendment's original intention wasn't the popular belief that everyone can own a gun, but that people have the right to revolt.

Here is a question, in the light of recent exposures of corruption and probable illegal activities committed by our current government: do we still have that right to revolt? Do we still have the capability to force a change in a corrupt land?

If we tried to hold a revolution, would we be able to get our message out? The easiest way to get the message out is to commit atrociously violent acts. Why is this? That is what the media pays attention to as a newsworthy event and will publicize.

Compare the number of people that can name recent

winners of the Nobel Peace Prize to the number of people that can tell you about the exploits of a serial killer like BTK or Jeffrey Dahmer.

Violence makes people sit up and pay attention. With the adage that no publicity is bad publicity, political groups can turn to terrorist groups in order to spread their message.

Then, when the message gets out, they might make the evolution to a revolutionary group (if that is what they preach) or a viable political party in a democracy to get elected. This cycle could then repeat as all violent cycles seem to.

Can we prevent this kind of cycle? It is seriously doubtful given our current media situation and apathy of people. If people somehow began to care about their government and its place in society, we might be able to rid ourselves of the fascination with violence.

More importantly, if people take the time to pay attention to the news and actually hold their representatives accountable for their actions, the attractiveness of terrorism as a way of spreading a message can gradually disappear.

Call me a pessimist, but I just can't see that happening.



Letters to the Editor

If you wish to submit a Letter to the Editor, letters can be sent to stoutonia@uwstout.edu. Letters must be no longer than 250 words and must be submitted by 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday in order to run in that week's issue.

Serious Issue

As a graduate of UW-Stout with a major in psychology, I was interested in reading the article by Jennifer Gauthier, titled "Battling with Seasonal Depression."

As a psychology major I was more shocked at the information in the article. Nowhere in the article did it suggest that counseling may be the answer to depression. Adding more lights in your room will not help with your emotions.

Also the article was about depression, not seasonal depression, which is in a whole different category. I just feel like false hope was given to the many readers

who may be suffering from depression.

I know that your writers are not professional on what they write about; however, I feel that they should be knowledgeable. She suggests to get more sleep; depressed people often do not sleep.

Also, I was wondering where her myths came from; is it a reliable source that readers could read more into? I do not mean to insult your writers; I just don't want false hope given to the depressed.

Depression is a serious issue that deserves to be talked about and I appreciate your willingness to do just that.

Rose Hanes
Former UW-Stout student



Matt Schubbe
Columnist

All the cool stuff I do is usually witnessed by no one. Is that a problem for anyone else?

It seems to happen to me more and more often these days. And when I try to replicate the feat I just accomplished with other people around, I more often than not end up on the receiving end of some well-deserved sarcastic laughter.

Case in point, just last Thursday, an incident fitting the above description occurred when I was between classes in the Applied Arts building.

I was in dire need of some grazing material, and luckily I had about 10 minutes to grab something to eat from one of the vending machines in Micheels Hall near the Furlong Gallery.

In case you didn't know, those machines are strategically

designed to take art students' money; just read the sticker someone slapped on one of them.

I swiped my card and punched the code for some delicious chips that were perched delicately at the top left corner of the window.

I salivated a tiny bit as the little metal coil holding them in place began to turn (this is kind of embarrassing, me drooling and all, but bear in mind I was very hungry).

Then, the unthinkable happened. A cruel twist of fate held my poor, tasty chips caught in limbo between the machine and my mouth. They were stuck.

I glared at the sticker on the machine that contained information about the "snack-lock" system that supposedly ensured no food would get stuck and decided to take matters into my own hands.

I shook that puppy, hard. Within a couple of seconds, my chips were free, and I was reveling in my success. There was one guy behind me who saw my Fonzy-like chip save, but otherwise the place was pretty deserted.

Later that afternoon, I

passed by the same vending machine. I glanced over as a crowd of people had gathered around someone who was hitting the machine repeatedly.

I knew he was having the same problem I had before; it was hero time. I walked over with a bit of a swagger to my gait and pulled up my sleeves.

"Let me try," I said, as if I had some otherworldly power over all things vending machine. I shook, and shook, and pushed and shoved. But it was all to no avail. I could not get the bag of chips to move.

Realizing my defeat, and feeling pretty deflated, I grinned sheepishly and said, "I got another one out that way earlier." But the damage was done. The Fonzy, I was not.

I walked away from that one, but who knows when this jinx will afflict me again?

I could be giving someone CPR alone and save their life, but in a crowd, they could die! Well, maybe that's going a little too far.

Let's just hope I can get it together enough to be able to at least get a bag of stuck Twizzlers out of the vending machine next time.

Online companies make investing easy

Four online companies allow for a more simple way to invest



Shawn Peter
Columnist

Like myself, most college students are not necessarily active traders or rich enough to invest thousands. Yet many want to invest small sums of money from tax returns or personal savings.

I'm not a financial expert; however, I thought it would be fun to write an article about online investing companies such as etrade.com, ameritrade.com, scottrade.com and sharebuilder.com. I'm only covering stocks, not mutual funds or IRAs because of the complexity.

With that said, my disclaimer is that I'm not responsible for your investments, but if you want to take the leap it can be both fun, educational and there is potential for earnings, if you play it smart.

Ameritrade offers many investing tools and services for the active trader. The free Ameritrade streamer shows stock quote updates on one's desktop.

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An average of five trades

per month for three months is needed to qualify for that program. For the average college student, the list of fees seems unwelcoming. However, if those criteria are met, it can be a great company.

Etrade boasts in their television commercials that their services allow investors to be extraordinary. They offer many cool tools for investing, like customizable charts and programs that display instant quotes. Their site is straightforward and easy to understand.

An online advisor categorizes and lists the movers and shakers to suggest which stocks might be good or bad buys. Like any service, they make money from many fees.

Etrade is an active trader's paradise; 1,500 trades per month are \$7 each, but for those that do zero to 29 trades per month, it's \$12.99 per trade. Unless the account is more than \$10,000, a fee of \$40 is assessed at the end of each quarter. Those fancy commercials and high tech online tools come at a price.

Scottrade has been named six years in a row for investor satisfaction by JD Power and Associates. Up front, their Web site is well built with each page showing a wealth of information. They have lots of options for the investor.

Unlike some of the other sites, from what I could find, Scottrade allows the purchase of penny and very high risk stocks (usually less than \$5 per share).

Scottrade has branch offices nationwide in 250 locations. They also have software which

shows live stock quote updates and allows for instant trading. There is an elite program for the serious investors, but fees apply. Overall, Scottrade doesn't aim to collect a lot of fees, so it seems like a good place to start.

Sharebuilder boasts \$4 trades and a philosophy to allow investors to invest regularly through recurring investments, buy partial shares and steadily accumulate positions over time. Instead of picking how many shares of stock to buy, punch in the dollar amount, and they'll purchase the equivalent shares.

Sharebuilder is basic compared to other sites who offer high tech software and tools. They allow the flexibility of turning off the account, so the accounts accumulate from dividends and growth.

There are no fees for just having an account. However, when it comes time to sell stock, they charge \$15.95 for the market price the shareholder chooses or \$19.95 for an amount the investor prefers.

There are different account types: basic, standard and advantage, offering discounts and some additional tools at each level.

Depending on the industry, many stocks have done remarkably well with handsome returns. Do homework and research before purchasing a stock. A wealth of information is available through many free sources. Hopefully, I can cover that next time.

Take the risk but invest smart. The first step is picking the method, so hopefully you're on the right track!



Lindsey Schuldtt
News Editor

I don't agree with the word hate, but this time I will not back down.

I hate President Bush.

"It's a myth to think I don't know what's going on," said good old 'W'. It's not his stupidity that makes me mad, it's his failure to admit it that pisses me off.

Do you know, Mr. President that I have worked 60 hour weeks for the past four years, just to pay for my education? And, while working more hours a week than you put in during an entire term in office, I somehow have managed a 3.3 GPA.

It's not where he went to school that makes me mad, it's how he got in that pisses me off. Yale is where he went to school, with a grand SAT score only slightly more than 1200. But wait ... you can't get into Yale with that score, can you George Senior?

And what's that you say? You didn't have a job during school so you could concentrate on your education?

There must be some mistake, because as an undergraduate wasn't your final GPA a 2.3? It must take effort to be that stupid with no excuse. Well done.

It's not that he's a former alcoholic or babbling idiot that makes me mad, it's that the entire nation has to live with his uninformed and uneducated decisions that pisses me off.

Back down Bush

Osama is thought to have been behind bombing the Twin Towers. This is the same Osama thought to be in Afghanistan. So we bombed Iraq. Good call.

We bombed Iraq because they have weapons of mass destruction. We didn't find any, but at least we got Hussein. I'm sure those civilians and bystanders will thank you for their deaths in another life. Good call.

Students are now paying more for tuition, more for financial aid to help pay for their tuition and may be without social security when we get older so we can work until we die. I always thought retirement was overrated. Good decision.

It's not that Bush isn't a good public speaker that makes me mad, it's that when he talks in public he can't stop lying that pisses me off.

"America is the land of the second chance—and when the gates of the prison open, the path ahead should lead to a better life," said Bush. Wait, isn't Bush from Texas? That's right, while he was Governor, he oversaw the execution of 113 people. But don't worry, he did grant leniency, to one person.

Who cares about women's rights, oil prices, Medicare, social security, senseless war, death penalty, the future, environmental issues, financial aid, our economy, our elderly, the young, the middle class, the poor, minorities, single parents, Welfare, pharmaceutical medicine, freedom and equality when we have a great, Christian bearing president with money and a great daddy?

Wait.

I do.

And I won't back down.

BDP brings campus entertainment

By Rachel Landwehr
Campus Writer

Blue Devil Productions is not an ordinary student organization.

"To serve as the campus-wide programming board by researching, selecting and producing events and activities for the University of Wisconsin-Stout

student body and campus community."

This is the mission statement for the student run organization called Blue Devil Productions (BDP).

The organization has been around since 2002 when For Your Entertainment (FYE) and Campus Music Promotions

(CMP) merged to become Blue Devil Productions.

By combining forces they maintained a bigger budget for events and proceeded in a timelier manner by combining two weekly meetings into one.

Almost every Thursday night there is a free music act playing on campus, usually in Huff's or the Student Recreation Center, both located in the bottom of the Memorial Student Center.



In the Blue Devil Lounge, which is a part of Blue Devil Productions, students can enjoy live music in a relaxed atmosphere.

The organization is run by students and advised by Darrin Witucki, who has been a part of BDP since day one.

However, the students are the ones that maintain a budget, are in charge of promotions and public relations of events, screen the hiring of new members, produce a variety of events, maintain the office records and manage all other aspects of running an organization involved in the industry.

BDP takes a back seat to the artists they showcase. Bringing events like Atmosphere, Ike Riley and Rock the Vote to UW-Stout takes a lot of hard work. They are behind the scenes making it happen and learning about the entertainment industry along the way.

The organization consists of one advisor, about 28 members and 10 executive board members.

Sarah Albers
Executive Producer
Kayla Borchardt
Blue Devil Lounge
Rachel Landwehr
Communications
Kendalin Griffioen



Name: Drew Davis

Year and Major: Senior in Engineering Technology

Title in BDP: Music Director

Explanation of duties: In charge of booking the bigger bands that come to play at UW-Stout.

Upcoming Events: Vicious, Vicious will be playing on Feb. 9, in the lower level of the MSC at 7 p.m.

Years involved with BDP: 1

BDP likes: Digs the music and likes the flexibility around his schedule.

BDP Change: The cost of bands these days. Would like to maintain the budget and get bigger bands for less money.

Why this job instead the commons: Doesn't have the necessary skills

How did you get involved: His girlfriend was involved and got him interested in the organization.

Relation to major: Does not relate to his major. "Which makes me wonder why I am in my major," he said.

Favorite color: Black and green.

Favorite board game: Monopoly

Other organizations: He is going to join SAE and SME.

Interests: BMX, snowboarding, travel, music and his girlfriend.

So, if you live for live music, meeting a variety of artists or just like chilling with really amusing people, come to the meetings or check out the shows. The organization is always interested in new faces to keep the group lively and fresh.

BDP has an open door policy for their meetings, which are held on Monday nights at 7 p.m. in the Northwoods room located on the lower level of the MSC. More information can be found at the BDP Web site: www.bdp.uwstout.edu or e-mail them at bdp@uwstout.edu



Name: Katie Jensen

Year and Major: Senior in Family and Consumer Science Education

Title in BDP: Special Events Director

Explanation of duties: Behind the scenes of planning homecoming and in charge of bringing all the movies to campus.

Upcoming Events: "The Brother's Grimm" on Feb. 21 at 7 p.m. in Applied Arts 210. Free event

Years involved with BDP: 4

BDP likes: Meeting people, different experiences, meeting and working with artists, learning and teaching people how to put on a show.

BDP Change: Wishes more people understood what BDP does for the University of Wisconsin-Stout campus.

Why this job instead of the commons: Variety of interesting opportunities and experiences; she doesn't want to say "would you like fries with your chicken patty?" at work everyday.

How did you get involved: Already knew about the organization when she came to UW-Stout, so she went to a meeting her freshman year.

Relation to major: Time management skills, people skills, computer skills.

Favorite color: Blue and red

Favorite board game: Any Trivial Pursuit (she loves them all)

Other organizations: Was involved in The Stout Association of Family and Consumer Science for one semester

Interests: Snowboarding, soccer, hanging out with friends and not doing lesson plans.

Campus Relations

Katie Jensen

Special Events and Films

Nick Sorrentino

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Art

Justin Mueller

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Nick Koepke

Comedy

Drew Davis

Music

Some students have been involved with BDP since they were freshmen, like Katie Jensen. Another member would include senior Drew Davis who joined his senior year so he could get involved and learn what it's like to work in the entertainment business.

slant

If you could
create a
holiday what
would it be?



"Garbage Giving Day."
Ashley Lund
Art Education
Sophomore



"Tupac Shakur Day"
Dylan Cheek
Studio Art
Senior



"National Family Day!"
Heidi Johnston
Interior Design
Freshman



"National Interests Day"
Ryan Miller
Undecided
Freshman



"National Cookie Dough Day."
Aimee Faust
Apparel Design
Sophomore

The key to healthy self-image is acceptance

By Jennifer Gauthier
Campus Writer

College students of both sexes experience the highest rates of anorexia and bulimia than any other age group. Eating disorders are closely related with a particular person's body or self-image.

"[Body image is] how you see or picture yourself, how you feel others perceive you, and how you feel about and inside your body," said Dr. Robin Abraham, staff psychologist with the UW-Stout Counseling Center in Bowman Hall.

Most college students experience body image issues called normative discontent.

[Normative discontent is] the way most people in Western society tend to feel about themselves, which is not quite comfortable but for the most part accepting," said Abraham.

Serious body issues go beyond normative discontent, or slight body discomfort. Body image issues can become central to the person's life, a serious preoccupation where their success and failure are based almost solely on how they perceive themselves.

"I knew some people with eating disorders, and what they were doing to themselves had

become the biggest problem in their lives, not the answer to their problems as they had thought," said Ryan Smead, a freshman majoring in hospitality and tourism.

"I think the media plays a part in it," said Smead. "You can't obsess about what Hollywood says is beautiful, especially when it's so unhealthy."

There is no singular cause for body image issues.

"Media images and messages 'teach' us that to be beautiful means we must also be thin. Other personality traits, such as tendencies towards perfection and low self-esteem can contribute to these problems," said Abraham.

Additional culprits can include high expectations by parents and peers with body issues. Ordinary poor self-image and body issues can usually be worked out when a few things are considered:

Attention: Listen for and respond to internal causes of the problems, including hunger, satiety, fatigue, stress, depression and anxiety problems.

Appreciation: Pay attention to and appreciate what your body can do, instead of focusing on appearance alone, or what you think that you can't do.

Acceptance: Accept not

only your own body, but also other people's bodies.

By loving yourself and others for who they are and what they are can instill a sense of peace and can keep you from desiring something unrealistic and unlikely or impossible to happen. A very small percentage of the women fit the media's "ideal" of a 5'10" and 110 pound supermodel, and the same is true for men.

As logical human beings, we understand that media's standards are unrealistic, and for the most part, completely unattainable; yet, we desire it anyway—not only the

beautiful, sculpted bodies but the perceived happiness and intense desirability that goes along with it.

"You might dislike your body until you figure out that you'll never be 'classically beautiful,' but once you figure that out, it's fine," said Jake Ramberg, a studio art major.

"You can't need everyone to want you, or look good for everyone to spark jealousy or measure up to other people's standards, or fitting into the mold," said Ramberg.

Many people begin to find

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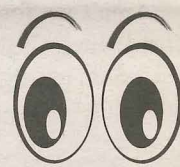
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Why the 'S' is remembered today

By Katie Triphan
Campus Writer

There has been much buzz around campus lately regarding the confession of one of the culprits involved in the stolen Bowman Tower "S."

Students who have attended the University of Wisconsin-Stout since 2004 know that suddenly a strange "S" appeared on Bowman Tower two years ago and graced us with its presence, much to our confusion. We later learned this strange new "S" wasn't new at all, but a replacement. The original "S" was placed upon the tower back in 1922 and then stolen from the tower in 1969.

As was stated in the news section of *The Stoutonia* last week, John Calvin, a 1970 UW-Stout graduate and current sound engineer at NBC recently called Alumni Director Sue Pittman to confess his involvement in the crime. He and two other unnamed co-conspirators stole the "S" and threw it into the Red Cedar River in an attempt to beautify the campus.

A very interesting story indeed; it always feels satisfying to solve a mystery, and the ending to this story certainly is fascinating because the admitted culprit is now famous, which adds to the story's intrigue.

Aren't we forgetting something, though? Why is the guilty party receiving all the attention? Didn't you ever wonder where

the original "S" that has caused all this commotion came from, or why it so important that it needed to be replaced?

Some of you may have attended convocation your freshman year and might remember singing UW-Stout's Alma Mater at some point during the ceremony. For those of you who don't remember, here are the lyrics:

On the banks of Lake Menomin
Stands our Alma Mater true,
With tower high and brilliant "S,"
For her we'll dare and do.
We'll sing her praises many,
We'll glorify her name;
And on throughout the years of time,
Our love for Stout proclaim!

UW-Stout's Alma Mater was written by Lillian Hylland (with help on the last line from Jane Hambly) sometime during Hylland's freshman year at Stout in 1927.

Hylland was an organist for the Our Savior's Lutheran Church and also accompanied glee clubs and soloists. Hylland's sister Olive described Lillian as "a very caring person who enthusiastically shared her time and talents wherever she went."

The composition of the "Alma Mater" was a result of a contest that appeared in *The Stoutonia* that produced more than twenty official songs and parodies over the years. Lyrics to winning songs would be printed in *The Stoutonia*

for students to learn so the songs could later be sung at school events. Knowing school songs used to be very important, and years ago most students knew the words to important songs like the "Alma Mater" and also the popular "Stout-Hearted Men."

Hylland's line in the "Alma Mater," "With Tower high and brilliant S," was a reference to the "S" that was built in 1922 by Ray Schultz, a special student who was a graduate of Eau Claire State Normal School attending Stout so

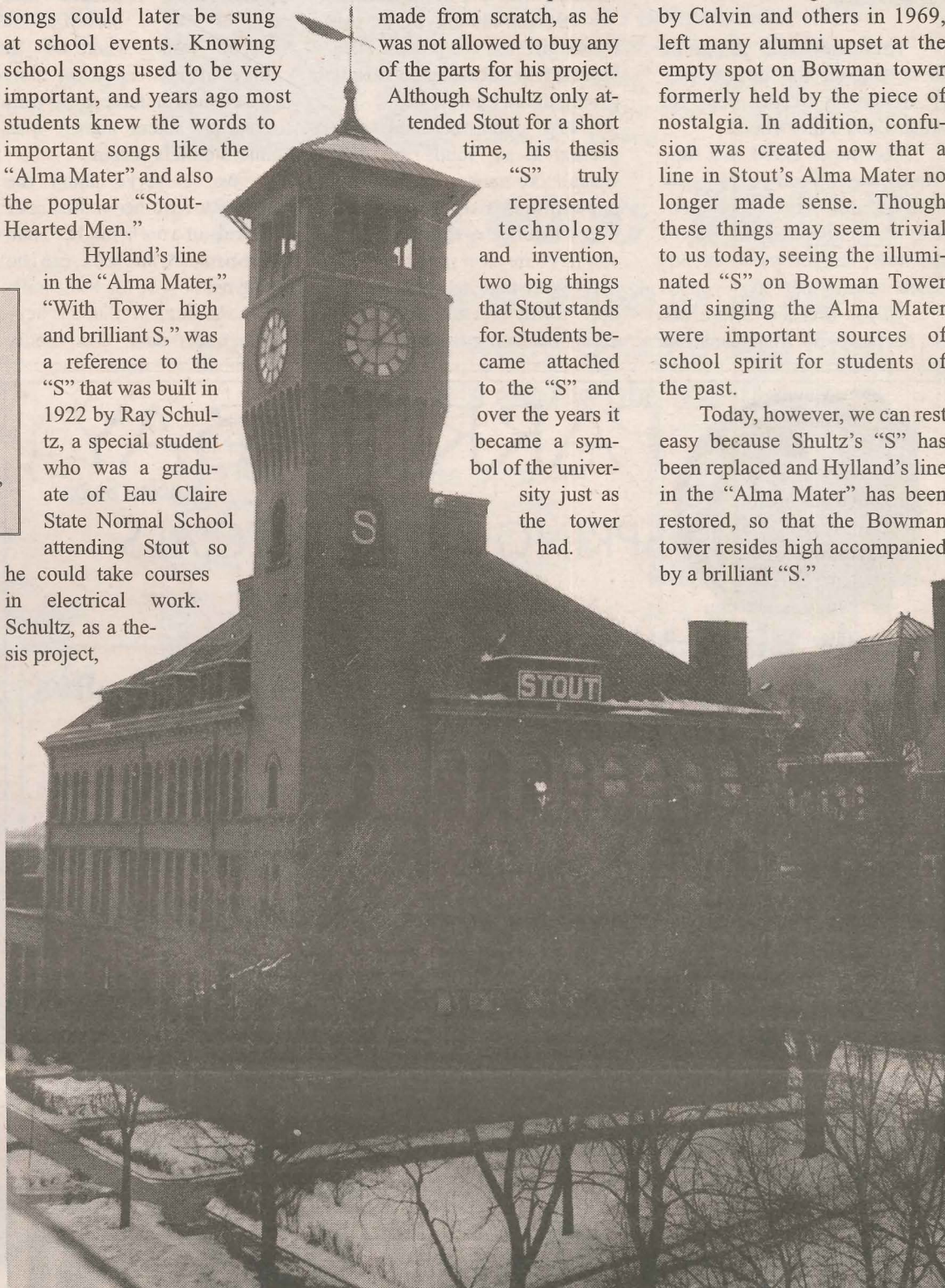
he could take courses in electrical work. Schultz, as a thesis project,

built the "S" from parts he made from scratch, as he was not allowed to buy any of the parts for his project.

Although Schultz only attended Stout for a short time, his thesis "S" truly represented technology and invention, two big things that Stout stands for. Students became attached to the "S" and over the years it became a symbol of the university just as the tower had.

The stealing of the "S," by Calvin and others in 1969, left many alumni upset at the empty spot on Bowman tower formerly held by the piece of nostalgia. In addition, confusion was created now that a line in Stout's Alma Mater no longer made sense. Though these things may seem trivial to us today, seeing the illuminated "S" on Bowman Tower and singing the Alma Mater were important sources of school spirit for students of the past.

Today, however, we can rest easy because Shultz's "S" has been replaced and Hylland's line in the "Alma Mater" has been restored, so that the Bowman tower resides high accompanied by a brilliant "S."



UW-Stout Archives/Area Research Center

The original "S" was built by Ray Schultz, who had come to Stout to take courses in electrical work. Though it may not be as important to students today, the 'S' once represented technology and invention.

Black

By Bakari Williams

Black is an expression of honor, loyalty, faith, pride and harmony.

Black is beautiful, blessed, fair and a representation of equality.

Black is a race and nation of wisdom, love and knowledge.

A foundation built so strong not even an earthquake could budge it.

Black was the beginning and it shall decide the end.

Black is my gift, so over oppression I shall win.

Black is power, energy and desire.

The determination that ignites my courage and fire.

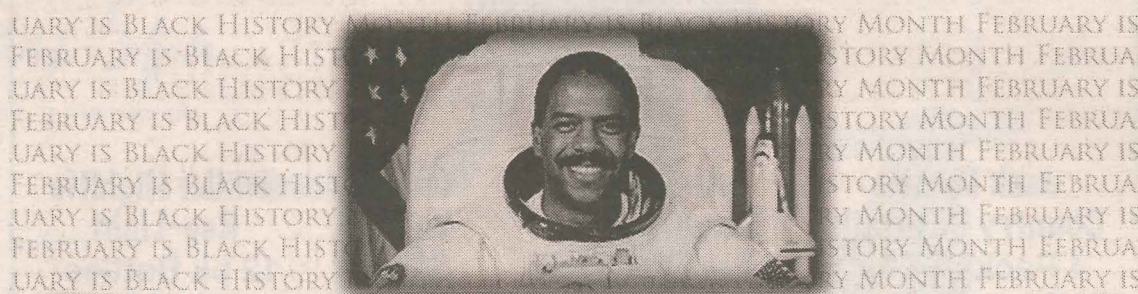
Black is my father, mother, sister and son.

Black is my soul, attitude, past and present.

Black is what I am and what I will always be.

Black is everything.

Black is me.



Black History Week Feb. 13-18

Monday: Award winning movie CRASH at 7 p.m. in the Great Hall (refreshments provided)

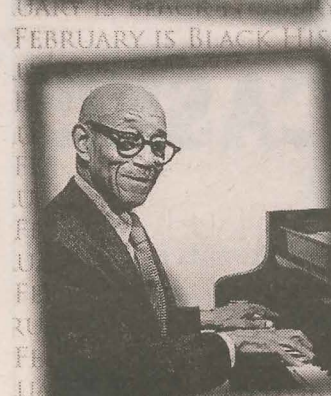
Tuesday: Swing Dance Lessons (location TBA)

Wednesday: NBSU Workshops 11-12 p.m. in the Badger Room

Thursday: "Platanos and Collard Greens" in the Great Hall 7 p.m.

Friday: Open Mic in Huff's Lounge at 7 p.m.

Saturday: Annual Ball



Super Bowl parties and snacks for all

By Renee Currington
Campus Editor

This weekend is going to be one of the largest party weekends of the year for Americans everywhere.

The Super Bowl is a time when people tend to eat a lot of food and drink more alcohol, which also makes it one of the most dangerous weekends of the year.

This is why the Committee on Alcohol and Marijuana has

planned a safe new option for students who live in the dorms.

"Sober is sexy!" is the theme printed on plastic cups Housing and Residence Life is giving away to students.

The department is also giving away loads of free snacks like nachos and cheese, popcorn and Kool Aid so that every floor of every dormitory can have its own party.

"We want to provide an opportunity for students to celebrate the Super Bowl in a non-

alcoholic setting," said Emma Chambers, a residence hall manager.

The RAs, who are in charge of hosting these parties, will also have activities for students and games with chances to win prizes.

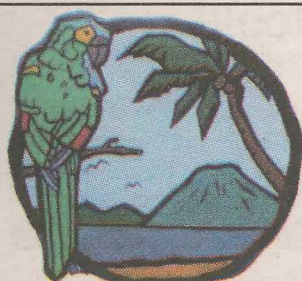
"We've given them the first step and now they can take it and run with it," said Chambers. "The RAs can do whatever is best for their halls and residence."

In the past, University

Centers had hosted a large Super Bowl party in the Memorial Student Center. However, one strategy involved in this new idea is to encourage stu-

dents to have smaller parties.

"It's a good opportunity for them to meet new students, especially for transfer students," said Chambers.



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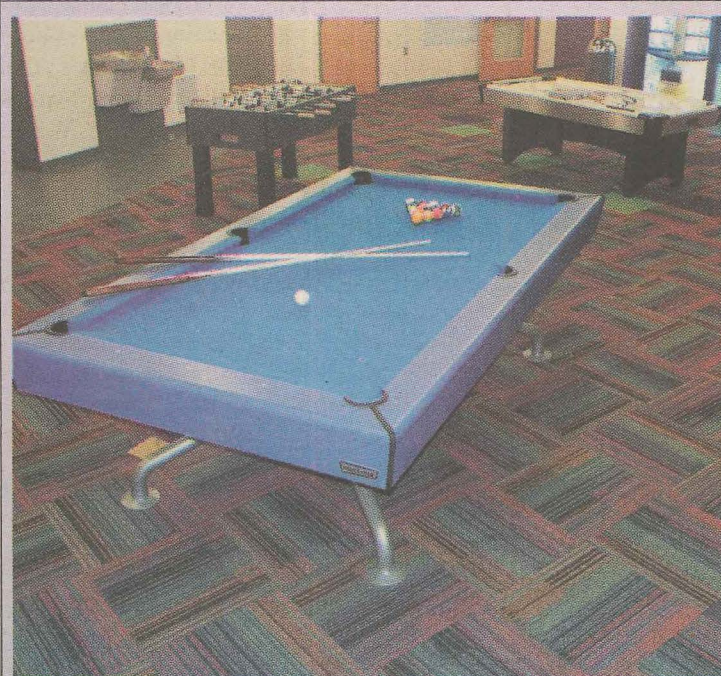
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New games at Red Cedar Hall



Lindsey Adams/Stoutonia

New amenities have been added to Red Cedar Hall this semester. Residents can now enjoy pool, foosball and air hockey on the ground level of the building.

Body / image

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"hidden" flaws after watching too much MTV and every other parade of the pinnacle of celebrity beauty—like an endless parade of all that is unattainable. It's hard to feel good about yourself when comparing yourself to everyone else; there's always going to be someone thinner and sexier than you are.

However, there are much more important qualities than physical attractiveness. Sexiness consists of much more than a nice ass; sexiness can be in one's sense of humor, musical, artistic and athletic ability, intelligence and personality.

"Throughout the years, I have come to believe that the development of positive self-esteem is the product of a strong group of supportive people and

having a well rounded personality," said Emily Burkart, a first-year interior design major.

Our worthiness as people doesn't depend on our appearance. And if you really can't change something, or change it to the point of your finicky satisfaction, you might as well just be okay with it and love yourself for who you are. If you love yourself, more people will be inclined to as well. It's easier to spend time with people who believe that they have value and are worthwhile than people who obviously don't think much of themselves and are willing to tear themselves and other people down or compromise their physical or mental health in chasing the beauty ideal.

There is a support group on campus, called "Body Talk" that's open to all students, men and women, who want to strengthen their body image and self esteem. They meet on Thursdays from 4:40 to 6 p.m. in Bowman Hall, room 425.



Cheaper by the Dozen 2 PG
3:10, 6:00, 8:00, 10:00 p.m.
Sat. & Sun. Mat 1:10 p.m., 3:10 p.m.

Memoirs of a Geisha
2:30 p.m., 6:30 p.m., 9:45p.m.
Sat. & Sun. Mat 2:00 p.m.
Will Not Play @ 2:50 p.m.

Fun with Dick & Jane PG-13
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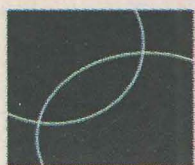
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A new "Superstar" may disturb



Justin Emry
Entertainment Writer

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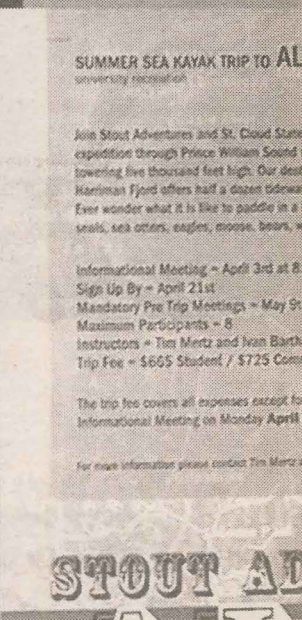
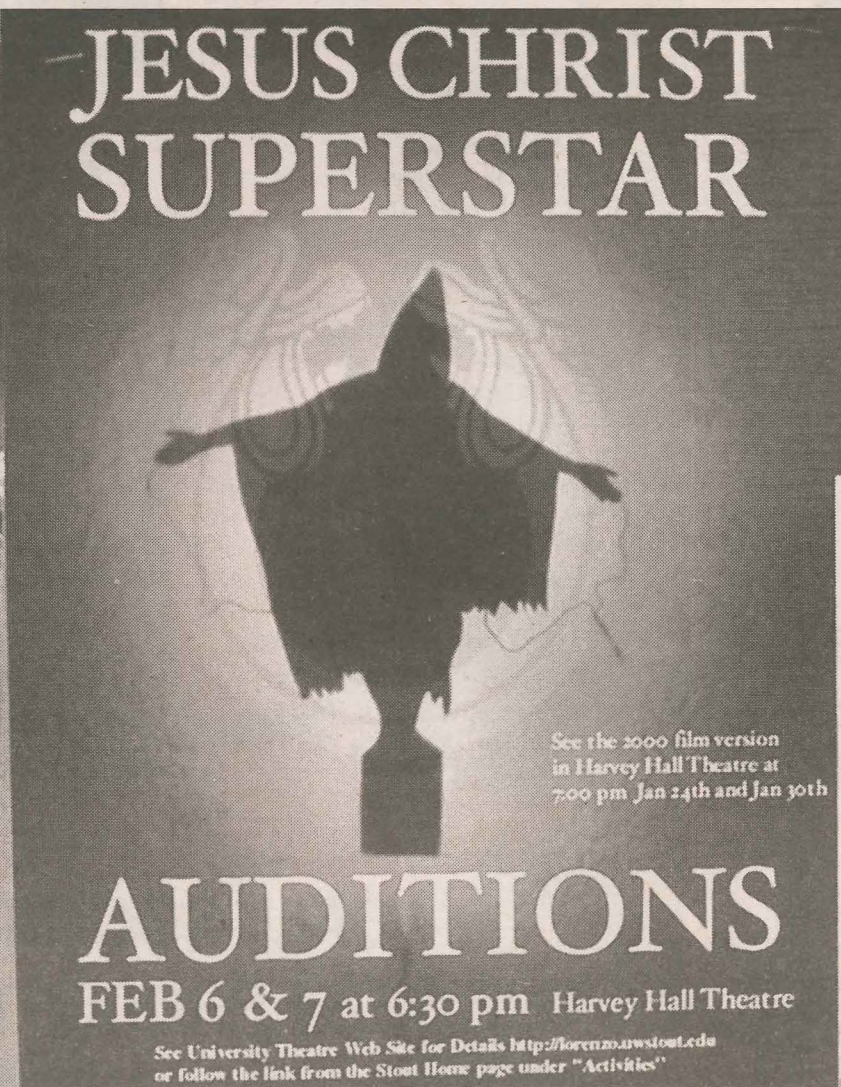
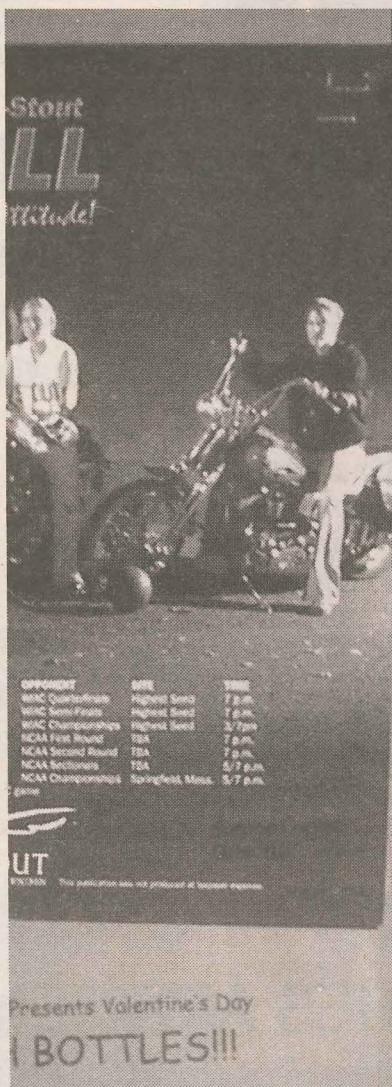
But if you've been looking at the bulletin boards lately, perhaps you've noticed the posters for the UW-Stout Drama Department's latest musical, "Jesus Christ Superstar" has a rather odd image on it.

What at first looks like a hooded Christ figure in silhouette is actually an image from the Abu Ghraib torture scandal.

Abu Ghraib was a former Iraqi prison that, under American occupation, has been converted to a sort of makeshift interrogation/prison facility run by American soldiers. Abu Ghraib is now the center of a major U.S. policy pitfall that started when photographs of beaten, naked prisoners—often stacked on top of each other, or made to look as if participating in sex acts—hit the mainstream news.

Some of these photographs show U.S. troops giving the thumbs-up and smiling proudly next to the bodies of badly beaten or even dead Iraqi prisoners.

Of these photographs, the most famous—used by "Jesus Christ Superstar" director Dr. James Miller in his posters—depicts a hooded prisoner standing blindfolded on top of a small vertical box with electrodes attached



If you'll look closely, the "Jesus Christ Superstar" poster has an unexpected image: the silhouetted figure of an Abu Ghraib prisoner is standing in for Christ. The similarities, and their possible implications, are disconcerting, to say the least.

to his hands which, the prisoner was told, would shock him terribly were he to fall off the box.

The most alarming aspect of this picture would be the disturbing likeness to Renaissance depictions of Christ's crucifixion.

Dr. Miller's rationale for using this image to advertise auditions for his play is that his interpretation of "Superstar" will explore the similarities between

the modern Middle East and the Middle East of biblical times.

"The story of 'Jesus Christ Superstar' is one which contains the theme of occupation and the struggle for identity," said Dr. Miller.

The original story took place in modern day Palestine/Israel. In biblical times, the Jewish people struggled to maintain their identity in the midst of a Roman occupation of their land.

"While many chose to rebel violently against the Romans, Christ became a figure of non-violence in a world of warring factions, bringing an unexpected gospel of peace which challenged this violence and the authorities" said Dr. Miller.

In the modern Middle East we see a similar conflict.

Two nations, Palestine and Israel, are fighting to secure their

homes and ways of life. Dr. Miller's adaptation of "Jesus Christ Superstar" asks the questions: what kind of fate would be bestowed upon a modern Christ-like figure and what would happen to someone preaching a gospel of forgiveness and nonviolence in our modern age?

Casting is open call on Feb. 6 and 7. Every audition must include a performance of a song.

Mabel Tainter has good stuff on the way



Natalie Rathmann
Entertainment Writer

The 2006 schedule is in full swing at the Mabel Tainter with many upcoming performances.

The Piper's Crow will be performing on Feb. 3. With sounds derived from Scotland and Ireland, there will be a rich variety of instruments consisting of bagpipes, fiddles, flutes and guitars. The four-member group consists of Laura MacKenzie, Dick Hensold, Zack Kline and Karen Mueller.

These established artists have plenty to offer. MacKenzie received the Minnesota Music Academy Awards in both Celtic vocals and instrumental music and has toured nationally with Lorie Line and the Pop Chamber Orchestra.

Hensold teaches small pipes all over the U.S. and Canada, and

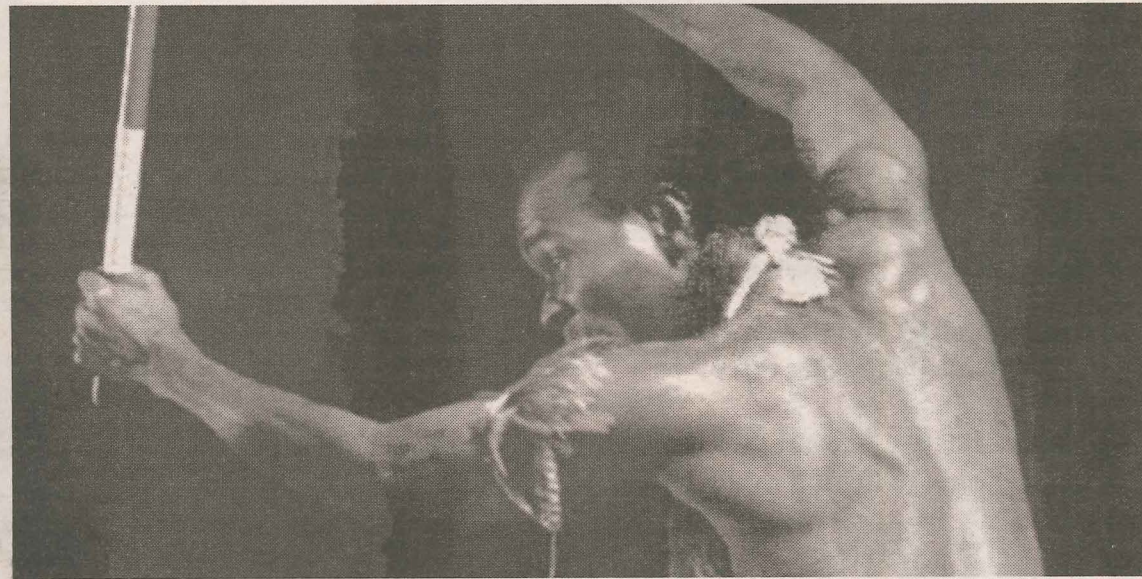
his recent projects include work at the Guthrie, Theatre de la Jeune Lune and Children's Theater.

Kline got his start as a street performer in Colorado and has been playing and performing for the past 16 years. He has performed with Sally Van Meter, Charles Sawtelle, Leftover Salmon and the Yonder Mountain String Band.

Mueller has 20 years of guitar experience and tours nationally as a solo performer. She has three acclaimed albums and performs with Katie McMahon, the original singer from "Riverdance."

For Feb. 4, the Mabel Tainter has booked Grammy-award winning guitarist Pat Donohue. Donohue has been passionate about the guitar since he was twelve. In his youth he played at various coffee houses and blues venues in the Twin Cities.

"I was very lucky to see some of the old-timers that aren't around anymore," said Donohue. "The University of Minnesota had summer concerts in the early 70s and I got to see Lightnin' Hop-



Submitted: Mabel Tainter

On Feb. 9, Neo Gato Dance and Music Ensemble will perform at the Great Hall, courtesy of the Mabel Tainter. Their style of dance, Capoeira Angola, is based on martial arts and acrobatic fighting.

kins, Big Joe Williams and Jesse Fuller. I wasn't shy about going up to them and trying to befriend them and find out what I could about playing the blues. By and large, they were very accommodating. Big Joe Williams invited me to his hotel and we wound up playing guitar together."

His style is influenced by

Duke Ellington, Miles Davis and Charlie Parker and merges sounds from jazz, blues and folk.

On Feb. 9, the Neco Gato Dance and Music Ensemble will be performing at the Great Hall. This ensemble combines martial art dance and music. Their style of dance is called Capoeira Angola and is based on martial arts with an

acrobatic fighting technique. There is a lot of motion in the performance, including back flips, handstands, head slides and other complex moves—in some ways, it's similar to a dance off. The purpose of the dance is to try and outdo your opponent with dance moves.

Tickets are available at the Mabel Tainter box office.

Willacy does well



Source: www.media.arbiteronline.com

BDP's first performer of the new semester, Austin Willacy, gave his audience a good time with some impressive covers and originals.



Mike Ryan

Entertainment Writer

Hailing from San Francisco, Austin Willacy kicked off the 2006 Blue Devil Productions concert season with marginal humor, above average originals and unexpected covers.

The talented performer played songs that required some pretty difficult vocalization and some fairly impressive guitar work.

In addition to his original tunes, Willacy covered some songs not normally heard during an acoustic set.

"My favorite was his rendition of Britney Spears' 'Toxic,'" said freshman Sean Wilson.

Also among Willacy's covers was the Kelly Clarkson song "Since U Been Gone," during which he requested that each crowd member "go through the motions of trashing your boyfriend's apartment."

Those present at the show seemed to enjoy Willacy's personable nature. Although some of

his humor could be wince-inducing, he at least made the attempt, and it was nice to see a performer make the effort.

He tried really hard to sound humble and softspoken—maybe he was—but it's possible he was trying too hard. His quoting "Anchorman" didn't help.

Willacy is currently touring the Midwest for the first time, after being fairly well established on the West Coast.

"I really like it here," said Willacy. "The people are nice and seem to really appreciate music."

As for UW-Stout and BDP, Willacy commented, "You guys have a really cool venue here: great acoustics, good crowd, very professional."

After his stay in Menomonie, Willacy will head south to Iowa, where he will continue his tour of colleges and small venues in an effort to establish his regional reputation.

Overall, although I would probably never buy an Austin Willacy CD, I would likely attend another of his shows. I would also like to hear him work with a full band.

I look forward to what the new year brings in music, and I greatly encourage the student body to continue supporting Blue Devil Productions.

MTV's "My Own" sucks. Big surprise.



Kyle Kingston and Matt Schubbe

Entertainment Experts

Editor's Note: "My Own" is an MTV show that allows certain celebrity-obsessed individuals the opportunity to date a reasonable (sort of) facsimile of their fantasy love.

How does this work? A would-be celebrity stalker watches several people audition and then, in theory, picks whomever s/he feels is closest to his/her desired celebrity. What's the criterion by which the person decides? Wisely, MTV has decided to leave that as open as possible to pander to as many shallow morons as possible.

K: As responsible journalists, we should consider two questions. First, is there entertainment value in watching what is essentially "The Dating Game" crossed with celebrity impersonators crossed with a bargain basement version of "American Idol"?

Second, what does this say about our society that a show like this actually exists and is watched regularly?

M: I'd say there is minimal entertainment value due to the performance aspect of the show. You mentioned that this is essentially a poor man's American Idol, and that is where the entertainment lies.

You get to see people fall flat on their face musically, and there's no Simon Cowell to intervene, or Ryan Seacrest for that matter.

K: I'd much rather forego answering that first question and instead describe which methods of torture I'd prefer to watching another episode of this show. Let's see, yes, I believe I'd rather have my eyes gouged out with sporks than watch a second episode, although to this date, I've watched four. What method of torture would you prefer, Matt?

M: Honestly, I'd like the tor-



Source: www.mtv.pl

You want Jessica Simpson? Well, you can't have her! But you can have someone sort of like her, thanks to MTV's "My Own." Oh joy.

ture device used on Carey Elwes in "The Princess Bride," the one that takes years off of your life. I'd have less time to actually watch the show then.

[From here, the conversation devolves into a contest of quotes from the above-mentioned film "The Princess Bride."]

K: Okay, let's get back to business and try and answer the second question. Has our society run amok through our obsession with celebrities? Is this show merely encouraging this kind of unhealthy, obsessive behavior, or do these poor ignorant fools deserve each other?

M: I think you just answered your own question.

K: Oops, so I did. Well, I suppose we should start wrapping things up. I guess the only important question left to ask is if you could be on this show, would you?

M: The only celebrity that I remotely resemble is Tom Green, and I'm pretty sure that no one wants "Their Own" Tom Green, except maybe Drew Barrymore at one point in her life.

K: I personally doubt I'd want to date anybody on the basis of the celebrity they resemble. I'd be afraid that during sex I'd call out the wrong name and I wouldn't be able to live with that kind of trauma. (If my girlfriend is reading this, I wouldn't do it anyway, because I love you very much.)

M: Well, since I don't have a girlfriend, I can freely expound on the topic of whom I would choose if I could have "My Own" version of a celebrity.

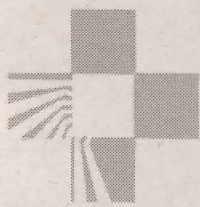
I'm hesitant to put myself in the category of a potential contestant on the show, but I'm being honest when I say that I would really, really like to have "My Own" Scarlett Johansson.

K: Out of curiosity, and I might regret this, why?

M: She's essentially better than me in every possible way. She's also accomplished much more in her life, being the same age as me, than I have, so it would almost be an accomplishment for me to actually date her. She's like the Bionic Woman... of acting.

K: Yeah, I was right; I did regret it.

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Friday, Feb. 3

- >Live Jazz, Shanghai Bistro, 6:30 p.m., Free.

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- >International Day at the Mall of America and Science Museum, Meet at bus b/w MSC and Library, 9:30 a.m., \$10.

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- >No Scheduled Events

Monday, Feb. 6

- >Auditions for Jesus Christ Superstar, Harvey Hall Theatre, 6:30 p.m., Free.

Tuesday, Feb. 7

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- >Auditions for Jesus Christ Superstar, Harvey Hall Theatre, 6:30 p.m., Free.

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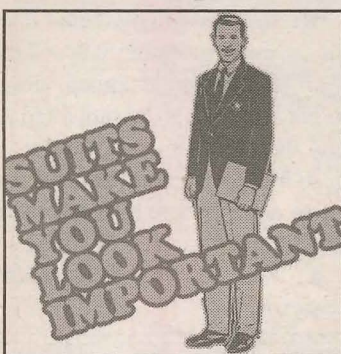
- >Alfresco Outing Club, Lower level of MSC-Cedarwoods Room, 8:00 p.m., Free.

Thursday, Feb. 9

- >Campus Crusade for Christ, AA 210, 7:30 p.m., Free.

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Evolution? Check elsewhere



What's it Worth?

JB: Maybe a rental, if you fast-forward through it.

WB: Nothing. Don't even buy the DVD.

Source: www.rottentomatoes.com

Apparently, vampires and werewolves are locked in mortal combat. Whoopie-doo. For all the fans of the original "Underworld," "Evolution" is everything you've been waiting for. Good thing the three of you got what you wanted, because all the rest of us got was a horrible movie.



Jarrod Burns and William Butchee

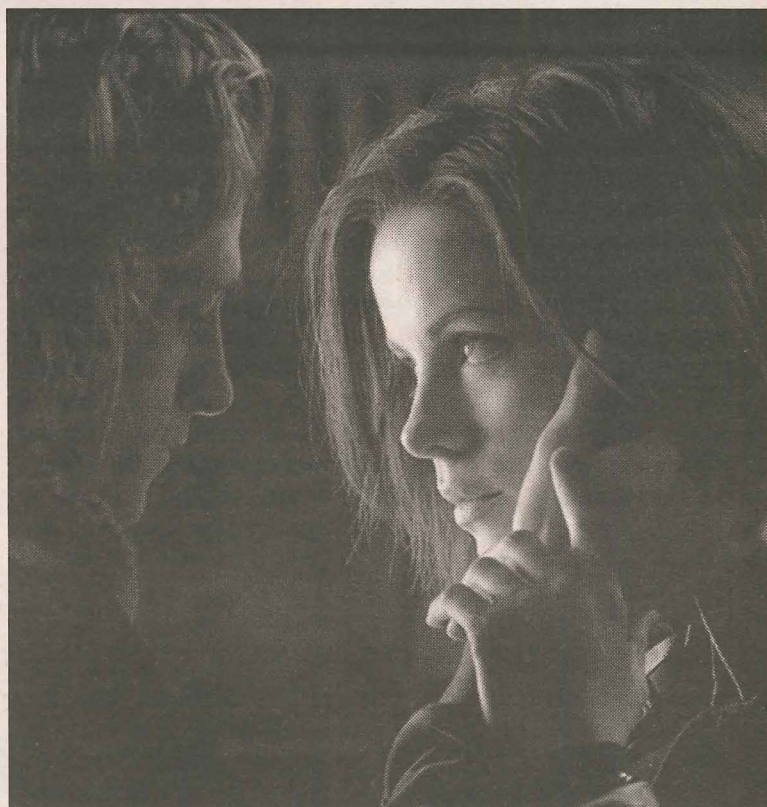
Entertainment Writers

"Underworld" followed the story of Selene, a vampire whose job of being a "death-dealer" entails killing off barbaric lycens (werewolves). That film introduced viewers to the eternal battle between vampires and lycens, and "Underworld: Evolution" brings new depth and dimension to the tale, though this will doubtfully be appreciated by anybody going to see it.

JB: "Underworld: Evolution" could be described as the sleeper hit of the year. I don't mean to say that this is an underestimated gem of a film, but actually that this film will put you to sleep faster than a "Lord of the Rings" marathon. Being the informed critics that we are, we first watched "Underworld" to be sure that we knew the important back-story that would be built upon in this sequel. The first movie proved to be just as much of a "sleeper" as its slumber-inducing sequel.

WB: You would think that after so many vampire movies, another one would need to prove itself unique just to be interesting. Sadly, adding werewolves, strange family bloodlines and long flashbacks just really doesn't do it. Since the "Blade" movies have taken care of the action front, "Underworld: Evolution" just becomes a boring monster mash with extra blood thrown in to cover the bad effects.

JB: Science fiction and fantasy action movies usually rely heavily on great visual effects, both in animatronics and computer graphics. "Underworld Evolution" seems to think it can be a success without putting forth any effort into these areas. The only thing that would have been worth seeing in this film are the few action and fight sequences, but the overly dark atmosphere is better at hiding the characters than making them look as badass as they think they are.



Source: www.rottentomatoes.com

WB: Despite not being able to see the characters, the set designs and locations all seemed to fit well within the "Underworld" universe. Rarely does the tone in the movie change from a static shade of blue, but oddly enough this actually helped the film. The acting is terrible but not actually necessary for a movie like this. Still, it's just sad to see a supposed action movie have worse dialogue than a 1980s fantasy movie.

JB: There are those who are over-obsessed with science fiction, superheroes or fantasy. The "Underworld" series caters to what I now know to be the actual dorkiest obsession of all: the vampire-

goth scene. The film will likely be entertaining only to those who have a frequent shopper card at Hot Topic and think that blood and lust should either be used in the same sentence or, worse yet, combined into one word.

WB: Vampire covens, lycens and death dealers didn't make sense to me when I watched the first "Underworld" movie and they still didn't when I saw it sadly re-explained again in this rough retrace of the original. I'm not sure why this sequel got made. But those of you who are tired, sleepy, bored, happy, regular and mortal might not make it to end of the movie with your eyes open.

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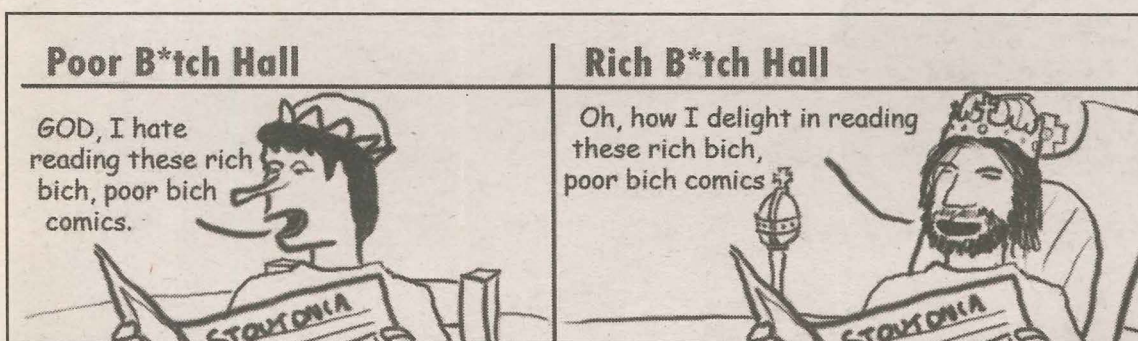
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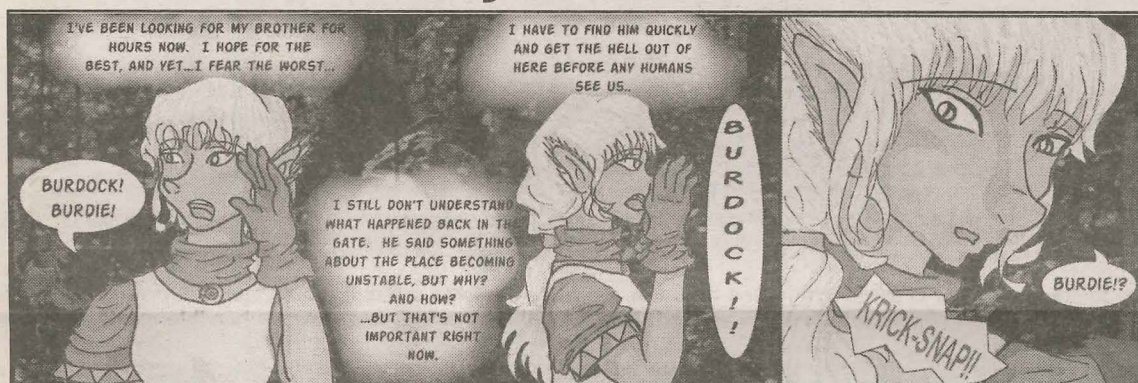
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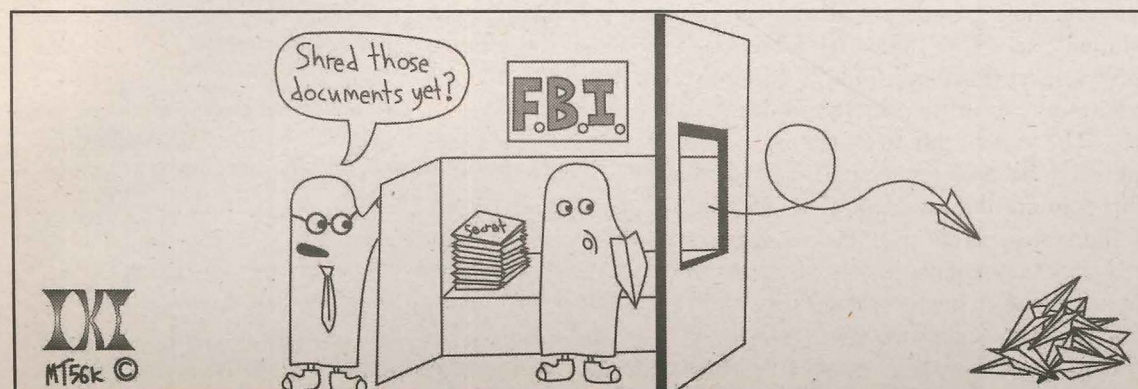
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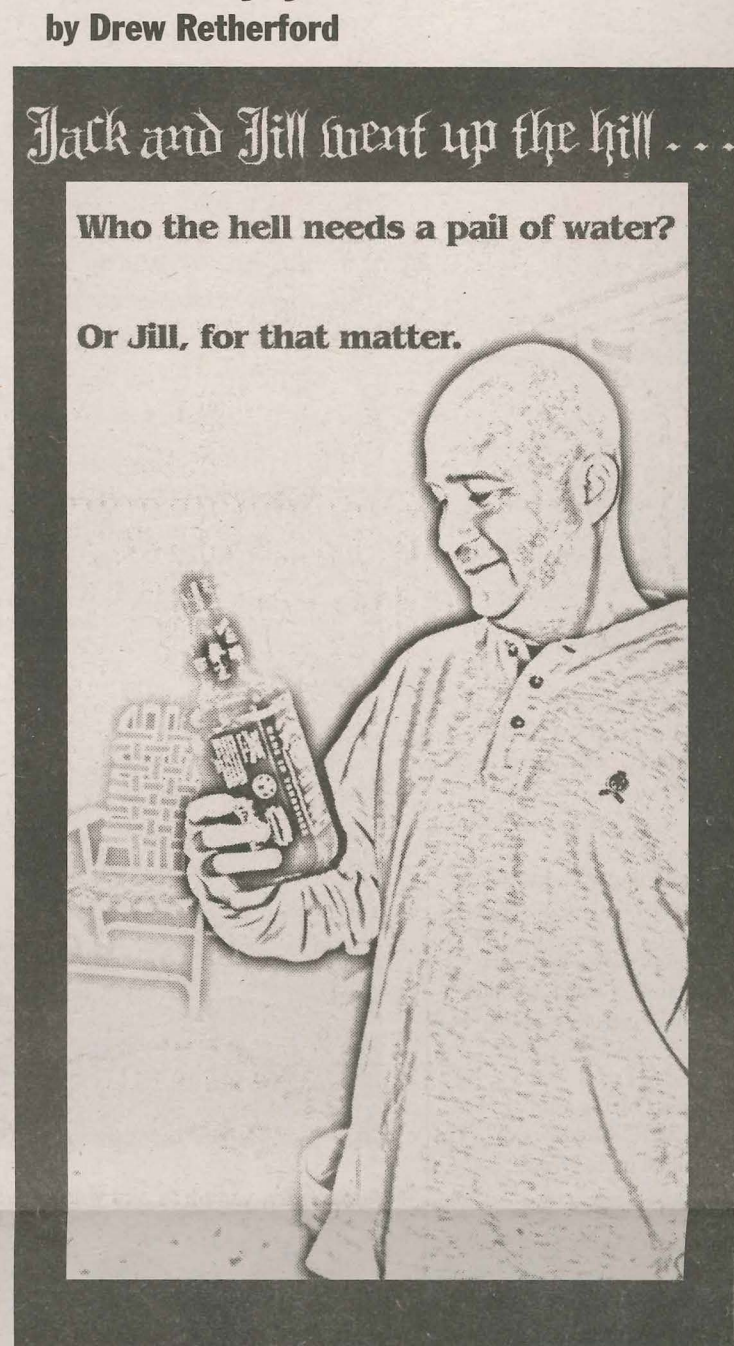
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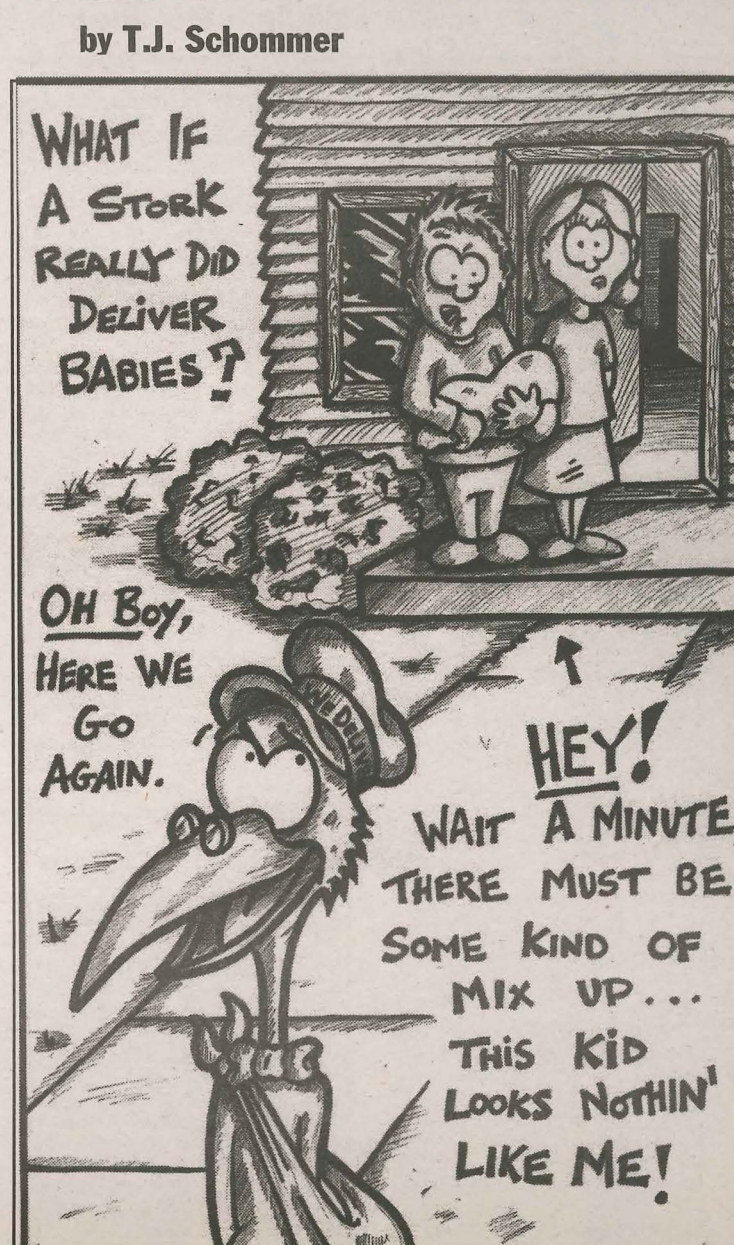
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Sports Briefs

By Jessica Boe
Sports Editor

On Jan. 28, 2006, the University of Wisconsin-Stout showcased the Blue Devils by hosting the UW-Stout Open. As a team, the Blue Devils savored nine first place awards.

Steven Leech began his collegiate career by winning two events. Leech ran the 55-meter hurdles in 7.97 seconds, tying for first and captured the long jump event, soaring 21'6.75". Ryan Kawski, a junior, proved to be multi-talented as he took first place in two events: the shot put (46-3.50) and the 4x200-relay team (1:32.62).

First place was captured by the following athletes as well: Derek Gonzenbach, 400 meter dash (50.66 seconds); Mark Kempen, 800 meter dash (2:00.11); Kendall Wade, high jump (6', 3.25"); Patrick Doty, pole vault (14-9); and Ryan Carpenter, triple jump (45'7").

Women Blue Devils were excited to open their season and have some promising members. Nikki Sims won first place in the triple jump, Jasmine Patzner placed third in the 55-hurdles (8.87 seconds), Bridgette Crozier placed third in the 5000 meter run (19 minutes, 4.68 seconds), and Kelly Schachtner took fourth in the shot put (35-4).

Watch as UW-Stout hosts the Warren Bowlus Open this Saturday, Feb. 4 at noon.

Blue Devils gymnastics are tough competitors and are proud

to announce Rhian Paulson as the Gymnast of the Week, an honor she earned upon capturing three first place ribbons against Gustavus Adolphus on Jan. 23.

Paulson and teammate Ashley Timm each scored personal bests on the vault. Paulson took honors on the floor exercise with an amazing 9.40 and took the all-around with a score of 35.55. The Blue Devils will travel to Hamline University Friday, Feb. 3.

In hockey, the Blue Devils fought against the Green Knights of St. Norbert College. Matt Koenig had 35 saves against the Green Knights, but this wasn't quite enough to take a win. The Green Knights' Ryan Jones had 300 scoreless minutes with his 21 saves.

UW-Stout will host the University of Wisconsin-Superior on Feb. 3 at 7:30 p.m. and will travel to St. Scholastica on Saturday, Feb. 4.

Women's basketball battled Whitewater on Jan. 28 in a game that showed the Blue Devil's determination. As the Blue Devils slipped behind the Warhawks by halftime, they continued to fight. Amanda Geissler scored three points at 13:59 and Sarah Miles added another three points, but in the end it wasn't enough when the Warhawks grabbed 5-of-8 free throws in the final minute.

Cheer the Blue Devils on as they host the University of Wisconsin-Oshkosh on Saturday Feb. 4 at 3 p.m.

Take the Blue Devil Sports Quiz!

1) How many goals has the Blue Devil hockey team scored this season?

- A) 70
- B) 41
- C) 98
- D) 102

2) Who is currently the leading scorer for the Lady Blue Devil basketball team?

- A) Lindsey Geissler
- B) Molly Hendricks
- C) Kelsey Duoss
- D) Savanah Oeltjen

3) How many points has the Blue Devil men's basketball team scored this season?

- A) 1452
- B) 1005
- C) 1325
- D) 978

4) What Blue Devil hockey player leads the team in power play goals?

- A) Andrew Stearns
- B) Andy Wiesner
- C) Justin Huth
- D) Mike Kautz

5) How many yards did the UW-Stout football team accumulate on average per game?

- A) 442.7
- B) 119.6
- C) 267.6
- D) 340.6

6) Who led the Blue Devil softball team in home runs during the 2005 season?

- A) Erin O'Connell
- B) Jackie Juan
- C) Kaela Wold
- D) Courtney Zafft

Answers: 1) A 2) C 3) C 4) D 5) D 6) A

STOUTONIA'S Athlete OF THE Week

The Blue Devils (15-4, 8-3) proved that they had what it took to take charge on January 28, as they defeated the University of Wisconsin-Whitewater, 80-71. The Blue Devils were on fire from the line as they scored on seven of their 11 free throws.

Jacob Nonemacher led the team in scoring with a total of 20 points. Nonemacher also snatched 11 rebounds. On January 25 UW-Stout beat out Eau Claire, 59-47 in a home game. Nonemacher scored 13 points and had 10 rebounds after leaving the bench.

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Led the Blue Devils to a win with 20 points and 11 rebounds.



Jacob Nonemacher
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Blue Devil Scoreboard

Hockey (12-9)

The hockey team lost 5-1 against St. Norbert on Jan. 28

Next Game: Feb. 3 hosting Superior



Men's Basketball (16-4)

The basketball team defeated UW-River Falls 63-49

Next Game: Feb. 4. at UW-Oshkosh



Women's Basketball (13-6)

The women's basketball team defeated UW-River Falls 64-56

Next Game: Feb. 4 hosting UW-Oshkosh



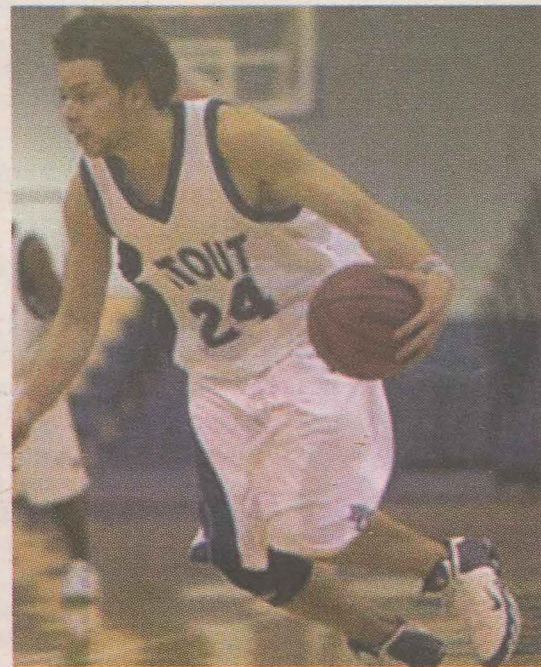
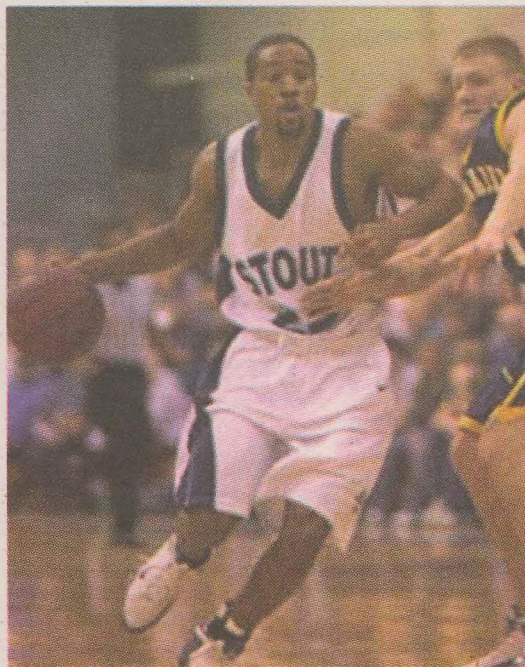
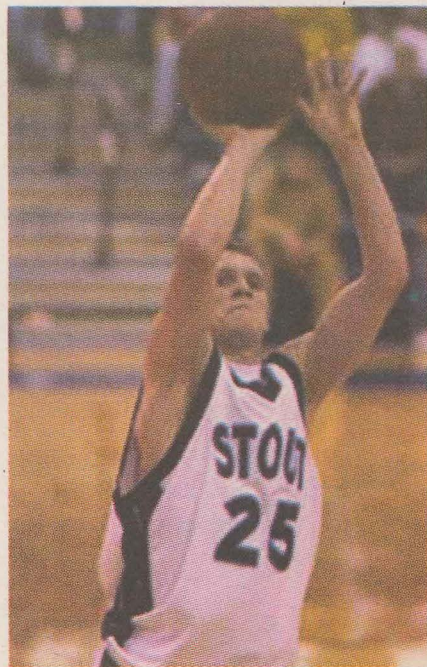
Gymnastics (0-4)

The gymnastics team was defeated by Gustavus Adolphus on Jan. 23

Next Meet: Feb. 3 at Hamline University



Surviving the Storm



Photos Courtesy of Sports Information

The Blue Devil's basketball team currently sits on top of the conference with a record of 9-3. The team has triumphed over adversity and injuries to be on top of one of the best conferences in the nation. With an 16-4 record overall, the hopes are high as the team closes out the season.

By Wesley Simonis
Sports Writer

With only four games left in the regular season, the University of Wisconsin-Stout men's basketball team has found itself in a rather good position.

The Blue Devils currently sit on top of the Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (WIAC) with a record of 9-3 in conference play, as well as an astounding 16-4 overall record.

However, you won't hear satisfaction in the voices of players and coaches of this team, who know that so much more can come out of this already great season.

"We need to continue to play well," said head coach Ed Andrist. "If you have an off night and do not bring your 'A' game; kiss it goodbye. These coaches and teams are too good."

Just how good are the other teams in the WIAC? Consider the following: Six of the nine teams in the conference have a winning record this season, not

to mention the University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point, who was last season's NCAA Division III champion.

According to Andrist, we could be looking at the best conference in the country, and right now the Blue Devils are on top of it.

"We have survived," said Andrist. "This is the best conference in NCAA Division III basketball in the U.S. and survival is the first rule. We have found a way to win on the road, 5-1 on the road is unheard of in our league."

Although the team has survived thus far, they are not out of the woods yet. The final four games of the season are WIAC opponents, and winning those games could be crucial for seeding in the upcoming conference tournament, and determine whether or not the Blue Devils are regular season conference champs.

It has been another solid year statistically for the Blue Devils who are shooting just un-

der 50 percent from the field and have out scored their opponents by an average of seven points per game.

Perhaps the strongest suit of the Blue Devils team has been the sharing of the ball. The team has four players who average more than 10 points per game.

"You won't see anybody averaging a huge amount of points because everybody on the floor is a scoring threat," said Jacob Nonemacher. "We don't panic if the momentum or score isn't exactly in our favor, we know we're the better team and can take control in the closing minutes if we have to."

Nonemacher is one of many Blue Devils who has stepped up this season. He is currently second on the team in scoring, averaging 11.4 points per game.

Sophomore Ryan Stangl currently leads the Blue Devils in scoring, averaging 12.9 points per game.

As the season draws to a close, the Blue Devils will face some opponents who got the best

of them earlier in the season.

On February 11, the team will host UW-Stevens Point. The last meeting between these two teams ended in a double overtime battle with the Pointers getting the win 89-84.

In the final game of the regular season, the Blue Devils will travel to the University of Wisconsin-La Crosse to take on the Eagles. UW-Stout will try to avoid the sweep as they were defeated 61-59 on January 4.

According to Nonemacher, the Blue Devils are ready for the challenge.

"The team goals are to win the conference in the regular season and tournament," said Nonemacher. "Then to go on and win the national title. I believe we can do that. The WIAC is the biggest, toughest, most physical league in the country; when you make it past that you have a good chance."

The Blue Devils will host the University of Wisconsin-Oshkosh on Feb. 4 at 5 p.m.

Blue Devils off to speedy start

By Ross Ehrenberg
Sports Writer

Looking forward to a promising season, the University of Wisconsin-Stout track hosted their track open last Saturday.

The men's team alone captured a hefty nine first place ribbons. UW-Stout's Steve Leech earned two of the nine ribbons, one coming from a photo finish tie in the 55 meter hurdle event.

Leech's second ribbon win came from his 21' 6" long jump that proved to propel him far over the competition.

"I think I've set a fairly good standard for my expectations this year, but I'm always looking to improve," said Leech.

Excited about the season opener, Leech is definitely looking to make a name for himself here at UW-Stout.

"Our team is looking promising, and many veterans have good things to say about this year's roster," said Leech. "Stout's the underdog, and we're coming with something to prove. But to do this we need to be on point."

With a positive attitude, who knows what he can do to help accomplish goals this year and in years to come.

Upcoming track star Derek Gonzenbach won the 400 meter dash, while Mark Kempen took the 800 meter dash. The field athletes were also phenomenal. Ryan Kawaski snagged a first place by contributing to a winning 4x200 relay team.

Not only did Ryan run a great "leg" in the relay, he also threw a winning shot put (with a throw of 46' 3") to bring home the first. Kendall Wade and Patrick Doty



Photo Courtesy of Sports Information

The Blue Devil track team hosted to the UW-Stout Open. Both teams had a solid performances and look forward to a great season.

also brought home firsts; Wade in the high jump and Doty in the pole vault.

And finally, the triple jumpers for both the men's and women's teams are conquering with bounds and leaps as Ryan Carpenter and Nikki Sims earned two first place titles for two runs (equivalent to six jumps).

Both coaches are looking

forward to a proud and memorable season. Looking ahead, the men's and women's track and field will be hosting the Warren Bowlus Open on Saturday, Feb. 4 at noon. The following Saturday they will travel to Northfield, Minnesota for the Border Battle.

The Blue Devils will wrap up their home schedule on Friday, Feb. 17 at 4 p.m.

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Kind speaks about student aid cuts

By Lindsey Schuldt
News Editor

On Monday, Feb. 6, Congressman Ron Kind spoke at the University of Wisconsin-Stout about the recent budget cuts in the Deficit Reduction Bill (DRB).

The bill was passed on Wednesday, Feb. 1, by the House of Representatives with a 216-214 vote.

"I feel this was a misplacement of priorities," said Kind in reference to the passing of the DRB. "It is alarming and concerning that we're losing support for education."

The DRB cut more than \$12 billion in financial aid for students nationally, which will cause Wisconsin students an average of \$5,700 more for four years of schooling.

Kind mentioned that he was excited to hear President Bush talk about the importance of education in his recent State of the Union speech; however, after

the DRB passed, he questioned the president's meaning behind his words.

"It's time for the action to back up the words," said Kind.

Before passing the DRB, student loans, including the most common Stafford loans, had a variable rate of interest that would be capped at 6.5 percent. Now, the interest rates will be allowed to raise up to 8.5 percent.

In addition to the raise of interest on student aid, the origination fee will also be higher. The origination fee is the amount of money it takes to process student loans. This amount was raised by the DRB from 3 to at least 4 percent.

This amount can be changed in the next fiscal year, but all students will have to suffer the consequences of the bill for at least the next year.

"The House of Representatives has completed the largest raid on student aid in history," said Luke Swarthout,

PIRG Higher Education Associate. "At a time when college costs continue to rise and students are going deeper into a financial hole, Congress has mistakenly decided to use students and families to pay for other priorities."

The \$12.7 billion is supposed to be used to help reduce the deficit, but Kind noted the irony in the DRB is that after the cuts are made, the deficit will actually get bigger than it was to begin with.

"I feel this is a way to mask the size of the next tax cuts," said Kind concerning the spending of the money.

Bigger tax cuts will be given to the 1 percent of the wealthiest people in our country this year. There will also be \$15 billion in tax breaks for those in the oil industry.

Meanwhile, campus-based aid will still be at a standstill.

"Campus based aid at UW-Stout includes the Federal Perkins Loan, Federal Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grant and the Federal Work-Study Program," said Beth Resech, the financial

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One Third of parents have not saved any money for their children's college education and expect their children to pay for themselves.

Citizen of the year

Chancellor Sorensen is given big award

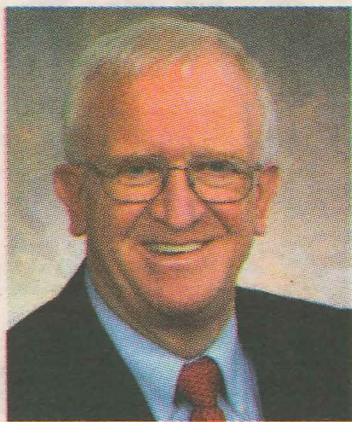
By Casey Nold
News Writer

Chancellor Charles Sorensen of the University of Wisconsin-Stout was awarded the Menomonie Area Chamber of Commerce Citizen of the Year. This award is the highest honor given from the Menomonie Chamber of Commerce.

The chancellor received this award because of his continuous community and service involvement. The chamber of commerce thought he continually put community and academic goals above his own in order to achieve growth for UW-Stout and the Dunn county area.

"Those that really deserve this are the fine faculty and staff at UW-Stout and the gifted and dedicated administrators that make this job a pleasure," stated Sorensen. "I am very pleased and very humbled by this honor."

Sorensen has always been chiefly concerned with the students at UW-Stout and has made his decisions based on that principle. He has been an outstanding leader for not only the school, but also for the community for more than a decade.



file photo
Sorensen's daughter and granddaughter were flown in for the big ceremony unbeknownst to the chancellor.

Many of his coworkers and friends in the staff have appreciated his dedication and believe that is what has brought UW-Stout to be what it is today.

"Those of us within the campus community have been witness to the chancellor's visionary leadership, and it is good to see that leadership honored on a community level with the highest honor that can be awarded to a citizen," stated Ryan Wilson, the deputy director of university relations.

"It speaks not only of his

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Student leads nationally

By Lindsey Schuldt
News Editor

Jeff Keenan, a University of Wisconsin-Stout student, earned the big achievement of becoming a national leader when he was elected as a national representative to the board of the Association of Outdoor Recreation and Education (AORE) near the end of last year.

"This is quite an honor," said Tim Mertz, Stout Adventure coordinator. "The University Recreation is very proud of Jeff's achievement."

AORE allows students, as well as professionals, to address issues common to university, community, military and other non-profit outdoor recreation and education programs for students.

"My job is to communicate

the needs of the students to the Board of Directors (BOD). AORE is roughly half student members," said Keenan. "Since I started, I have set up a network of regional student reps to give me feedback. My plans are to communicate more with the students. There are many opportunities for them such as awards and scholarships."

AORE also works to preserve the natural environment and encourage the promotion of outdoor recreation and education among each other.

"Jeff is one of those rare student employees that provides passion and dedication to all of his work," said Mertz. "He is a true leader."

Keenan is a student manager for Stout Adventures and the president of the Stout Association of Outdoor Recreation and Education (SAORE).

"I look forward to representing UW-Stout at the national level and giving back to an organization that has given me so much," said Keenan.



Courtesy: Tim Krueger
Keenan has spent much of his time at UW-Stout involved in SAORE and plans to continue his leadership at a national level.

Students show their support



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(left to right) Oriana Zens, Juile Brickner, Morgan Olson, David Rock and Dan Eaton, from the UW-Stout College Republicans, held a rally to support their troops in response to the Women in Black anti-war protest on the corner of Main and 2nd St. in front of Bowman Hall.

More money

By Kristie Wilson
News Writer

Thousands of dollars in contingency funds from the Stout Student Association (SSA) are ready to be given away to student organizations, but the deadline to apply is Feb. 17.

At the beginning of each semester, all recognized organizations are notified from the financial affairs director that money is available to them. From that point, they will have about two weeks to complete all the required forms needed to receive contingency funds.

Organizations can go online, fill out the forms and e-mail them to the SSA financial affairs director. The forms must be filled out and sent by the deadline. After the organization applies, they must make sure to sign up for a hearing that will take place on Feb. 21.

The organization can sign up for the hearing outside the SSA office, located in the lower level of the Memorial Student Center. At the hearing, two representatives from the organization must present their proposal.

"We try to decide right away who gets the money and decisions will be made by Feb. 28 at the latest," said Quentin Lenz, the SSA's current director of financial affairs.

Contingency funds are available for any recognized organization to apply for extra money needed for things such as special events or trips. They can apply for single, cooperative, or travel event sponsorship.

"They are a second chance to get funding for an organization. In our case, we have three times the amount of people coming to laser ball then we did last year," said Kevin Thurk, the vice president of the UW-Stout paintball club. "We need some funding for equipment, such as laser balls, due to the rising interest in our club."

There are some guidelines that the organizations must reach to receive the contingency funds. These guidelines are used to assist administrators and students when deciding who will receive the Segregated University Fees (SUF), which are designated fees for various student services and organizations. Some of the inappropriate SUF expenditure:

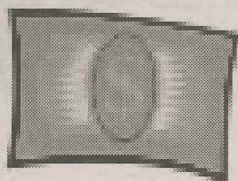
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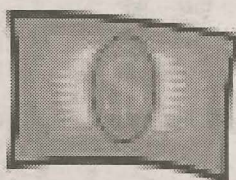


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Kind / comes to UW-Stout to answer questions

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aid director. "They are called campus based programs because the Department of Education allocates the dollars for each of these programs to post secondary schools, which then distribute the aid to their financially needy students."

"Most students do not realize that these decisions that were made will impact them immediately," said Kind.

In order to prevent the loans from being charged at the higher rates, some students may try to consolidate their loans so that they are all at the same interest level. However, with the new bill passing, this may no longer be a possibility.

"UW-Stout students, the

university, and the surrounding community could be negatively affected by a proposed change in the federal formula used to determine the amount of campus based aid UW-Stout would receive," said Resech. "The proposed change is contained in the Reauthorization of the Higher Education Act, scheduled to be taken up again in the second session of the 109th Congress."

Bonnie Falkner, an accountant for UW-Stout, recently finished her education and is now paying back those loans that helped her through school. Her daughter also recently graduated from college and they decided to consolidate their loans to try and keep the payments lower. The payments

are still nearly \$400 per month.

"You don't know the net affect until you experience it," said Falkner.

Kind said that students should take an interest in the DRB and other budget cuts by e-mailing their representatives as well as the White House. All e-mails are monitored and if enough come in, anyone can make a change.

"America is number one in the global economy, and we can stay number one if we make aggressive investments in education, innovation and future generations," said Kind.

"President Bush said as much [in the State of the Union Address] but the Congressional majority showed that they have no credibility on the issue. At a time when education is at a

premium and we need to be growing the economy we should be making it easier, not harder, for students to get a college education."

For more information on current loan rates and different types of student loans, students can visit http://studentaid.ed.gov/students/publications/student_guide/2005-2006/english/types-perkinsandstaffordloans.htm.

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anything, as long as it is within the guidelines," said Lenz.

Organizations may also look up more of these policies on the SSA Web site. Find the directors link and there will be a drop down box with the financial policy 20 and 37. This is also where students can find the contingency proposal form.

Contingency funds can

be very useful for student organizations in need for some extra money, and SSA is glad to give it away.

"If we don't spend the money, it can be taken away by the state," said Lenz.

For more information or to get answers to any questions, contact the SSA office at 232-2100 or e-mail Lenz at ssafinancialaffairs@uwstout.edu.

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commitment to the campus, but to his commitment to the community as a whole."

Prior to coming to UW-Stout, Sorensen was a historian, teacher, academic dean and academic vice president and is now the sixth leader of our rising prestigious college. Since his leadership here, UW-Stout was awarded the Malcolm Baldrige Award in higher education.

Sorensen has been part of the governor's Blue Ribbon Commission on 21st Century Jobs and he also served as a public member of the Special

Committee on the University and Economic Development, showing his deep willingness to strengthen Wisconsin's economic future.

The chancellor's efforts have made UW-Stout nationally recognized for outstanding work in technology transfer and have promoted economic development statewide. His work has given great headway for future success at our school and put hope in the continuous growth for Dunn County and the economy.

The chancellor is known for throwing gatherings at his home, warmly welcoming his

fellow staff to ensure a healthy community here at UW-Stout. His involvement shows his deep care for students and staff at UW-Stout.

"From what I gather of him, he seems to be a very nice man with a very good sense of goal orientation," said Mitch Bergen, a freshman majoring in construction management.

Chancellor Sorensen has brought new ideas to UW-Stout through his years of studies and many feel he has helped local economy. Students look to him as a role model for successful future endeavors.

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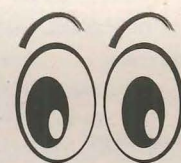
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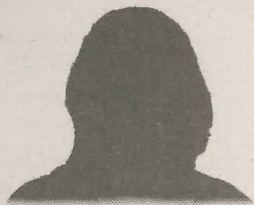
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Preview days just a distraction



Staff Editorial

The Stoutonia Staff

If you think back to before you started attending the University of Wisconsin-Stout, there were probably a number of reasons you chose to come here over another school.

One of the things that may have had an influence on your decision could have been one of the "Campus Preview Days."

These are scheduled days each semester when prospective students and their parents can come to take a

tour of the campus, meet program directors or instructors of a major and ask any questions they may have about college life.

It is a way for them to see what the campus is like and to get a feel for the area in general.

But what do students now attending UW-Stout think of these preview days?

Many seem to think that they aren't much more than just a waste of time.

A lot of students that attend UW-Stout either live in or near Wisconsin.

There are plenty of students that never visited before being accepted but chose this school for reasons other than how the campus looks, such as the degrees offered.

It is harder to ask questions in the larger groups, so maybe it would be better if they were smaller.

Some think that the tours are boring and the tour guides don't always know as much as they should.

Students also aren't sure how they should act around all the folder-bearing high

schoolers and their parents.

Should we act friendly towards them, or appear busy and studious? Is it now our job as students attending UW-Stout to aid in recruiting more people to come here?

More than anything, it seems that things just get kind of awkward when the groups come around.

People either put on their best face or completely ignore the tours. Neither of these things represent the

school well. Students aren't always walking around as happy as they can possibly be, but they don't ignore everyone else either.

Showing off for the groups can prove to be quite entertaining. Talking loudly enough so the entire group can hear about last night's drinking escapade is one way to get their attention. Although that isn't exactly the image we want to send out to everyone either.

The most embarrassing is when they come into your dorm room to look around or come into the weight room.

It's like we are a bunch of zoo animals being studied to make a decision about whether or not this is the right school to be at.

At the same time, for some, the tour may be the deciding factor in which school they choose to go to. So in this case, having them around is a small price to pay.



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Mutual trust with government needed



Michael Graney
Columnist

The idea of a perfect system immune to any type of security issues is an impossible dream in any society.

It is up to people to be vigilant in and of themselves to maintain a semblance of security. There is another aspect in security that few people actually talk about: trust.

If we all truly wanted security above all else, we would live in a police state as described in George Orwell's novels, giving up our freedoms. If we value our freedoms on a basic level we are inherently insecure.

On a basic level, we trust people every day to obey certain laws. We don't expect to walk down the street and suddenly become attacked by a person who is unknown to them.

We trust that when something is said in confidence be-

tween a doctor and a patient, it won't go out on the public news or appear on a Web site saying "XYZ has herpes, so be wary."

We have a tendency to expect that while in our homes, making a call to a friend won't be listened in on without a warrant. We expect to have the ability to voice our opinions.

Those are all things that come from trust. A prerequisite to trust is a level of respect.

As individuals in society, we expect our government to respect our rights. We expect our elected officials to listen to our concerns and ideas about how to make things better. We have a most basic expectation that our elected representatives actually represent the majority of us.

The government also has to respect us. Any government's primary responsibility is to serve its citizens. A government that fails at that goal is due to be changed or overthrown and replaced with something better.

That is why governments die. Governments forget their part in the social contract (in the United States of America, the federal and individual states'

constitutions). The sign of governmental failure is subtle at first.

People begin to complain that the government doesn't care about them. People get frustrated with needs not being met. They get tired of being relegated to the last need. This frustration leads to an anger and eventual hopelessness about the governmental system actually working, which can lead to violent revolutions.

The president says he will uphold the constitution of this land as any president's primary duty. The legislatures and judges carry out that same type of oath. Security is everyone's responsibility, not just the government.

When a hole is found in a system, it should be examined and fixed, if it is worth fixing. Weapons don't add to security, only trust and respect for other people and their property can. Trying to keep something secure is pointless unless all the people involved agree on the rules and processes established.

Secrecy shows an inherent lack of trust or respect. However, with the greed motivation

prevalent in modern society, it has become the goal of everything. People gain power by being secretive about true motivations.

By keeping programs and methods used secret, our current president has shown lack of both respect and trust for the people who have elected him. He is able to dangle a carrot in front of the media to get them to say what he wants, and doesn't answer their questions.

If one has written articles pointing out faults within an aspect of this administration, the administration won't talk to those journalists anymore.

This forces uninformed and biased fluff pieces to appear in order to try and get some truth and information out. In the end, who holds the government accountable? We do.

All of us have a responsibility to not only respect and trust each other and the government but have the exact same right to demand that the government trust and respect us.

If we can't trust and respect each other, our system is broken and impossible to fix.



Letters to the Editor

If you wish to submit a Letter to the Editor, letters can be sent to stoutonia@uwstout.edu. Letters must be no longer than 250 words and must be submitted by 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday in order to run in that week's issue.

It's up to you

After reading Lindsey Schuldt's articles, I felt compelled to write in.

I feel no need to defend Bush or Ms. Schuldt, but I feel I should point out that the reason Lindsey is so upset is understandable. She is seeing financial means for education fundamentally stripped away. Is it the president's fault? Maybe, but so what? What are you going to do about it? It's now your problem.

If your parents can't afford to pay for your college, and the government is no help, there is one alternative. Sure I'm up on my recruiting

podium right now, but it does seem that the military is the only one who still can and will help a student in need.

Right now, a college-bound or enrolled student can receive free tuition or student loan repayment and Montgomery G.I. Bill through the Wisconsin Army National Guard.

That right there is enough to get you through the tough, AKA "Ramen" times. You want more incentive?

Most students will qualify for an enlistment bonus of anywhere from \$10,000-20,000 through May. Who needs Big Daddy Bush when you've got Uncle Sam?

So while some of you think

your options run out when the financial aid does, there is still help if you want it. If you truly value your education, you can step up and take what is available. Or, you can complain that the government is forcing you out of school. Your call.

SGT Matthew Tracy

Corrected views

Why are you mad at the president for your lack of financial preparation before coming to UW-Stout? There are programs where your college tuition can and will be paid for, but it takes hard work. You seem to be the type of person that thinks college is an entitlement, not a privilege. For two years of service to my country, I was rewarded with enough money to pay for college and housing.

Your views on women's rights and minorities: people of color in top White House were practically nonexistent during the Clinton Years.

The president cannot control oil prices: I think Jimmy

Carter tried that once.

Social Security and Medicare: That is what a 401K or IRA's are for.

Environment: look who has done the most for economic growth and environmental stewardship. The EPA was not started by Democrats. The National Forest Program was started by a Republican.

Financial Aid: not the government's problem

Economy: unemployment is at historic lows. What's your beef?

Like other libs. Lindsey, you blame others for your lack of planning. Life is not supposed to be easy.

Do your homework next time so you will be able to give an educated, not moronic opinion.

I don't agree with everything our president is doing. I also don't think "everything" he is saying is a lie.

Remember, Bill did not have sexual relations with that woman.

Scott Jungmann
BFA 1994

Two sides to Valentine's Day



Matt Schubbe
Columnist

"What's love got to do with it? What's love, but a second hand emotion?"

What does that song even mean? I've never understood it, nor have I understood the polarizing views associated with Valentine's Day. What is it about this holiday that either makes people go overboard with vomit-inducing devotion to V-day's traditions or conversely hate the holiday so much that they give people they see walking around with flowers a dirty look?

The arguments for either side of this heart-shaped equation are convincing in their own rights.

On the one hand, the people who love and embrace Valentine's Day want to show the one they love how special they are and shower them with an innumerable amount of teddy bears dressed as cupids, or "love bandits," or give them some mysteriously unlabeled chocolates.

They feel this is the day to go that extra mile for someone that means a lot to them. But therein lies the problem that bothers those on the other end of the spectrum.

People who despise Valentine's Day feel as if it's just an excuse to sell sentiment and the greeting cards that produce sentiment. Subscribers to this view on the day of love believe that if you truly love someone, you shouldn't always let them know it.

You shouldn't have to set one day aside to let them know how great they are if you show them all the time. Ironically, people that offer up this statement usually do not have a date for Valentine's Day, but don't remind them of that.

They'll only scoff and say that even if they had a date tonight that it wouldn't mean much, if anything. Anyone who would readily go out on such a night must be desperate and caving in to the manufactured feelings of this holiday.

But how do I feel? I don't know if anyone reading this really cares. I was hoping to come away from this with some new understanding of a part of our culture, or at least a date for Valentine's Day, but as of yet, neither of those things have happened.

I don't think I really have an opinion on Valentine's Day, actually, and spend most of my time caught between one of the two extremes.

So, what do I do about it? I still have no idea. But maybe what I'll do is take the middle road on this one. I'll give some girl I like a Venus Fly Trap on Feb. 14 and leave her to figure out the rest.

Tough competition: chocolate versus sex



Lindsey Schuldt
News Editor

I've heard that eating large amounts of chocolate has the same chemical effect on your body as having sex.

It's one of those things that makes you go, "Hmm ..."

So the battle begins.

Round one: The basics.

When I eat large amounts of chocolate I find myself feeling bloated, guilty, lazy, thirsty and slightly sick to my stomach.

When I have sex I feel satisfied, light headed, tingly, thirsty and physically, as well as, emotionally exhausted.

Winner: sex.

Round two: the stress factor.

When I get stressed out I can buy large amounts of chocolate at the store and save them

for these special occasions, giving me just the amount of pleasure I need to forget about the stress and continue with my daily routine.

If I want to release myself with sex, I can't just go to my cupboard and take it out, using it for what I need and then getting up and continuing on with prior duties.

Winner: chocolate.

Round three: health.

Eating mass amounts of chocolate will eventually expand my waistline which would

probably complicate my ever having sex.

In which case I would have to rely on the chocolate for the chemical effects of sex.

Having sex supposedly helps to reduce stress and is part of a healthy life style. It actually burns calories and gives you instant satisfaction.

Winner: sex.

I guess it wasn't really a total knock out, but until they make chocolate men that you can store in the cupboard and have sex with, I think sex wins.

Tips to becoming a smart investor



Shawn Peter
Columnist

Investing in stocks can be fun, educational and most importantly, can increase the investment amount with returns.

After working countless hours during high school, I built up my savings account for college. Investing a little bit of that was important, so I became interested in stocks.

It wasn't thousands, but it was a sizable amount. Three years later, a few of the stocks have doubled or tripled in key industries.

Again, I want to insert the disclaimer that I am not a financial advisor by any means, I am not responsible for your investment accounts, and I encourage you to do further research so you make smart decisions.

The following information

is from my past experience and will hopefully assist in that task.

Over a short period of time, I began to research and analyze the trends of key industries that I was interested in. They included railroads, energy, computer related, brewers and luxury items.

There are many free sources both online and in paper format. The online investment companies I talked about last week make the financial statements, analysts opinions and past performances easily accessible.

It sounds silly to mention, but the library at the University of Wisconsin-Stout is an awesome place to do research for investing. The library offers more than just resources for classes or a place to do homework.

Over the weekend, I went down there on a mission to see what I could find in a one hour period. "The Merchant Industrial" manuals were helpful. These thick books list past financial statements and other relevant information about virtually any company I could think of.

"The Standard" and "Poor

Industrial Surveys" give an overall picture of the industry and list a few statistics to support their analysis.

Proceeding to the second floor, there are hundreds of relevant periodicals and magazines.

Most industries have trade publications, but what I like the most is finding past issues of *Fortune*, *The Wall Street Journal* and *Business Week* because of the wealth of knowledge and statistics they contain. Most of the publications are dated, but they are new enough for being "free."

The UW-Stout Library Web site allows a quick search of the articles, and many (but not all) of them are posted online. The library is invaluable in making a comprehensive analysis.

Timing is key. When I invested in March and April 2003, most of the stock market was the lowest it's been in a long time. I knew this because of my research and what was being broadcasted either on TV or AM Radio.

Paying attention to the news is helpful, but paying

attention to specific business related sources is better.

On Saturday morning there is an excellent lineup on the Fox News Channel (channel 58 locally) between 9 a.m. and 11 a.m. that goes through analysis of the market with expert opinions on certain stocks and conditions.

On the radio, I like listening to "Money Talk with Bob Brinker;" on good days I can tune into my hometown station, Radio 550 AM (out of Wausau) which carries it.

Next week I want to finish my mini-series on investing. I'm motivated to write about the rail industry because it's one of the few mature industries that is growing.

There is a lot to cover in 600 words, and there is a wealth of information out there about investing. It is my hope that these articles are helpful for those that have the urge to either invest now or in the future.

It is great to gain as much knowledge as possible from a variety of sources to make smart decisions. It'll pay off.

A frank discussion of sexual health

By Jennifer Gauthier
Campus Writer

Sexuality and its expression is a natural and healthy part of living and being human, and it's unrealistic and irresponsible to assume that college students aren't having as much sex—if not more—than the average person.

For many of us, it's such a huge part of our daily lives (or nightly lives, rather). So, it's a little ridiculous not to talk about this reality. Some students feel that there isn't enough concern on campus that students here are enjoying healthy sexual relationships that are mutually satisfying for both, or all, parties involved.

"Sex education isn't really covered at all on campus," said Erin Burns, a freshman whose major is undeclared.

"You'd think that for all they talk about alcohol and the consequences of drinking that the university might have something to say about the dangers of unprotected sex," said Burns. "It just isn't really addressed at all."

For the purpose of this article, sex is defined as any sexual activity between people of any sexual orientation, not necessarily just intercourse.

Having the ability to know what you want in a relationship and having the comfort to express yourself sexually (or not) is the basis for a healthy sexual

relationship. However, a healthy sex life consists of more than just remembering to use a condom.

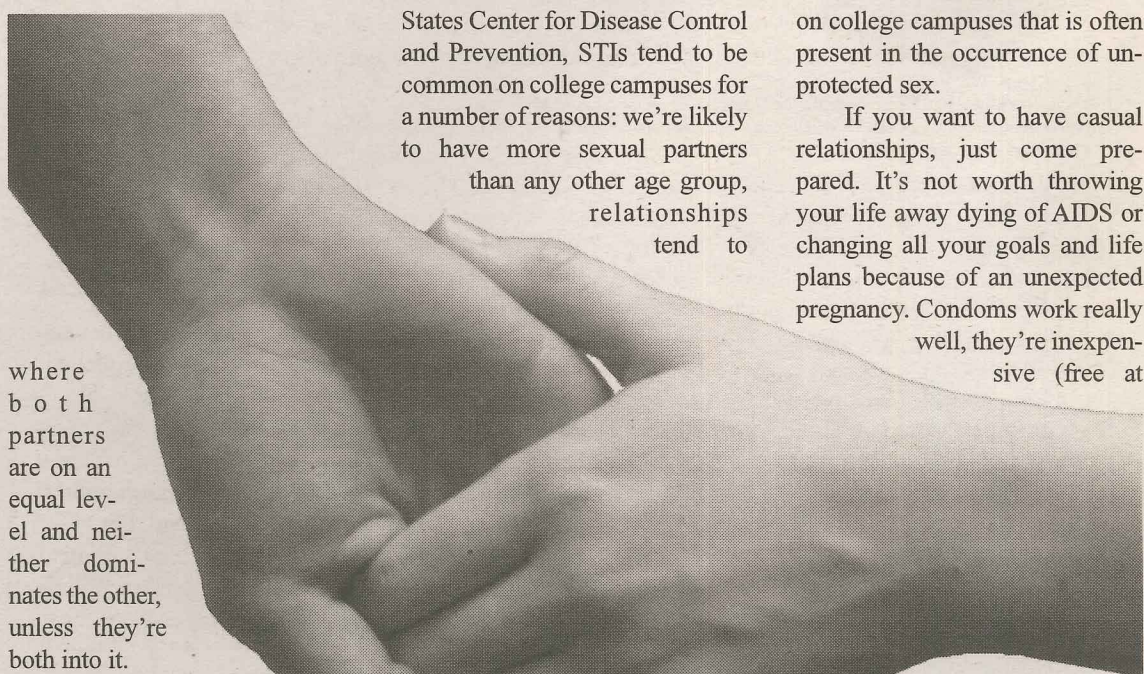
Sexual health means being healthy emotionally and mentally—being comfortable with your body and partner, not feeling pressured or uncomfortable, and willing to be responsible for your actions. It also means being physically healthy—disease-free, avoiding unwanted pregnancy, and if desired, safely-inflicted pain.

To have a truly healthy sexual relationship, you have to understand and appreciate your body, be comfortable with yourself and your sexual desires. Relationships, self-esteem, emotions, gender identity and sexual orientation all play a part in a person's sexual health. Basic guidelines for a healthy sexual relationship include, first and foremost:

Consent: having the freedom to choose to have sex, set limits and be able to stop at any time if it's desired. Both partners need to be able to openly talk and be clear about what they are willing to do, when and communicate their feelings and wants.

Respect the others' choices and decisions, and support them. Respect boundaries that other people have set up, and respect yourself by not being afraid to have and vocalize your boundaries or reservations.

Equality is another important aspect of healthy sexuality,



where both partners are on an equal level and neither dominates the other, unless they're both into it.

Trust is an integral part of any relationship, especially a sexual relationship where people are generally more vulnerable: strong relationships consist of mutually trusting that one person won't hurt the other physically or emotionally.

Safety means feeling secure and safe in your sexual relationship, and not having fear of unwanted pregnancy, sexually transmitted illnesses (STIs) or physical injury.

You have a responsibility in a relationship to consider the values, rights and feelings of your partner or partners.

According to the United

States Center for Disease Control and Prevention, STIs tend to be common on college campuses for a number of reasons: we're likely to have more sexual partners than any other age group, relationships tend to

on college campuses that is often present in the occurrence of unprotected sex.

If you want to have casual relationships, just come prepared. It's not worth throwing your life away dying of AIDS or changing all your goals and life plans because of an unexpected pregnancy. Condoms work really well, they're inexpensive (free at

Planned Parenthood), and small; there's no reason to not have a few around if you're thinking of getting lucky. They're also sold in the vending machines in the basements of the residence halls.

"It's really not that difficult," said Rob Hick, who is in the creative writing program. "Just do what you need to do so you won't get sick, hurt or die."

"It's not about morality, do what you want," said Hick. "Just be safe and don't do stupid things because it can endanger other

be shorter and condoms are less likely to be used.

"Who has more sex than college students?" said Ryan Gibson, a fashion merchandising major. "If the university was going to supply information keeping students safe, I'd say that sex should definitely be mentioned. It's not necessarily a bad thing, just the way it is."

The CDC also points to heavy alcohol/drug use common

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Make Valentine's Day special with a delicious dinner for two

By Amanda Schroeder
Campus Writer

Are you trying to impress that special someone for Valentine's Day but don't have a lot of extra money to spend at a fancy restaurant?

Well, this year make this romantic day extra special by cooking dinner for your loved one. Your significant other will be much more impressed that you took the time to make them something special.

"I'd much rather have an intimate candle lit dinner with my boyfriend than going out to a crowded restaurant with mushy couples," said Heather Pyka, a senior in vocational rehabilitation.

If you are looking for something special to make, try adding some of your date's favorite foods. If you don't know these, there are other foods to try.

On this romantic day, try adding some aphrodisiacs to your meal. According to the "Food Lovers Companion," "Aphrodisiacs are substances that are pur-

ported to arouse or increase desire." Some popular aphrodisiacs include oysters, truffles, caviar, champagne, asparagus, berries, and of course, chocolate.

The effectiveness of aphrodisiacs can vary by individual, so along with making a great meal, serve it in a romantic setting

Hershey's Chocolate Mousse

- 1 tsp. unflavored gelatin
- 1 Tbsp. cold water
- 2 Tbsp. boiling water
- 1/2 cup sugar
- 1/2 cup Hershey's cocoa powder
- 1 cup heavy cream
- 1 tsp. vanilla extract

Directions:

1. Sprinkle gelatin over a cup of cold water; let stand for one minute to soften. Add boiling water; stir until gelatin is completely dissolved and mixture is clear. Cool slightly.
2. Stir the sugar and cocoa in a medium bowl; add cream and vanilla. Beat on medium speed with an mixer, scraping bottom of bowl occasionally until mixture is stiff. Pour in gelatin mixture; beat until well blended.
3. Spoon into serving dishes. Refrigerate at least 30 minutes or overnight.

Lemon Linguine

- 8 oz. linguine
- 3 Tbsp. butter, melted
- 1 Tbsp. lemon juice
- 1 1/2 tsp. dried basil
- 1/2 tsp. garlic powder
- 1/2 tsp. lemon pepper
- 1/2 cup grated parmesan cheese

Directions:

1. In a saucepan, cook linguine in boiling water for 8-10 minutes, or until tender.
2. Meanwhile, combine melted butter, lemon juice, basil, garlic powder and lemon pepper.
3. Drain linguine; add butter mixture to linguine and toss to coat. Add parmesan cheese and toss.

This recipe is from www.allrecipes.com.

Chicken in Creamy Gravy

- 2 boneless, skinless chicken breast halves (1/2 lb)
- 1 Tbsp. oil
- 1 can reduced fat, reduced sodium cream of chicken or cream of broccoli soup
- 1/8 cup milk
- 1 tsp. lemon juice
- 1/8 tsp. lemon pepper
- 2 lemon slices

Directions:

1. In a large skillet, cook chicken in oil until browned on both sides, about 10 minutes. Drain the extra fat.
2. In a bowl, combine the soup, milk, lemon juice and pepper. Pour over the chicken.
3. Top each chicken breast with a lemon slice. Reduce heat, and cover and simmer until the chicken is cooked, about five minutes.

This recipe is from Quick Cooking magazine.

with the nicest dishes that you have. Put flowers on the table as well as some candles and keep the lights low. Hershey kisses spread along the table will also add a nice touch.

For a quick and easy meal try this chicken with pasta. A great side dish would be steamed asparagus with a squeeze of lemon juice over the top. Asparagus is a little expensive this time of year, but this meal will still be cheaper than at a restaurant. To top off the meal try a delicious chocolate mousse. This meal is sure to please anyone.

Black Student Union, open to all students

By Heidi Sleep
Campus Writer

The Black Student Union (BSU) of the University of Wisconsin-Stout is open to all students, and they are trying to encourage more students to participate.

"Black Student Union (BSU) provides an intellectual, cultural and social environment for students as well as community members. Black Student Union strives for academic excellence and promotes cultural awareness among its members." This is the introduction to the BSU Web site through the multicultural office.

"We try to unite the campus as a whole," said Shawn Zimmerman, BSU student advisor and graduate student.

"The most important thing we try to stress is that BSU is open to everyone," said Diona Johnson, a psychology major and secretary for BSU.

BSU is run by students and advised by Jennifer Heins-Daum. BSU hosts a variety of fun and educational events throughout the year in order to get the campus more involved.

Many of the activities involve informational speakers and promote networking and community involvement. Jasmine Pratzner, a sophomore in early childhood and president of BSU, has been talking to Eddie

Davis, one of two co-founders of the first BSU that was founded in 1969, to get ideas for the UW-Stout BSU.

Each year, the UW-Stout BSU participates in the National Black Student Union Conference along with BSUs from a variety of other universities in the United States; this offers a variety of speakers and workshops focusing on educational and professional development.

One of the more known events they host is the BSU Ball, which will be held on Feb. 18.

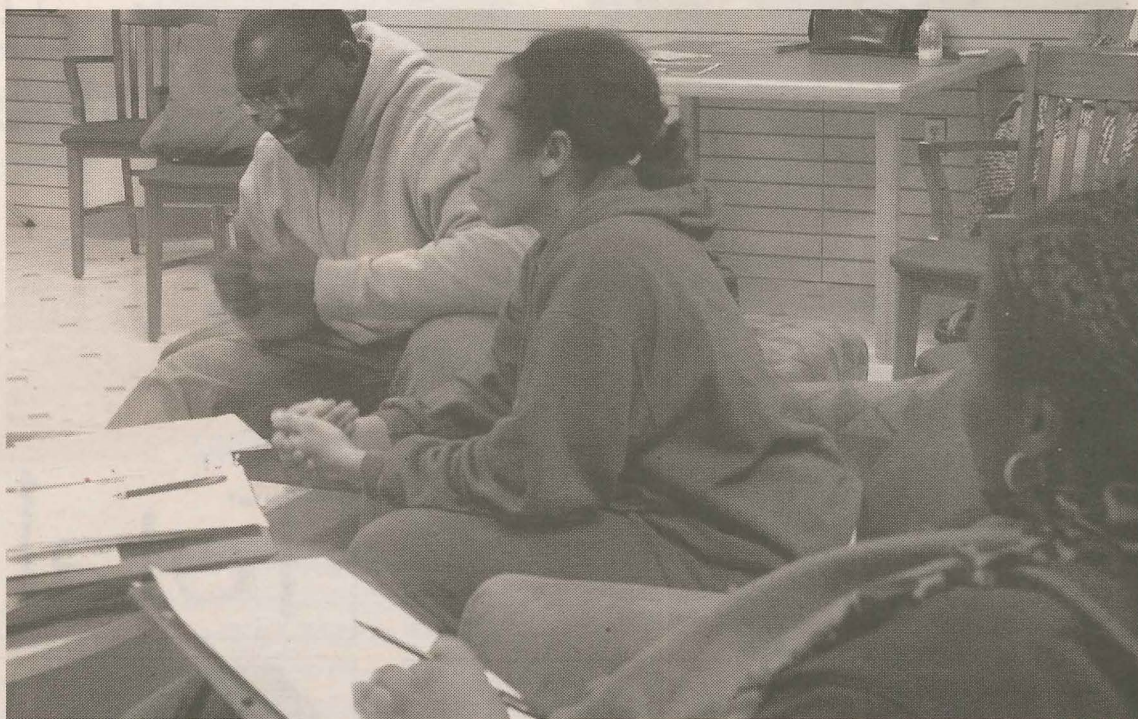
"The BSU Ball has been our main event," said Zimmerman. "It is a semi-formal to formal event."

BSU has been hosting this event for 11 years with great success.

"It is a great way for us to bring together the campus," said Zimmerman.

The BSU Ball hosts a buffet dinner, which is followed with music and entertainment. Club members encourage students and the community to attend this event. Each year, the ball has a different theme. The posters this year contain a quote from Lao Tzu, a Chinese philosopher, "The journey of a thousand miles must begin with a single step."

BSU members will have tables set up outside the Terrace and the Pawn Feb. 6-10 from 10



Marta Peters/Stoutonia

Students Bono Gbolo, Andrea Race and Diona Johnson (shown left to right) are meeting with the Black Student Union in the Diversity Lounge (Birch Gallery) in the Student Center. Anyone can join BSU.

a.m.-2 p.m. in an effort to promote the BSU Ball and to provide more information about BSU to those who are interested.

BSU is striving to create more unity among the students of UW-Stout by encouraging more students to become involved in their organization and the events they host. The BSU meetings are held every Wednesday night from 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. and the meetings are open to all students.

"We mostly focus on

events that we are putting on," said Johnson.

Their last meeting focused on allocating volunteers to design and set up a display case to represent the BSU activities of the week. This display case can be seen on the second floor of the Memorial Student Center.

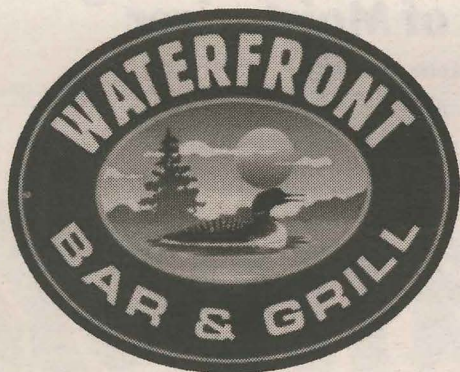
The members of BSU create all of their own flyers and posters to promote the events that they host. BSU members encourage students to attend their meetings in order to get more involved in the campus community as a whole.

Everyone that attends the

meetings can get involved and volunteer to help out with events and marketing.

"I joined because I get to learn new things and for the camaraderie that's built in the group," said Shamara Simpson, a senior in service management and former secretary of BSU.

The atmosphere at the meetings is very relaxed, open and friendly. The students involved in BSU joined for a variety of reasons, but in the end they seem to have developed strong friendships and a network that reaches far beyond the UW-Stout campus.



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"Harry Potter Jelly Bellies
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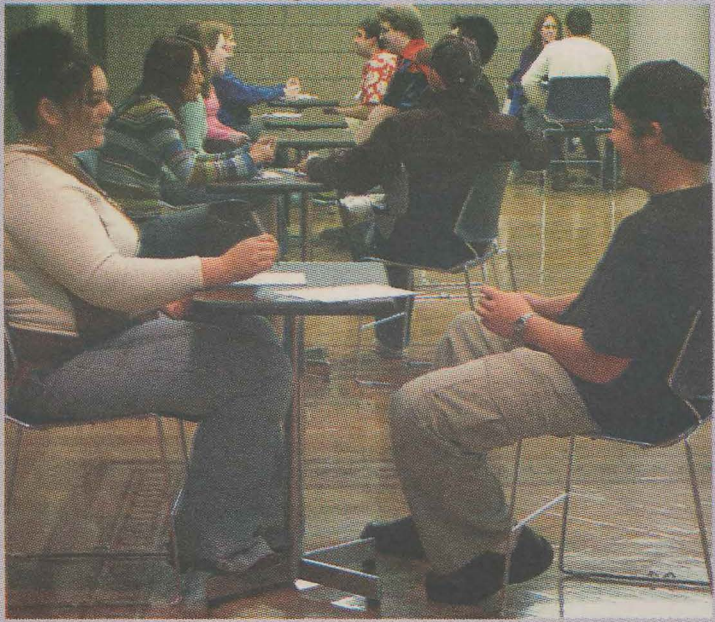
Justin Willemon
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Senior



"A teddy bear."

Nicole Miner
H & T
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Lindsey Adams/Stourtonia

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Sex

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people besides yourself too."

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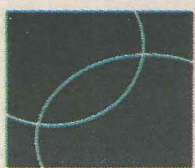
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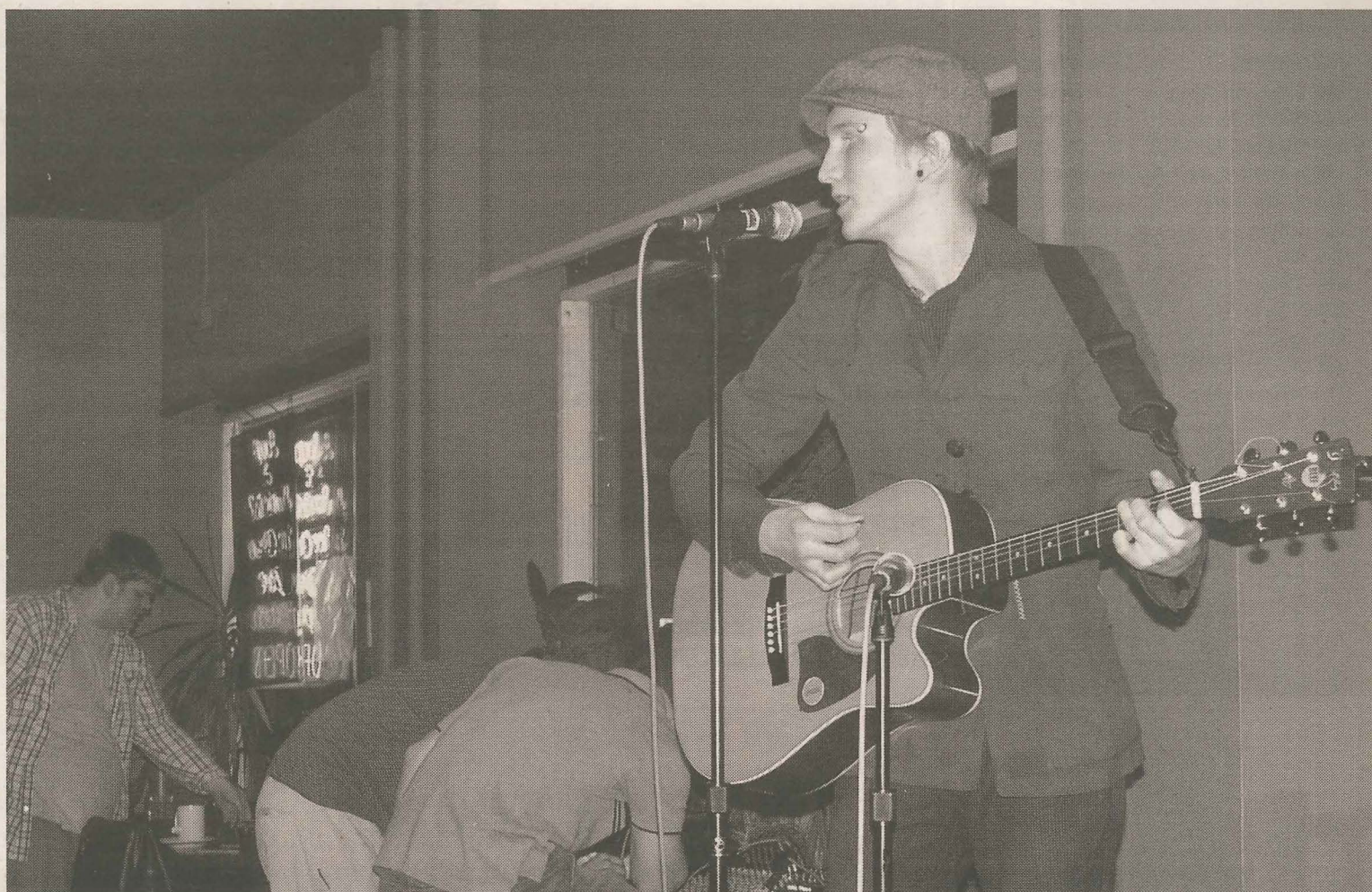
Last week, Blue Devil Productions' Open Mic Night at the Acoustic Café yielded some mixed results. I (and just about everyone who regularly attends the Open Mic Night) have grown accustomed to the overwhelming prevalence of Jack Johnson and Dashboard Confessional covers.

Having never been a fan of either, I must say I was pleasantly surprised by the variety of music that was going on. I believe that the Open Mic Night is as good a reflection of UW-Stout student's musical tastes as any, and I was slightly more impressed with the selection than usual.

Despite the over abundance of John Mayer, the audience was also treated to a varied, Dylan-esque performance which included a cover of the Beatles' "Blackbird."

Performers Alison Holmes and Anna Weber mixed things up a bit with a seemingly impromptu performance of Howie Day's "Collide."

"Like I totally think we



Kiley Van Note/Stoutonia

If John Mayer were to get royalties for all the people who must cover him at Open Mics everywhere, he might be able to retire comfortably and never f

should get some more ladies out here to rock the house," said sarcastic sophomore art education student, and Open Mic Night veteran, Alison Holmes.

"For real though," Holmes added, "this event could really

benefit from some more original performances."

There is a line in an old Beatles song that comes to mind, "In the end, the love you take is equal to the love you make." What you put in is what

you get out. So next time you find yourself looking for something to do on a Thursday night, I encourage you to come to Open Mic Night.

Bring your guitar, jaw harp, banjo, pan flute, kazoo,

tambourine, harmonica, synthesizer or whatever else you feel you need to put on an entertaining show.

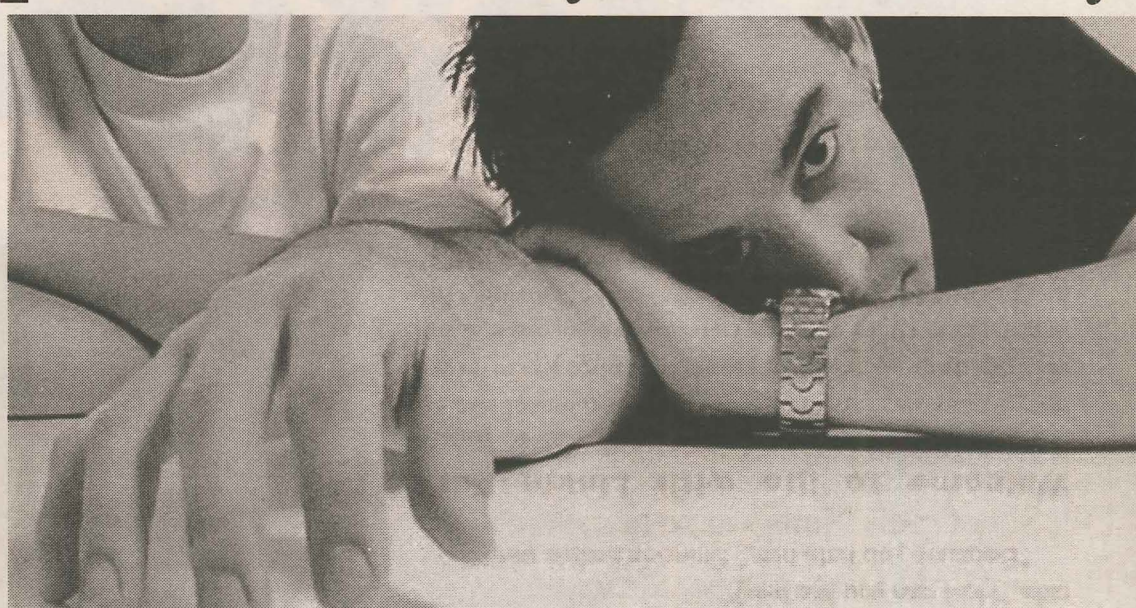
Speaking on the behalf of future audiences—we'll be very grateful to hear something new.

Fort Minor not quite worth your money



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Mike Shinoda of Linkin Park (right) started the



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Andrew Ridgeway
Entertainment Writer

In the lives of most people, a need usually arises to lash out at the ordinary and grasp onto something new and different. For Mike Shinoda, that something is called Fort Minor.

Shinoda is also known as the hip-hop vocalist for the popular band, Linkin Park, which

combines some of rock's heaviest riffs and intense vocals with some of hip-hop's more creative beats and rhymes.

But unlike that genre-fusing band, Fort Minor is straight-up hip-hop.

Jay-Z, a former collaborator with Linkin Park and one of the music industry's most influential tycoons, produced Fort Minor's debut release, "The Rising Tied."

The album includes guest artists such as Styles of Beyond, Common, John Legend, Black Thought of The Roots, Kenna and Holly Brook.

As I first listened to the impressive 16-track album, I noticed how incredibly well thought-out and "chill" the beats are.

The background rhythms written by Mike Shinoda are amazing, combining in-your-face beats with elements of strings, piano and many other instruments.

The first fault of "The Rising Tied" is its cliché-ridden lyrics and predictable rhyme schemes. The songs' messages are conveyed to the listener with little or no poetic imagery.

Even so, surprisingly

enough, the overall messages of the tracks stand up fairly well.

For example, Track 13, "Kenji," is about the Japanese internment camps in America during World War II and features the voices of Shinoda's aunt and father.

The emotional depth of the content was a welcome and thought-provoking surprise compared to the lyrical content of many other hip-hop releases.

One can't help wondering if Mike Shinoda's solo material will hold up and catch on in today's unfriendly music scene, or if Fort Minor is capable of

stepping out from underneath the looming shadow of its parent group, Linkin Park.

Fort Minor is exactly what it appears to be: a Linkin Park clone without the heavy riffs and haunting vocals of Chester Bennington.

In other words, they are purely the hip-hop side of Linkin Park.

Even though this CD's beats give it a "not your usual booty-shaking hip-hop" quality, Fort Minor's "The Rising Tied" is not original enough to survive on its own. It gets a mediocre 2.5 out of 5 stars.

Puppy Bowl? Yeah right

Girly movies for the guys



Matt Schubbe
Entertainment Writer

Yeah, last week was Super Bowl Sunday and we're all done talking about it. But did anyone see what they were airing on Animal Planet during the Super Bowl?

Now, I watched the game, but before, after and sometimes during, I was watching one of the most bizarre things I've seen on television. It was the Animal Planet's version of the Super Bowl; a strange gathering of canines called "Puppy Bowl."

What exactly is "Puppy Bowl"? Do the dogs compete for anything? Is there a prize?

Well, no. But since this is the second year that the "Puppy Bowl" has existed, I can tell you quite a bit about it.

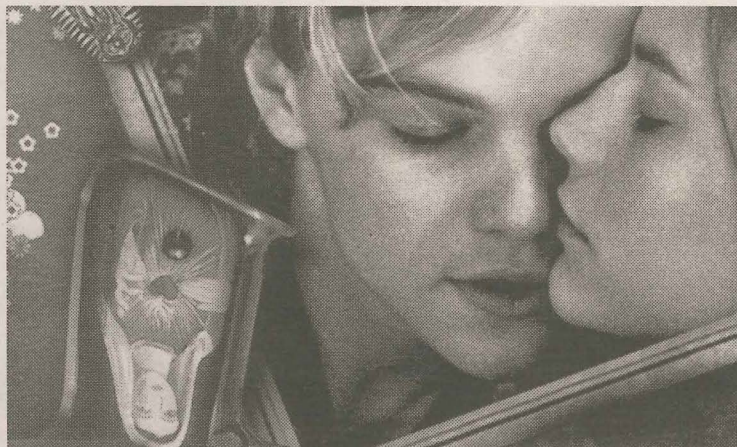
"Puppy Bowl" (at least in this year's version) featured 22 puppies running around a miniature football stadium, with cameras placed at and inside of different parts of the set, including inside of toys and dog bowls. That's it. Apart from the fact that there are "referees" who clean up the oh-so-cutely named

"puppy fouls," there is nothing else going on besides puppies essentially running around for three hours.

And they replay it. Four times. Twelve hours of puppy footage repeating itself. I'm sure some people may be wondering why I'm making a big deal out of this. One particular friend of mine, whom I won't name, will probably even be upset that I'm taking shots at these adorable little monsters. But come on: what is the freaking point?

If you're a network like Animal Planet, you probably know that Super Bowl Sunday will be a slow day for you. So, why even try to compete, especially with something like "Puppy Bowl," which is all but excruciating to anyone but the most die-hard dog enthusiast? If it was a real dog you could play with it and enjoy all the endorphins the activity would produce. "Puppy Bowl" is just an excuse to fill space.

That this is the second incarnation of it baffles me. That means that the first one somehow received ratings good enough to suggest a follow-up. All who read this do me a favor: boycott "Puppy Bowl." And if anyone around you praises "Puppy Bowl," do me another favor and bark at them. See what they think of that.



Source: www.kilby.sac.on.ca

Remember this movie? It's the one that Leo DiCaprio didn't suck in.



Jarrod Burns and William Butchee
Entertainment Writers

This Valentine's Day, these two reviewers are going to do a service for the males out there. If your Valentine's Day is going to involve watching a movie with your significant other, for the sake of the male in the relationship, the following is a list of some of the more guy-friendly chick flicks.

Baz Luhrman's 1996 interpretation of Shakespeare's "Romeo & Juliet" is a perfect choice

for a romantic movie experience. As an added bonus for us guys, Baz Luhrman updated this version with a modern setting, stunning visuals and flashy editing. Most importantly, the movie has guns instead of swords and Leonardo DiCaprio makes less of a jerk of himself than in "Titanic."

With a wide range of locales from the small villages of Africa to the streets of urban Europe, "The Constant Gardener" is a moving story of love and corporate corruption. A suspicious drug company that provides medical needs for towns in Africa gives reason for a British ambassador to start a quest to discover what truly happened to his missing wife.

Moving into more uplifting subject matter, "The Girl Next Door" is a story of underage sex,

the porn industry and violent criminals. It also happens to be one of the funniest romantic teen comedies to have come along in a while. Definitely worth a rental for your romantic movie night.

Viktor Navorski, an eastern European played by Tom Hanks, gets accidentally stranded at JFK airport when his country's government is overthrown in the surprisingly funny romantic film, "The Terminal."

Searching for any way possible to leave the airport, Navorski must somehow learn enough English to fill out entry request forms and stay out of the way of airport security. Through his struggles, he bumps into an airline stewardess played by Catherine Zeta-Jones, whom he falls for. He then spends more energy on trying to impress her than on actually getting home.

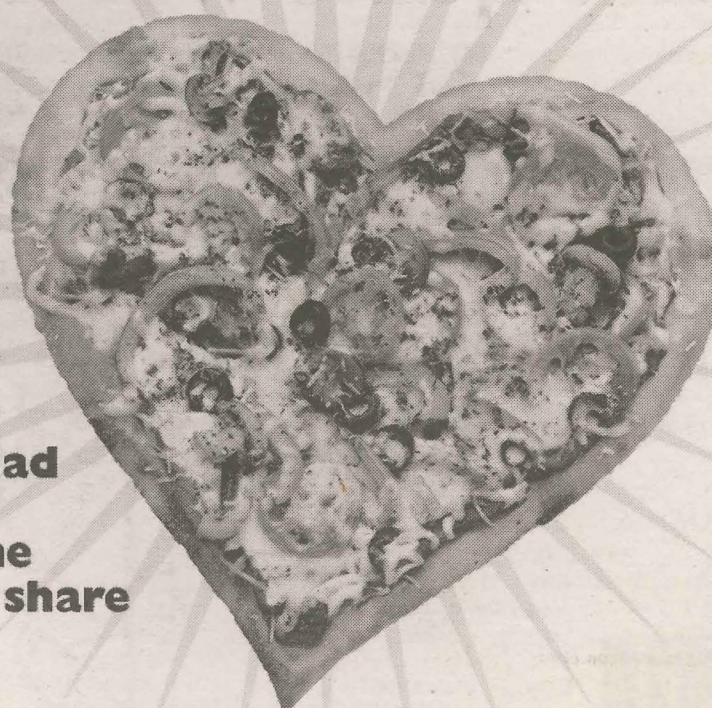
Kevin Smith's "Chasing Amy" walks the line between romantic drama and romantic comedy. Holden and Banky are comic book artists earning plenty selling juvenile stoner comics, but Holden thinks he's found something better when he meets a "fellow" comic artist named Amy. Unfortunately, his romantic aspirations hit something of a snag when he finds out she is a lesbian. Though the story is mostly serious, the dialogue is frequently hilarious.

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Climbing around the family tree of video games



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The idea of a video game can be traced back to the 1930s but it took until the 1970s for video games as we know them to truly catch on when "Pong" hit the scene.

By Ami Kriho

Entertainment Writer

Video game history is a subject that is easy to overlook. With so many of them to play and the industry rapidly growing, it's easy to get lost in their immense worlds and forget about the technology that went into them. The main source for this article was "The Ultimate History of Video Games" by Steven Kent.

The idea of a video game can be traced back to the 1930s and is distantly related to amusement park novelties such as pinball and shooting galleries. Fast-forward to 1958 when physicist William Higinbotham created "Tennis for Two" using an oscil-

loscope. The most praised inventor of video games is Steve Russell, who created an interactive game called "Spacewar." The game was revised and became a hit throughout MIT. But like Higinbotham, Russell and his friends never made a dime off of their invention.

At around the same time, Ralph Baer was working on a similar invention. With help from engineer Bill Rusch, he created a simple two-player hockey game in 1967 that could be played on a television. Four years later, Magnavox bought the idea and called it "The Odyssey."

While the above people have had their fleeting glory inventing video games, it took

Nolan Bushnell to start a video game industry. Both an engineer and an entrepreneur, Bushnell was fascinated by games and worked on developing a device that would play games of his design. Wanting to manufacture his invention, he founded his own company in 1972: Atari.

That same year, Bushnell hired engineer Al Alcorn, best known for his electronic ping-pong game, "Pong." The first prototype of "Pong" was placed in a small bar called Andy Capp's Tavern and was so popular that it stopped working because people put in too many quarters. It didn't take long for rival companies to produce their own imitation of the game.

Atari, like any company, hit a few bumps along their road of success. "Pong" was considered an infringement of Baer's "Odyssey" game (the case was settled out of court) and they had fierce competitors such as National Semiconductor, Meadow Games and Coleco (Coleco Vision). The Yakuza, or Japanese mafia, successfully counterfeited Atari's Breakout machines in Japan.

But Bushnell remained one step ahead of his competitors and struck upon the next big idea for games: playing them at home. Digital boards had lowered in price, making the concept of computers the size of a shoebox possible.

Thus was born the Video Computer System, formally known as the Atari 2600. In 1975, Sears Roebuck sold the system Home Pong in their Christmas catalog, and wound up being one of the company's greatest hits.

By 1980, people around the world became obsessed with video games, at both home and in the arcade. Hundreds of companies jumped on the bandwagon and while some of them produced memorable games, most did not.

Many of these games had unrealistic deadlines and primitive graphics (for those days), and some were produced in bigger numbers than the number of systems sold. Saturated with substandard games, the video game market dwindled. Prices dropped but nothing sold. In 1984, Atari was near bankruptcy and the industry was considered dead.

My next article will be about the company that brought the industry back to life, arguably the most influential company in the industry, even to this day. If you can't guess, here's a hint: Marufuku.

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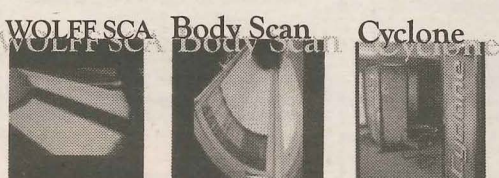
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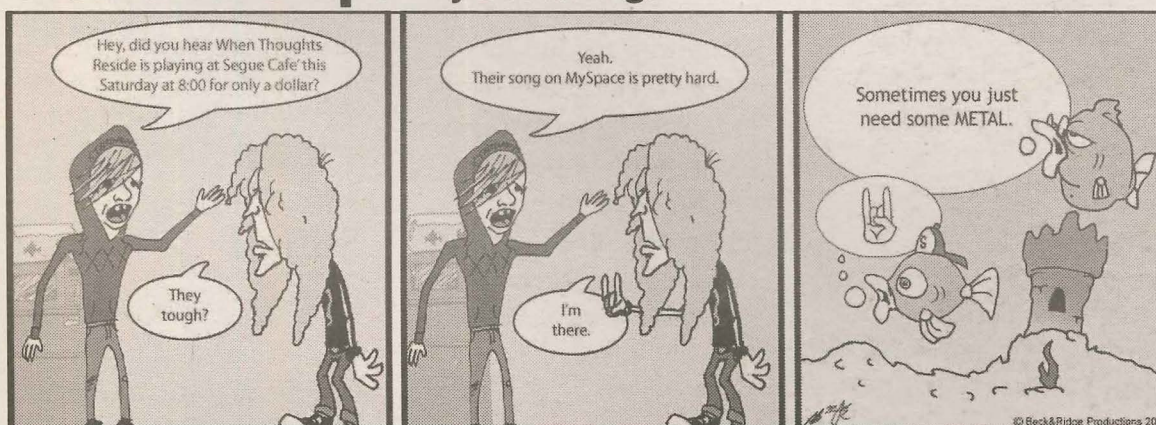
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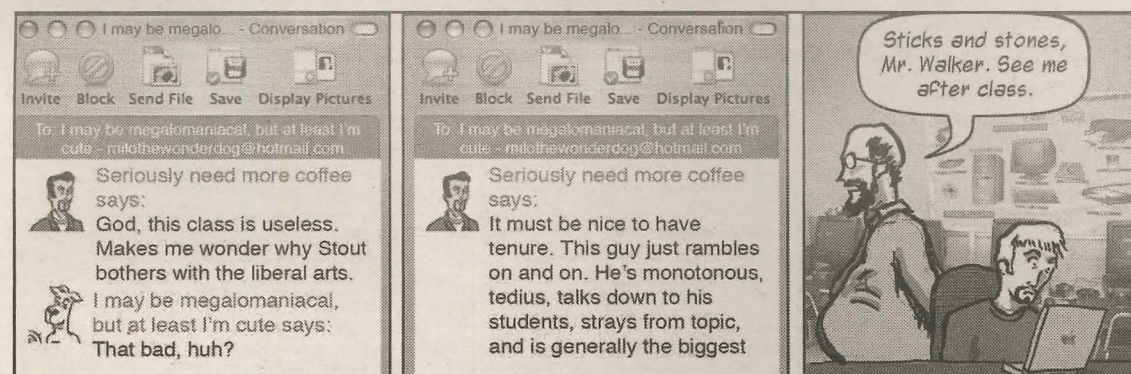
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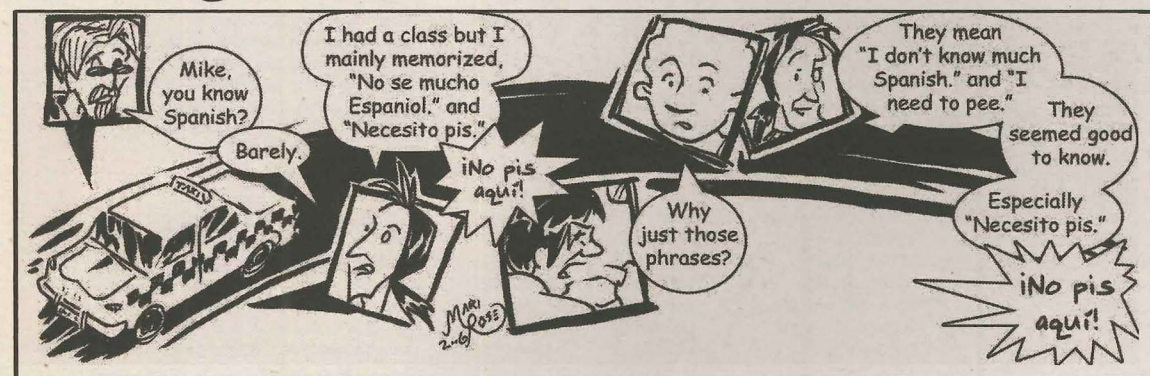
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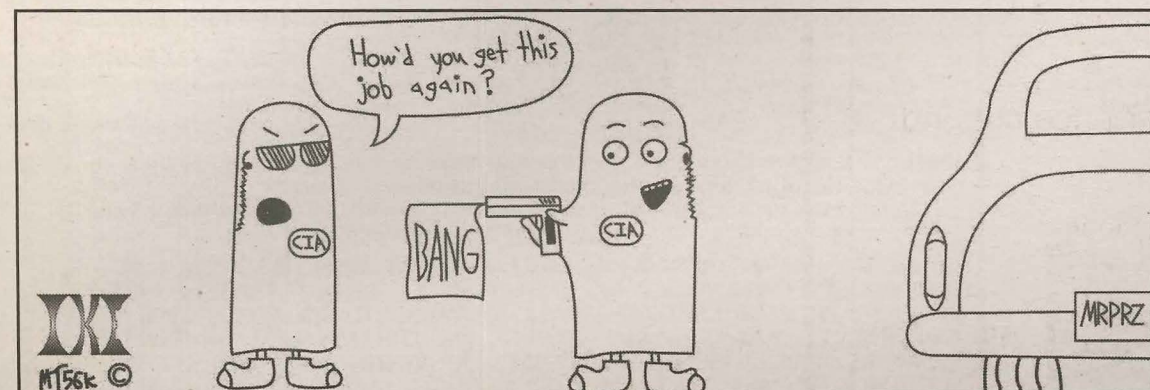
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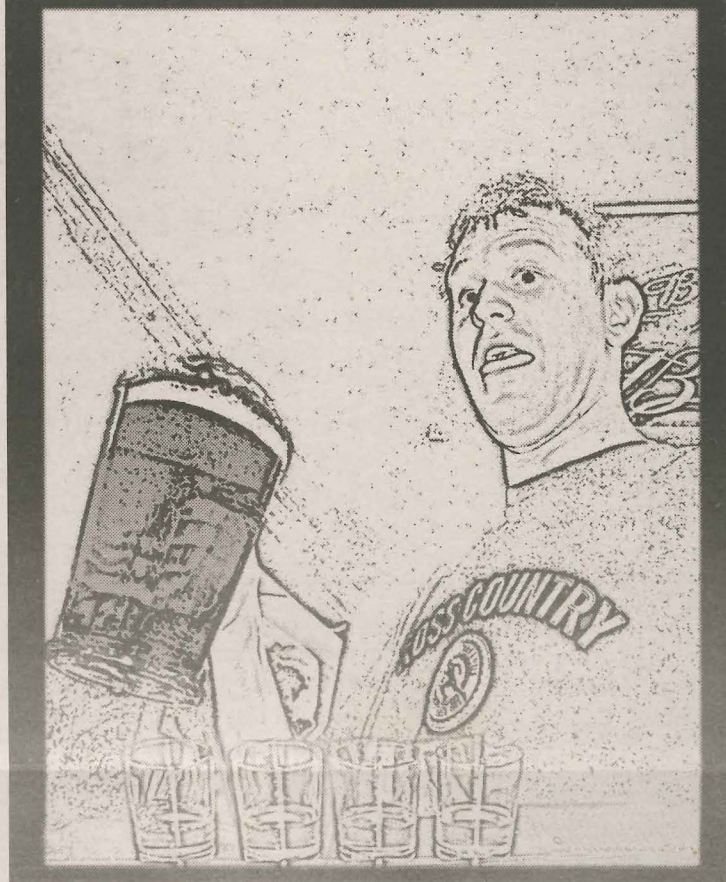
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2	1	1506 6th Street	\$420	\$210	\$590	\$295	Huge bedrooms, enclosed front porch	D	7	2	1321 2nd Street West	\$1,400	\$200	\$1,700	\$243	Large house, 1 block from campus	H
2	1	1221 1/2 7th Street	\$440	\$220	n/a	n/a	Inc. heat, WSG, hot water, excellent location	4	7	2	820 11th Street	\$1,600	\$229	\$1,900	\$271	Newly remodeled, washer/dryer, fabulous house	H
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Disc dynasty defines campus

By Ross Ehrenberg
Sports Writer

Are you sick of the traditional college sports? Looking for an alternative to daily practices that have little gratification? Want to get some fresh-air and meet new people? Then join the University of Wisconsin-Stout disc golf club.

Disc golf is fun and easy to pick up. The object is to land the disc in the basket, and unlike ultimate frisbee, disc golf or frof is a little more laid back. Similar to golf, Frolf is played on a course, not a field.

With over 2,000 courses here in the states, disc golf is becoming a very competitive sport, all while retaining its integrity. The athletes strive for greatness and their number one goal is to have a fun and exciting experience.

Although many die-hard frofners love to disc golf all year long, the season really starts to pick up as the weather becomes nice. Although the season won't materialize until early April, a hand full of students took their skills to the Komo Park Festival. In this tournament, disc golfers are split up into two skill levels: advanced and intermediate.

Many of UW-Stout participants did very well at Komo Park. Drew Retherford brought home fourth place, while Jason Hendrickson took seventh and Jim Kerner grabbed twelfth. Fortunately, this sport is not lim-

ited to a men's league. In fact, many women love to also get out there and throw with the best of them.

Jessie Doxtator captured third place, while Amy Schmitz snagged fourth. Last November, Doxtator had another great placing as she took first at the UW-Parkside Tournament. And, don't forget about the prizes! Normally, a good placing will earn you money or coupons towards the purchase of new equipment and discs.

Leading this frof brigade is Jason Hendrickson, the president of the disc golf club at UW-Stout.

"We're looking to reach every skill level with our new additions to the local courses," said Hendrickson. "We don't really hold practices, because disc golf is rather social in nature, so it's more just about getting out and playing with friends. We do play quite often together as our schedules provide."

Hendrickson is very excited about this year's prospecting players, he is also confident that with disc golf's new popularity more students will look to join the bandwagon. And with all the new course additions to the Chippewa Valley, this looks to be the start of a great disc golf dynasty.

Locally, Menomonie is home to three great courses. Lying within the south campus courtyard five baskets are back after a small absence due to the opening of Brickyard. Brick-

yard is the newly finished course located in the Dunn County Humane Society near the Red Cedar River.

The grand opening is planned for mid-April. The club is also planning to hold a clinic for beginners, so don't be afraid to go try it out.

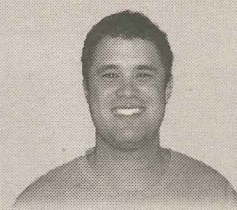
This is a perfect quick retreat to the woods for your free time. Check out the eldest of the three courses; Wakanda Park, located on the northwestern edge of Lake Menomin. In the last decade, Wakanda Park has expanded from a six-hole course to a full 18-holes.

In conjunction with Tower Ridge of Eau Claire, Wakanda Park is hosting The Chippewa Valley Disc Golf Challenge. Festivities begin May 6 and last through the weekend.

If anybody is interested in learning more about the UW-Stout disc golf club, please visit their web-site at www.discgolf.uwstout.edu or e-mail at: stoutdiscgolfclub@uwstout.edu. Disc golf will also become an intramural sport this coming block (block four).

Sign ups will be held early fourth quarter at the U-Rec office on the lower floor of the Johnson Field house. Hard-core frisbee fans should check out ultimate frisbee, Tuesdays and Thursdays at 9:00 p.m. in the Johnson Field house while the weather is cool. When it warms up, look to the soccer fields near the sport's complex.

Question-a-bowl?



Bryan Horwath
Sports Writer

Let me make this point first: I really wasn't taking much of an interest in this year's Super Bowl.

Honestly, I was more excited for the commercials and, to a much lesser extent, the halftime show. Yes, the game between Seattle and Pittsburgh, a couple of relatively boring teams, did not seem to be much of a show-stopper.

The 2006 version of America's most-hyped sporting event didn't have any John Elways, Brett Favres or Tom Bradys. There was no America's Team or regional interest for us here in the upper Midwest to pay close attention to.

There was no villain to root against like Deion Sanders, Terrell Owens or Ray Lewis. It's safe to say this year's Super Bowl really wasn't a sexy match-up.

So as the clock moved ever closer to kickoff (finally after about 12 hours of pre-game madness), I wasn't planning on rooting for either squad.

That all changed about 45 minutes into the game. With just under five minutes on the clock in a scoreless first quarter, Seattle's Darrell Jackson was called for pass interference on what would have been a Seahawk touchdown.

The problem with the call? Jackson's "penalty" shouldn't have been whistled in a flag football game. It was a phantom foul and would have been a no-call 90 percent of the time.

This was only the beginning of what was easily the worst officiated Super Bowl of all time. The only things worse than the refs in Sunday's spectacle were the commercials and that could be debatable (honestly, the Hummer and

Burger King spots had to be two of the worst creations in advertising history).

A good example was the way holding a foul that could legitimately be called on every play in the NFL was called. Seattle was penalized four times and, amazingly, Pittsburgh never was flagged.

In fact, after two false start penalties on Pittsburgh during its first drive of the game, the Steelers were called for only one penalty the rest of the game. It was so ridiculous that about the time when Ben Rothlisberger's quarterback sneak was incorrectly called a touchdown just before halftime, I turned into about the biggest Seahawk fan east of Steve Largent.

After I saw the replay of that phantom touchdown, I was rooting for Seattle so intensely that I felt like drinking extra foamy lattes and looking for a sasquatch. Where's a Starbucks when you need one in this town?

After Pittsburgh took a 7-3 lead by halftime, the two teams traded touchdowns until Seattle found itself starting a drive at its own two-yard line with just under 10 minutes to play in the third quarter.

Ten plays later, Seahawks quarterback Matt Hasselback completed a pass to tight end Jerramy Stevens for a first and goal at the Steelers' one. But wait, the play was called back because of a hold on Seattle.

Before rushing to any conclusions, I wanted to see the replay. After seeing it in slow motion twice (and hearing John Madden agree that the call was bogus), I wanted to write a letter to the commissioner. I've seen more blatant holds at junior high dances.

Wouldn't you know that two plays later, Pittsburgh intercepted a pass and scored a touchdown in effect to seal the game on the ensuing drive? I don't care what anybody says, what happened in Detroit on Sunday was truly an injustice.

Some things you know just aren't right (the new bill to limit financial aid, Mick Jagger's dancing, and most of Ben Affleck's movies are a few others that come to mind).

Am I saying that the NFL was conspiring to hand the game to Pittsburgh? No, I won't go that far because I have no evidence. What I will say is that the officials certainly went against Seattle on every controversial call. Call me a conspiracy theorist (it wouldn't be the first time), but those calls made me think about some things.

At its best, Super Bowl XL was the most controversially officiated playoff game in a long time, maybe ever.

My guess is Mike Holmgren will be Sleepless in Seattle possibly for weeks to come. In my opinion, he has every right to be.



Source: Stout Disc Golf Club

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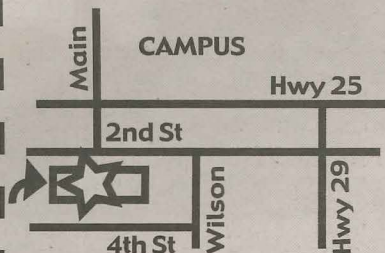
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Blue Devil Scoreboard

Hockey (12-11)

The hockey team lost 9-0 against St. Norbert on Jan. 28

Next Game:
Feb. 10 hosting
UW-River Falls



Men's Basketball (18-4)

The basketball team defeated UW-Superior Falls 74-52

Next Game: Feb 11 hosting
UW-Stevens Point



Women's Basketball (13-6)

The women's basketball team defeated UW-Superior Falls 92-74

Next Game: Feb. 11 hosting
UW-Stevens Point



Gymnastics (0-4)

The gymnastics team was defeated by Hamline on Feb. 3

Next Meet:
Feb. 10 at Air Force Academy



Blue Devils battle with Pointers this weekend

By Bryan Horwath
Sports Writer

Just a heads up on campus excitement. The men's basketball team is currently in first place in the Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Conference and has a chance to win its first conference title in 30 years.

The team will play the University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point, who is currently tied with the Blue Devils for first this Saturday, Feb. 11. Both men's and women's teams face off against UW-Stevens Point.

"We could use your help," said Steve Terry, the University of Wisconsin-Stout athletic director.

Over the past 19 years, Mark Thomas has led the University of Wisconsin-Stout women's basketball program to an average of slightly better than 16 wins per season.

With three conference titles and an National Collegiate Athletic Conference sweet sixteen appearance under his belt, nobody can disagree. Thomas, one of the most respected coaches in Division III women's hoops, has made UW-Stout into a small college powerhouse.

Now it's the men who are looking for a lasting legacy.

Before this season, Ed Andrist had coached five seasons for the Blue Devils, which was also his Alma Matter, and averaged 13 wins.

During this time, Andrist compiled a 67-58 record with his Blue Devil team. It's an impressive statistic, especially in the tough WIAC.

Before Andrist took the reigns of the program in 2000, John Muraski coached the Blue Devils to an under .500 record over 11 seasons.

In fact, the last time the UW-Stout men won a conference championship of any kind was way back during the 1974-75

season when the league was actually the Wisconsin State University College and UW-Stout was an National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics Institution.

If you're keeping tabs at home, this means no player on the current team was alive the last time a Blue Devil men's team was referred to as a champion. It's doubtful very many of the current players' parents even knew each other in 1975.

This could all change 31 years later as Andrist's team is sitting almost alone atop the WIAC, with a conference record of 11-3 (18-4 overall).

Clearly, this is Andrist's best team to date in Menomonie and with UW-Stevens Point not running away with the league, as they usually seem to do, the Blue Devils have a legitimate shot at earning the No. 1 seed in the all-important WIAC tournament.

The first seed is important because the winner of the WIAC tournament is an automatic qualifier for the NCAA tournament.

Although more than one WIAC team could make the NAAs, it doesn't happen very often.

If you need proof that a WIAC tourney title can act as a great springboard for bigger and better things, all you have to do is look at UW-Stevens Point, national champions for the past two years.

Speaking of those pesky Pointers, they come to town this Saturday for what will be arguably the most anticipated regular season game UW-Stout has hosted in years, perhaps even decades (UW-Stout did lose in the WIAC title game in 1999 after a surprising run).

After its win Wednesday night over UW-Superior, the Blue Devils have a great chance to control their own destiny and force anybody who plans on winning the WIAC tournament to have to come through Menomonie first.

There isn't any reason for this campus not to get excited about this team. This year, for a change, both the men and women Blue Devils will bring some serious enthusiasm to UW-Stout. So far, the Blue Devils have reeled off seven consecutive victories.

With Ryan Stangl, Terry Farmer, Adam Chandler and Jacob Nonemacher all averaging between 11 and 13 points per game to lead the team, UW-Stout leads a balanced attack and has also benefited from solid bench play all season.

Not to be lost in the mix, as if that would possible, is the fact that Nonemacher's continued progress as a 7-foot presence has been a huge factor in the Devils' recent success.

In fact, Jacob whose twin brother John is also a key contributor was named WIAC Player of the Week after averaging 19 points and 12 rebounds in recent wins over River Falls and Oshkosh.

When Andrist came back to UW-Stout six years ago, one of his ultimate goals for the pro-

gram was to compete for the national championship. Andrist has been a good ambassador for Blue Devil basketball as attendance has steadily improved the past few years.

Watch out this week though. Sports Information Director Layne Pitt expects the crowd Saturday to approach 2,000 and, with a win, UW-Stout will be ranked in the d3hoops.com top ten for the first time ever.

It seems Andrist's plan is working, for a program that has never made an NCAA appearance (or even hosted a WIAC tournament game for that matter), that is a big step indeed.

"The UW-Stout women's team also play's UW-Stevens Point on Saturday and is are currently in second place (one game behind Stevens Point)," said Terry.

What a great double-header this could turn out to be. Game times are 3 p.m. for the women and 5 p.m. for the men. Remember, students get in free with their ID."



Source: Sports Information
Brian Buck and the Blue Devils will play in one of their biggest games of the season on Saturday. The team hosts the Pointers at 5 p.m.

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SPRING BREAK

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SWEET VICTORY OVER POINTERS

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Lab designed by students for students

By Casey Nold
News Writer

With plans starting in early December, the new telecommunications lab was finally ready for use about a week into the 2006 spring semester.

The lab was designed by students in the Information Technology Management (ITM) major, and with much

preparation in a short amount of time, the students' creation is up, running and considered very successful.

Eric Landru, the instruction specialist in the lab, proposed the idea last semester. With the right funding, he and his students have created a lab that will enhance learning and provide an easier transition to future technological improvements.

"Most people that sit down and look at it prefer it," said Ben Guldán, a senior in ITM. "Before people had to get up and mess with stuff and now we can sit down and control everything. It saves a lot of time."

The old lab had several rows of computers and a separate room for lecture.

Now the students have pod shaped desks containing four

built in computers with mobile chairs and telephones at each station. Both the students and the instructor think this is a much better design for lecturing.

It also gives the students more mobility to help each other and to interact.

This new setup provides an easier way for the instructor to help the students. Landru said that the University of Wisconsin-Stout is a lab based school, and this new lab was desperately needed to improve teacher-

student communication and give the students the right environment to learn how to use the technology in that particular program.

"The overall layout is better; things were aging and always needing repair, after a while you need to renew things," said Landru when commenting on what he thought was the best feature of the lab.

"We were constantly fixing things and using hand-me-down

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Lady Blue Devils get big help



Marta Peters/Stoutonia

Preschoolers got a taste of college life on Feb. 10 when they came to play basketball with UW-Stout's Lady Blue Devils. The girls helped teach the kids some sweet b-ball moves.

Vandalism in the halls

Has Red Cedar Hall been under attack?

By Kristie Wilson
News Writer

There have been many rumors flying around about extensive vandalism occurring in Red Cedar Hall recently. It is time to put truth to the rumors.

"I really hoped this building would be a piece of cake," said Brandon Jutz, a Red Cedar Committee Relations resident advisor.

Though it may seem like Red Cedar has more vandalism than other halls, this is not necessarily true. Red Cedar has the typical hall fines of the other halls. There are only a couple special cases.

"I'm disappointed that there are as many problems as there are," said Jutz.

One of the cases would be the elevator. As some may have noticed, there have been a lot of problems with the elevators including people kicking the doors, the alarms going off and condoms being put in provocative magazines.

"The big issue we had was people riding bikes through here at the beginning of the year," said Jutz.

So bikes would be the other issue. Apparently residents would ride their bikes through

the hall and slam on their brakes. When they would suddenly hit their brakes, it left marks in the carpet.

Other than those two, the fines have been typical. One of these fines has been from the mess left after residents cooked pizzas and smeared the pizza sauce in the kitchen area.

"We have had some Pizzaz pizza makers disappear from our floor kitchens and then reappear after a few days," said Dipra Jha, Red Cedar hall director. "No couches were stolen in Red Cedar though."

One of the reasons that people may hear about the Red Cedar problems is because they handle their problems differently.

In most halls, the RAs get notified of the damage done, and they hang a sign up. Then, at the end of the semester, the fines get divided between each member of the floor, and for big damages, the entire hall has to pay a price.

One thing that Red Cedar does a little differently is sending out e-mails when something has been damaged or stolen.

"Because we send out e-

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Patriot Act is explained to Stout students

By Tracy Consi Dine
News Writer

On Thursday, Feb. 9, state Attorney General candidate J.B. Van Hollen spoke at the University of Wisconsin-Stout about the Patriot Act. His main focus was the growing controversy behind this act that was created in response to the terrorist attacks of September 11.

Van Hollen opened by saying that he intended the floor to be open and any questions or comments could be interjected at any time. He gave a little background of himself and his prior involvement in politics before he began his presentation.

"The Patriot Act is a significant legislative act and I

could talk about it for hours, but we don't have that long," said Van Hollen.

He then gave a brief overview of the Patriot Act and its major controversies as they stand at present. Though the act was passed by overwhelming margins in Congress, it seems there has still been room for controversy.

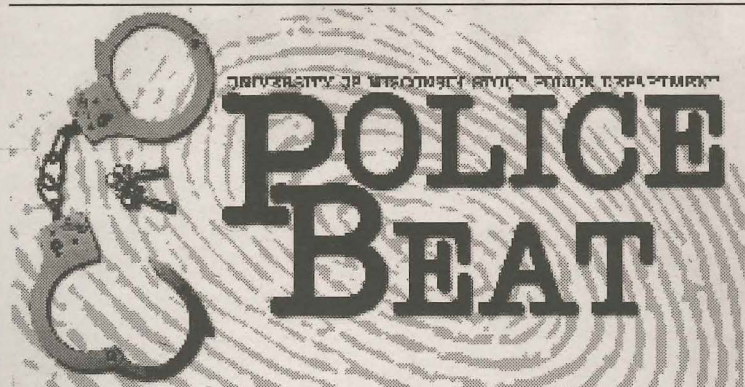
On the top of the list of controversies is the question of civil liberties.

One of the changes made by the act was that of the delayed notice search. The delayed notice search means that law enforcement would not have to inform the party being searched that they will be searching the premises; however, nothing

would be able to be removed from the property.

Of course, the general public questions if the government is crossing lines with this amendment. Van Hollen wholeheartedly supports the act, explaining that the Patriot Act has limited some civil liberties

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Those who throw stones...

Sunday, Feb. 5: The hood of a car was vandalized while it was parked in lot 22. Something heavy and jagged had been thrown at the vehicle's hood. A large rock was located near the student's car; two other nearby vehicles appeared to be damaged as well.

Got 'em in the rear

Sunday, Feb. 5: Another vehicle in lot 22 was reported vandalized. The rear window was smashed in and the roof line above the rear window had significant damage. The student said he had no idea who may be responsible for this, no suspects have been identified.

Keep it in your pants

Friday, Feb. 11: A man was observed urinating in public near University Services; he was given a warning and told to move on.

Got 'em in the rear again

Tuesday, Jan. 31: Damage to a student's car was reported in UW-Stout parking lot 17. The car's taillights were both damaged; no suspects or witnesses were identified.

Spitting alcoholics

Friday, Feb. 3: A UW-Stout officer was dispatched to Red Cedar Hall for a report of a 911 hang-up call that came from elevator two. No one was present, but a strong odor of alcohol was present along with spit on the walls inside the elevator.

If it's not broken...

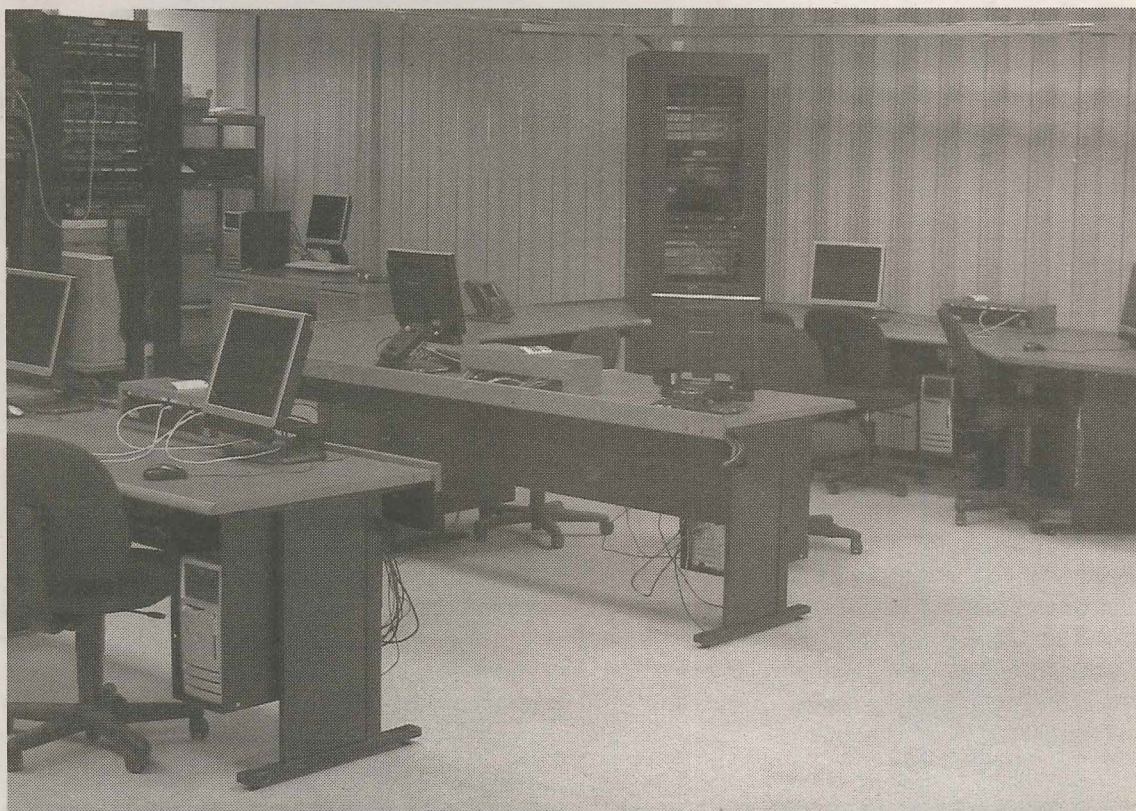
Saturday, Feb. 4: A parking meter located in lot 18 was removed from its pole and was found lying on the ground. No money was removed and it appeared to be in working condition.

Invisible alcohol juice

Saturday, Feb. 10: UW-Stout officers were dispatched to third floor Antrim Hall for possible alcohol consumption. Upon arrival, the RA on duty informed officers that nine people had fled a room and that a strong odor of alcohol was present. None of the people were located.

Lab / brand new design

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Michael Graney/Stoutonia

The new lab just opened at the beginning of this semester and is accommodating for students who have to work in groups or individually. Now classes have lectures and labs in the same room.

computers. The technology and the computers have improved so it's better."

The students said that the best feature is the technology, and they feel their design is preparing them for the future.

Although there's a new look to the telecommunications lab, the students are still using the same technology; but now they just access materials differently.

The lab setup is a networking lab with a lot of wiring and devices with many switches.

This new construction, with new wiring, helps the students to be more mobile which Landru said is a convenience that allows students to work more productively in groups or even by themselves.

Guldan said that the new lab improvement has enhanced his learning abilities by the conveniences the lab provides.

The room itself is more mobile, and the phones really make communication easy between students at the desks.

He also said that the new lab promotes and intensifies the atmosphere of team work as well as bringing the class together.

"Having it on paper and sitting at Perkins talking is a completely different thing than sitting back and saying wow we planned this entire thing," said Guldan about helping to create the design. "It's a good feeling."

A message from Chancellor Sorensen on different means of transportation

The university recognizes that many of our students are utilizing alternative means of transportation around and on campus. Therefore, my memo of March 20, 1992, is rescinded and replaced with the following authorization.

In compliance with Wisconsin Administrative Code UWS 18.06 [29], skateboards, roller blades and bicycles are permitted on university sidewalks when used as a transportation device, unless restricted by posting. Doing tricks, jumping, sliding and other uses not prescribed above, of roller blades, skateboards and/or a bicycle is PROHIBITED.

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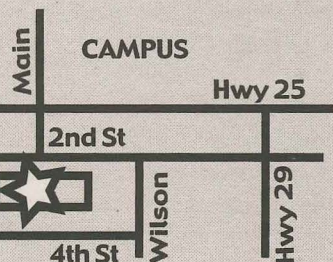
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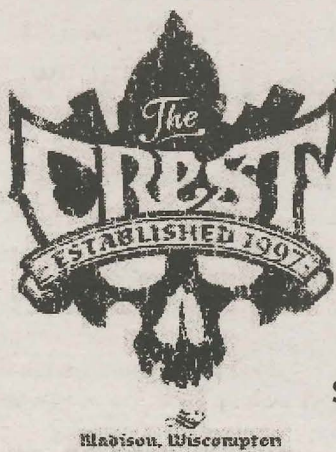
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Act / *why it's good*

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but that all legislation passed has limited liberties in some way.

"Government in itself is a violation of civil liberties," said Van Hollen.

Van Hollen stressed that the ability of law enforcement to do a delayed notice search has been in affect for more than 30 years, but up until the Patriot Act, there was no consistency in its use. The Patriot Act has made it clear that unless you are a suspected terrorist, it would be impossible to do a delayed search in a constitutional manner.

Another controversy is the

ability to search library records. Again, Van Hollen says that law enforcement has always had the ability to do this.

Now, however, there is a higher burden of proof to get allowance to check those records. He also mentioned that, to date, the ability to check library records has never been used.

Lastly, the Patriot Act gives law enforcement the opportunity to share information. It's not only an opportunity, it's actually required. This is how they caught the Unabomber. Van Hollen stressed that the Patriot Act was

allowing law enforcement to do the things they have always done, only more effectively. It allows them to keep up with technology.

"The Patriot Act is a great piece of legislation that finally advanced us," said Van Hollen.

The last part of Van Hollen's presentation was about his current campaign for attorney general. He outlined his three biggest concerns which he plans to tackle immediately if he is elected for the position: terrorist prevention, government fraud and the growing use and production of methamphetamine.

NEWS for the COLLEGE attention span

Cheney shoots his friend

After a day of not telling the press that he shot his friend, Harry Wittington, in the face and chest, Vice President Dick Cheney finally publically apologized. Wittington suffered a mild heart attack after one of the pellets of birdshot entered his heart. Wittington is said to have gone to pick up a dead quail and got into the line of Cheney's fire, although Cheney insists that it was not Wittington's fault. Luckily for both men, Cheney always has a team of medical professionals by his

side and they quickly came to the rescue of the downed man.

Is the hospital safe?

Between 2000 and 2004 there were 38,000 claims of wrong prescriptions and over dosages of drugs handed out to Americans. Some claims show patients getting seven times the amount of needed heart dose medicine, while others show three different blood thinning drugs being given to one person. Not to mention the times the hospitals failed to give insulin to victims who needed it. The U.S. Institute of Medicine estimates that 98,000 people die yearly from these types of medical mistakes worldwide. According to their most recent report, about 24 percent of the problems exist from getting the wrong prescription from the beginning, and another 24 percent are gained in transcription because of sloppy handwriting.

Her leg was stolen twice

Melissa Huff, a 16-year-old sophomore from California, has now had her prosthetic leg stolen twice. The first one, worth \$10,000 was stolen when someone cut through a screen in her home and stole various video games from the house. The second one, donated by her doctor and several finance companies, worth \$16,000, was stolen again from her room several days ago, but with no sign of anything else missing. Melissa was using the new leg to play softball and remain active in sports at her high school. She lost her real leg two years ago after she was struck by a car.

Hall / *violators will be fined*

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mails, we look like we have more problems," Jutz said.

The reasoning behind the e-mails is to try to find the person who committed the crime so they can be charged with the damage they have inflicted to the building.

"I don't like charging a whole floor or the whole hall for something one person did," said Jutz.

The e-mailing method has seemed to work, according to Jutz. It helps the residents learn to respect the property.

"Because we're upperclassmen, we try to handle problems as adults," Jutz said.

If the person responsible for damage is found, then that person is charged with a fine. He/she is asked to go to the lobby desk and is given a damage assessment form to fill out.

If a guest staying with a resident creates damage to the property and they cannot be located, then whomever was hosting the visitor will be fined.



Kristie Wilson/Stoutonia

This is how the kitchen in Red Cedar Hall should look, before and after students are using it. One of the biggest problems has been getting people to clean up pizza messes.

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Vandalism needs to be stopped



Staff Editorial The Stoutonia Staff

There seems to be something happening at the University of Wisconsin-Stout that you may or may not have participated in. Although, if you have, you probably haven't or won't ever admit it.

It's something that seems to have been going on for quite some time.

Some places where this has been taking place include Red Cedar Hall, as well as other dorms and in the Applied Arts Building.

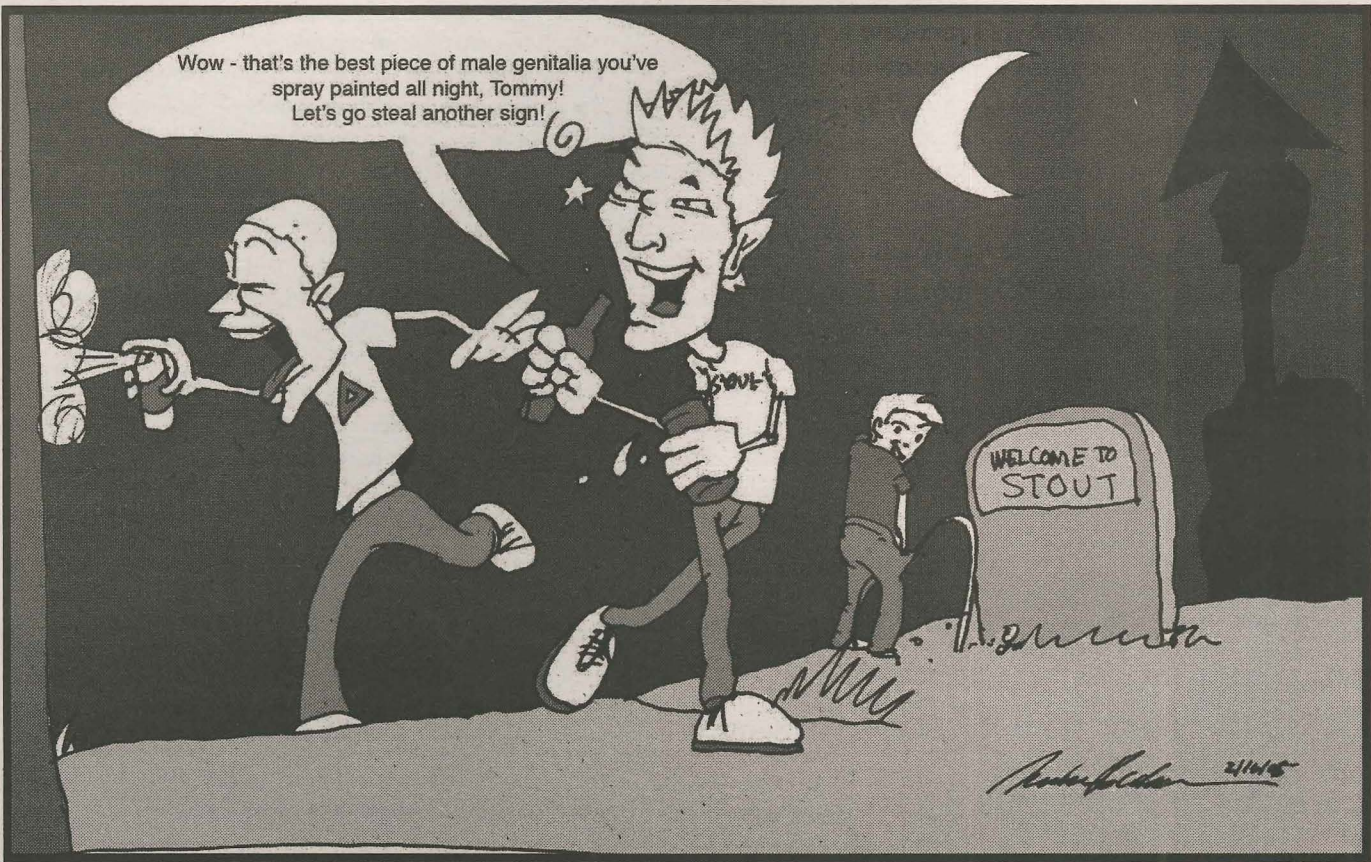
Unfortunately, it's vandalism, and it has been rumored that it has recently been taking place more often, especially in Red Cedar Hall.

This is supposed to be an upper-classmen dorm, so one would think that this would be a place where you wouldn't see vandalism or at least not as much.

Maybe it's not necessarily residents of the dorm that are committing these immature acts of disrespect, but this isn't the only place that it is taking place.

Just last September, three banners advertising for the upcoming Career Conference were stolen.

In December 2004, a giant Sponge Bob was stolen from the north Menomonie Burger King and placed on top of Harvey Hall, and in 1969, the "S" from the Bowman clock tower was stolen and tossed into the Red



Cedar River.

Obviously, different acts of vandalism are not uncommon at UW-Stout. But why do people insist on doing these things?

We are supposed to be mature, responsible college students. Then again, maybe there is a reason this is happening more at this college level: alcohol.

Alcohol can be the cause of many regrettable acts, but that's a whole other story.

It seems that most vandalism is taking place in the dorms.

Perhaps this is because students have less respect here. They don't really think

of the things there as belonging to them, so they don't care about them as much.

So what can be done about this problem? In Red Cedar Hall, e-mails encouraging people to confess are sent out whenever something occurs, and it seems that this actually works.

In the other dorms, it doesn't seem like there is as much action taken to find the culprit. Instead, everyone in the building gets charged, unless someone does end up coming forward, and that's the end of it.

Maybe there should be more e-mails being sent out. Keeping track of friends

when drinking could also reduce the amount of vandalism that takes place.

Making sure you know where your friends are and not letting them do things they wouldn't normally do when sober would probably greatly reduce this problem.

Not all acts of vandalism are looked upon negatively, however.

On the first and third floors of Applied Arts, there are many drawings and writings in the men's bathrooms.

When the first pictures didn't get washed off, the trend was continued and others continued to add to the "art."

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Michael Graney
Columnist

Did everyone witness that beauty of competition that comes along every two years?

The Olympics are a magical time, whether they are the summer or winter games, it is a magical thing to behold. It is amazing to see all of these countries coming together for something rather peaceful in the form of athletic competitions.

What becomes even more special is that it is considered an honor just to be at the Olympics. The opening ceremony is always a favorite of mine. One sees all the countries parade into the stadium with the athletes taking out their cameras and camcorders taping the proceedings.

It is a special event, one that often makes me go to the world atlas to see where certain countries are located.

There are so many humanitarian stories of people finally getting there, defying the odds. The athletes are there for the chance to compete.

What disappoints me is the modern media's coverage of the Olympics. I understand the need to display a lot about the "home" team, but the idea of a medal count sickens me. I want to just watch the competition, to enjoy the different events and see events that very rarely get any airtime here (like curling, the ski jump and the biathlon). It is also amazing to see the athletes pursue something elusive, yet at the same time have full enjoyment of the moment.

I also hate constantly reading about only the potential favorites in any given event. I want to see the whole thing. With the current digital technologies used in television, one would think the entire

events could be telecasted from beginning to end on the different channels, as well as all the medal ceremonies.

Yet, when I'm looking into the special online Olympic section of the New York Times, all I see is information about things like Michelle Kwan potentially dropping out of the Olympics or Apolo Anton Ohno not making the finals.

I can understand and appreciate the interest when Michelle Kwan did drop out of her "final" Olympic appearance after re-injuring her groin. She has done a lot for the sport and has been a major star for a while. But where is the coverage of the men's finals 1500 meter short track?

Because an American didn't make it into the finals, does that mean the rest of the race is shot? I think not; I want to read about that final race. I want to read about the different countries competing in the bobsled. If one goes to the Olympic Web site, it becomes

apparent that the U.S. is just a part of a larger picture.

Are we that competitive that if it doesn't make us look fantastic we can't read and enjoy the rest of the competition's accomplishments? I would hope we aren't that egocentric as a country. I wish the spirit of the Olympics would spread beyond athletic competitions to how people treat each other.

Maybe I'm missing something, but what I have always enjoyed about the Olympics was a seeming respect for each athlete to have made it. Could we try to have that same respect amongst all nations? When one comes down to it, we all share one planet. A new one for humanity doesn't seem to be in the making any time soon.

Why is it on Sesame Street we can see people sharing and in the Olympics we see different countries sharing the spotlight, but we can't combine the two into one solid relationship model for the whole world to use?

Check your fly



Matt Schubbe
Columnist

"Oh, this is bunk..." I quietly exclaimed to myself as I sat down at my desk earlier this week. Nothing out of the ordinary had happened that day. I had gone to class, then to work and then had come home to sit at my desk and enjoy a quality piece of toast (we have the world's greatest toaster at my place, stop by if you don't believe me).

But as I sat down, I felt something, "a new sensation." And sorry, INXS, I was not ready for it. What I felt was a breeze. In my crotch. I looked down as quickly as I could and what did my eyes happen to find?

My fly was down. Brilliant. And so began the usual line of mental questioning and retracing of steps that comes with the discovery that one's zipper is quite the opposite of zipped.

"How long has my barn door been open?" I wondered aloud. And then followed up with "When did I unzip my pants today?" A disheartening thought crossed my mind: what if I had never zipped them up?

What if, in getting dressed this morning, I had been in a rush to get to class and just plum forgot? I had had two classes that morning and worked all afternoon. Had I really been enjoying free air conditioning in my pants for THAT long?

I thought harder, and then I remembered the truth. I had stopped for a quick break in the restroom at work earlier that day. Now, I work at the Commons in the back storeroom, and during my shift today I was unloading various dry goods all over the place.

My stop at the little boy's room occurred about halfway through my shift, which means (if my math is correct) that I had been walking around with my pants unzipped for at least two hours in the Commons.

Not only that, but I had to walk all the way back to North Campus after that, right down the main drag through town. I even ran into one of my roommates on the way back, and even he didn't say anything to me about my errant zipper.

Either everyone in this town is VERY kind, or I just got extremely lucky. But who knows, if I didn't notice until the two and a half hour mark that everyone could see what cartoon characters happened to grace my boxers today, then maybe no one else did, either. But be that as it may, it's still pretty embarrassing.

No real lesson here, just zip up your pants before you go anywhere. Or get Velcro pants. Those would just make re-panting yourself fun.

Railroad stocks prove to be great investment

Improving market share, net incomes provide evidence that investment is paying off



Shawn Peter
Columnist

Investing in a railroad company would seem rather foolish considering the number of trucks and other forms of transportation on the road which seem faster and more modern.

However, the characteristics of being a slow, inefficient or out dated form of transportation are common stereotypes of the rail industry, which simply aren't true.

I did a ton of research and have been following the industry since I was literally in diapers, (no kidding). True, I have a passion, but I also had many good reasons to put my money into railroad stocks.

If you followed the series, it's not the only stocks I put money in. It's smart to diversify in many industries. I want to explain why I think railroad

stocks are great buys, hopefully you agree.

Throughout most of the world, railroads became nationalized into the government. In the United States, railroads are private entities.

Although the rail industry in North America saw rough times during the 1970s and 1980s, it has turned into a success story that should be studied.

Today, the railroad industry consists of seven class one railroads. The Surface Board of Transportation (the regulating body for the railroads) defines a class one railroad as exceeding \$277.7 million in operating revenue.

From largest to smallest, they include: Union Pacific (UNP), Burlington Northern Santa Fe (BNI), Canadian National (CNI), CSX Transportation (CSX), Canadian Pacific (CPI), Norfolk Southern (NSC) and the Kansas City Southern (KCS). The stock symbols are in parenthesis.

There are also at least a dozen regional and short line railroads in the United States,

but, for simplicity, the class one railroads will be the focus.

Railroads transport coal, inter-model trailers/containers, grain, chemicals, petroleum, metals, lumber, automobiles and other aggregates. Overall, industry revenues and net incomes increased significantly in the last couple of years.

For example, one of the best managed railroads in the country, the NSC, reported revenues of \$6.1 billion and a net income of \$375 million in 2001. In 2005, they reported record revenues of \$8.5 billion and a net income of almost \$1.3 billion.

To give an example, in 2005 the rail industry revenues increased 12 percent from 2004, traffic in ton miles increased 5 percent, inter-model volume set a record 10.4 percent increase, accounting for more than 11 million trailers and containers being moved annually. The railroads employ approximately 160,000 employees and expect to hire 80,000 new employees by 2012.

The economy is certainly a factor for growth. A greater factor is that over the last 15

years, the class one railroads spent billions to build new multi-million dollar inter-model facilities, upgrade track, increase capacity (in some areas like Nebraska and Wyoming to triple track mainlines) and purchase more efficient and powerful locomotives.

In 2003, the Union Pacific opened Global 3, which is a state of the art inter-model facility near Rochelle, Ill. The price tag was \$250 million, which is a significant investment for a \$12 billion company. Their investment is paying off, and their improving market share proves it three years later.

Heavy capital investment will continue because of the increasing demand for rail transportation. The railroad companies have not seen rapid growth for 50 years and cannot react fast enough. This is why I decided to invest in the industry.

There are many industries that have the same potential. I hope you found my series informative and worth your time to read. Good luck investing!

Strength comes with loss



Lindsey Schuldt
News Editor

Loss.

We've all felt it.

It's one of those words that makes you wish you could take out a Band-Aid, put it on the boo-boo and make all of the negative emotion that comes from it disappear.

This column may seem a little more somber than some of my others, but I think in order to understand strength of character, you must first learn to understand and appreciate the strength of overcoming loss.

Yet how do we explain loss without explaining hope?

When my nephew passed away, I wanted to explain to my other nephew that there was hope he would still have a little brother or sister someday.

But he looked at me and told me that I didn't need to worry.

He told me that he was a big boy, and big boys don't cry.

It's his unknowing innocence that makes his honesty so real.

That's how I would explain hope.

So how do we then explain loss without explaining fear?

Over the New Year, I was in the emergency room, and this little child in the nearest room

was pleading with his mother not to let the nurse put a needle in his arm.

And I heard the nurse say, ever so sweetly, "We have Spiderman Band-Aids."

The screaming stopped almost immediately.

That's how I would explain dealing with the fear.

There's a superhero somewhere out there that will mask the fear.

It will cover it up, and if you bite your lip when it really hurts, it will protect your wounds after it's over.

Superheroes are the absence of fear.

Then how do we explain loss without explaining the pain?

I've only seen my older brother cry a handful of times.

One day after high school, we came home to find his dog, Buster, had accidentally hung himself on his cage.

My brother is a rock in my life; never have I ever thought he was weak or vulnerable. But on this day, I watched him cry. I saw him hurt.

I looked at him, and it made me hurt.

This is how I would explain pain.

The inability to stop the hurt but the rare appreciation that there's something worth hurting over.

So how, then, do you explain loss, without explaining beauty?

Loss can make you weak. It can be something that will separate you from your normal

surroundings; like lone roses that grow from the cement.

How does one single seed, of an incredibly delicate flower, break through the dirt, gravel and cement to emerge more beautiful than any other before it?

Because it felt the loss.

Because it's only option was to grow, or die.

And it lived.

That's how I explain beauty.

So I guess that the last question, is how do you explain loss without explaining strength?

You can't.

Strength evolves from loss.

Adam and Eve were kicked out of the Garden of Eden for sinning.

Their loss allowed them to find the strength to keep their faith.

Six million Jews were killed in the Holocaust, but there were others who survived.

Their incredible loss made them some of the strongest and amazing people to ever grace history.

Martin Luther King Jr. died fighting for his God given right to live freely, and all of his supporters let their loss fuel their strength to keep on moving forward.

Me? I've lost almost everything at some point or another, and not to quote Elton John, but "I'm still standing."

My loss is momentary.

But my strength of character?

It's invincible.

Get involved



Drew Retherford
Columnist

The university structure enables us, the student body, to become involved in more than 120 student run organizations, not to mention all the NCAA sanctioned athletics.

Club sports, and campus organizations are the best way to enjoy spending your time outside of the classroom, without resorting to the bottle.

Yes, college students in Menomonie can have fun without becoming inebriated.

When was a naïve, big-headed freshman type, I didn't see anything that sounded like I would enjoy participating in.

If I had known that starting my own club would have been so rewarding, I would have been at the SSA the first day of class begging to start my own club.

Luckily for this distraught individual, my sophomore year, a good friend of mine did exactly that. In 2002 the Stout Disc Golf Club was born.

The SDGC hosts tournaments, has league nights and travels to play in competitions. Alfresco, a recent addition to my involvement on campus, travels like it's going out of style.

Stout Adventures is another club that gets you excited about school for the same reason: involvement and travel.

Menomonie is a good town, but staying here every weekend can become monotonous. Join a club and get out of town.

Not your average spring break

By Tabitha Martin
Campus Writer

Imagine a spring break where you will be in a warm, sunny place surrounded by other students from all over the country cleaning, working and building all day.

This may not be the ideal for many of the University of Wisconsin-Stout's spring breakers, but this spring break is ideal for the 90 students who are passing up trips to Cancun and the Bahamas for the greater good.

These 90 students will travel 22 hours in a bus to Hancock and Harrison Counties in Mississippi to spend a week working hard to improve the lives of those hardest hit in that state by Hurricane Katrina. They will help to clean and rebuild what was lost in the wake of the hurricane. They will also spend their time working with the children affected by the disaster as well.

This alternative trip was

coordinated by Sandi Meinsen, the Student Services coordinator at UW-Stout. Each student has paid \$150 to participate in these

efforts. This coordinated effort was made with the cooperation of the Involvement and Leadership Center located in the MSC,

Housing and Residence Life and University Centers.

The activities that the students will be participating in—

which includes cleaning, construction and working with the children—have been coordinated with the Boys and Girls Club as well as Community Collaborations International.

According to Meinsen, organizers have sought out sponsorship from a number of student organizations such as the Stout Student Association and the Inter Residence Hall Association.

Within the first two days of the announcement of this program, there were 90 applicants ready to go and there are still another 60 on waiting lists. This is a sign that students at UW-Stout really do have a desire to help and participate in bettering their community while gaining an education.

The students will be staying at the Icare Volunteer Village in tents. They are prepared to "get dirty, sweaty and maybe even smelly" to help a great cause.



Source: www.ritaimages.com

During spring break, 90 University of Wisconsin-Stout students will go to Hancock County, Mississippi, to help clean up the most severe hurricane damage in the state. The cost per student is \$150.

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'End of Suburbia' contends suburban living is unsustainable

By Jennifer Gauthier
Campus Writer

In the 1950s, something strange happened in America. Great hordes of people moved out of their communities to a created environment, to the tune of about one million new houses built every year. It was made possible by automobile transportation and America's shiny, new highway system, and so, suburbs were born.

The University of Wisconsin-Stout's environmental organization, Greensense, showed "The End of Suburbia," in Applied Arts 210, Feb. 8-10.

The film addressed how and why suburbs were created and more importantly, what their effect is on the United State's current situation and what will happen when energy becomes more expensive and scarce.

Suburbs were built out of direct range from the "dirty" city, the noise and pollution. To dwellers, they were a promise of country living close to civilization. The film asserts that the suburbs captured the worst of both worlds—a false promise of the coveted American dream.

For the first time in history, we have created a new system of habitation where people live far from where they work, play and shop. Population density there is so low, the only realistic transportation available is by car. There aren't any neighborhood bars or restaurants and no places to spend time with the people you live near without first arranging a meeting.

Unlike cities, the film contends, the suburbs have no sense of place—no real history. Suburb dwellers can't take a walk on quiet roads or in the woods; thousands of identical, manicured lawns do not constitute country living.

"Suburbs have many shortcomings," said Rachel Bernstein, a freshman majoring in hospitality and tourism. "If there is an oil crisis as predicted by energy consultants, the suburbs will end up being essentially useless due to the lack of transportation from the homes to retail centers and places of employment."

Because of cheap and readily available energy, people flocked to the suburbs. Gas and energy prices allowed many to drive as much as they wished and heat as large of houses as they could afford. They liked their driving fantasies on winding roads with whimsical names and their shiny new SUVs. The fantasy is unsustainable because, in order for suburbia to continue to

tend to only think about the future and what money and power it will bring to us."

"We don't think about what our actions are resulting in and do not take responsibility for those results," said Kaiser.

Kaiser is critical of society's behaviors and habits in regards to the environment.

"How many students do you see throwing their trash on the ground and driving to a class that is only three minutes away," said Kaiser.

The idea of "peak oil" has become a hot topic among few Americans; many people don't even know what it means.

"Peak oil is used to

"When this occurs, we will have a number of serious problems that will have a grave affect on our individual lives. This is a real issue that our generation must take into consideration when making decisions today," said Chabalowski.

The United States has reached its peak of oil production, according to energy experts, and once the world's oil production peaks, it will only become more expensive to extract and it will be of lower quality.

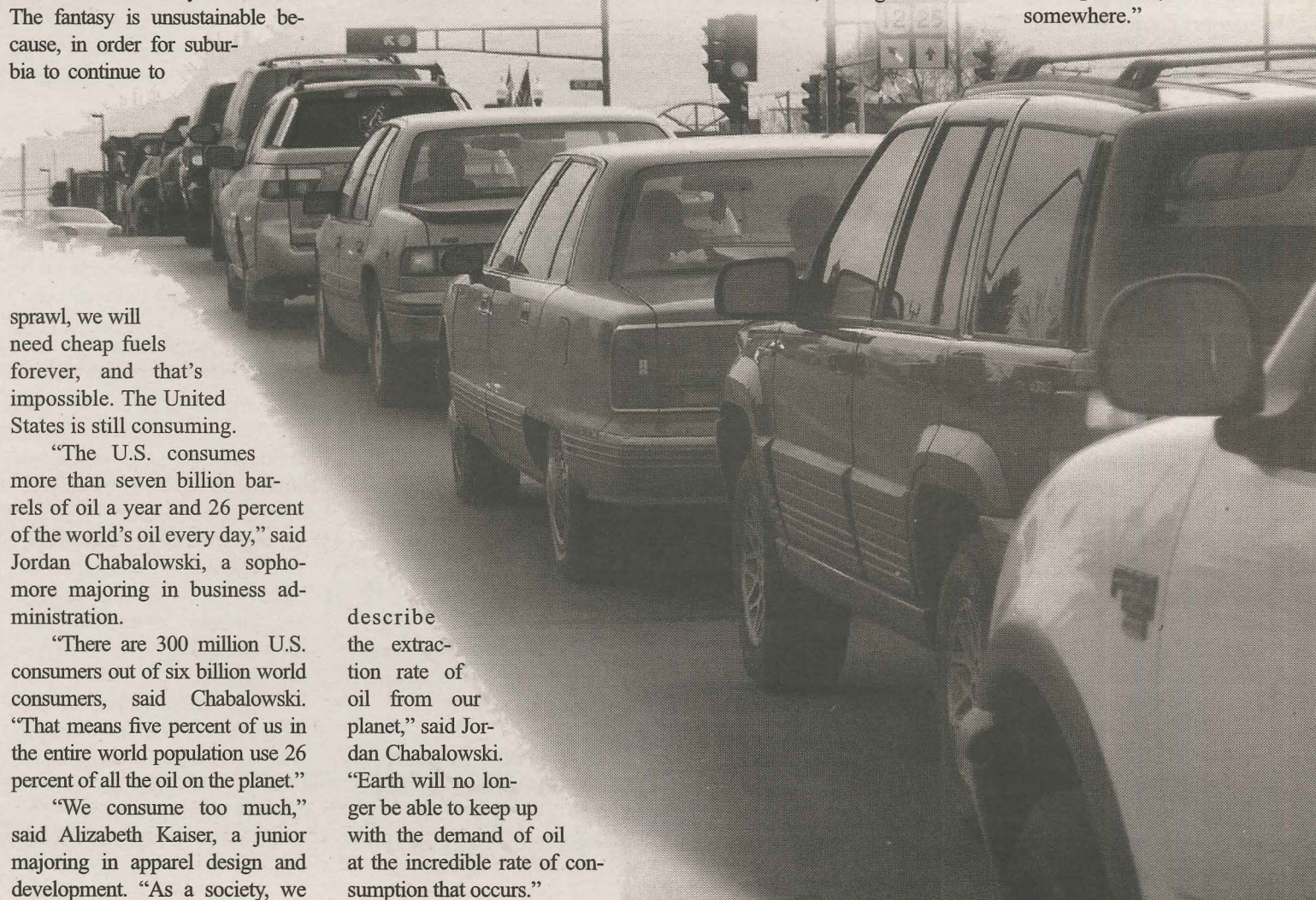
What will be the effects? No one really knows. The film estimated that two million jobs and seven trillion dollars in the stock market could be lost in America alone, along with

the disappearance of the middle class and greatly increased petroleum prices. And no one claims to have any quick solutions.

Is it all hopeless, then? There are some things that everyone can do to help keep the impending energy crunch less painful for us all.

"It can be as simple as consistently writing letters and making phone calls to your representative and producers of manufactured goods," said Chabalowski.

"Changing your lifestyle so you're using mass transit more often and buying local products [can make a difference too]," said Chabalowski. "Every little bit helps. Everyone has to start somewhere."



sprawl, we will need cheap fuels forever, and that's impossible. The United States is still consuming.

"The U.S. consumes more than seven billion barrels of oil a year and 26 percent of the world's oil every day," said Jordan Chabalowski, a sophomore majoring in business administration.

"There are 300 million U.S. consumers out of six billion world consumers," said Chabalowski. "That means five percent of us in the entire world population use 26 percent of all the oil on the planet."

"We consume too much," said Alizabeth Kaiser, a junior majoring in apparel design and development. "As a society, we

describe the extraction rate of oil from our planet," said Jordan Chabalowski. "Earth will no longer be able to keep up with the demand of oil at the incredible rate of consumption that occurs."

First black students on campus

By Katie Triphan
Campus Writer

According to one story, Booker T. Washington came to Menomonie at one time to discuss education with James Huff Stout, but the hotels in town turned him away. Stout in turn opened up his house to Mr. Washington so that he would still be able to come and talk with him about the topic of education and have a place to stay.

If this story is true, then it is not

and was a member of the Glee Club.

In every discernible respect Bradshaw was treated like a typical student of the time, which is amazing considering Bradshaw was the first and only minority attending the school, and probably one of the very few black people living in Menomonie at the time.

Despite Bradshaw's early admittance to the school, it

black homecoming queen candidate, Paulette Dean, a psychology major from Milwaukee.

Though Dean did not win the contest that year, five short years later a black student by the name of Janet Jones, "JJ," did win the title to become Stout's first black homecoming queen, telling *The Stoutonia*, "I'm in pure heaven, shock and ecstasy!"

Although the lower-end number of minority students that attend Stout has remained relatively unchanged over the years, Stout has, however, been the host to many influential black leaders who have come to speak on campus, among them Julian Bond, Angela Davis and Coretta Scott King.

In 1970, Julian Bond, a civil rights leader who later served in the Georgia legislature as both a Representative and as a Senator, spoke to an audience of 600 in the Johnson Fieldhouse about "black repression, and white people's lack of will to grant black people their freedom."

He stated that white America should be forced to grant greater freedoms to black people and is quoted in *The Stoutonia* saying, "conflict and struggle are necessary for social change."

Bond went on to say, "While American society has always presented an opportunity for some black people to rise to affluence, it has not yet shown any willingness to change its 350 year old history of repression based on race and a system that believes its property is more important than people."

Two short years after Bond visited Stout, Angela Davis came to speak on campus. *The Stoutonia* recounts the event as being rather low-key despite students expecting a rather "explosive type of talk."

Davis talked about Nixon and his "lack of accomplishments"

and about "capitalists and their influence on the nation's people and economy."

Though many quotes in *The Stoutonia* regarding the event express disappointment about the speech calling it "nothing," or saying "she wasn't worth the money," there were those who were impressed with Davis's speech and her appearance on campus stating, "She's a figurehead. I think it's wonderful for her to come here and relate to black students as well as white students."

In 1984, Coretta Scott King came and lectured during Black History Month about how young adults must be politically active in order to carry on the ideals of the civil right's movement.

She went on to say that, "Too many people are not voting. In the 1980 election, the 18-24 age group had the lowest turnout—less than four percent of eligible voters actually voted. It's not enough to just care—we must act on the values we hold, and a good place to start is the ballot box."

She also explained that it was up to students to monitor elected representatives. At the close of her speech King stated, "(Martin Luther King's) method of love and non-violence is needed today more than ever before. The dream lives within each one of us as long as we believe, if we hope."



UW-Stout Archives/Area Research Center

Coretta Scott King came to UW-Stout to lecture on being politically active. Her speech invoked mixed feelings among the audience.

surprising to learn that as early as 1914, 23 years after the Manual Training School opened, it admitted—and two years later graduated—its first minority: a black student named Raymond Bradshaw.

Bradshaw, nicknamed "Brad," lettered in football playing right end; the Stout Tower yearbook from 1915 stated his position "was well filled." Bradshaw also played clarinet, acted in local plays

would be decades until Stout would again see minorities on campus; most being Japanese-American refugees from concentration camps on the west coast during World War II and people from the territory of Hawaii. It is tough to pinpoint the exact date, but it is believed that the first female black students did not appear on campus until some time in the 1960s.

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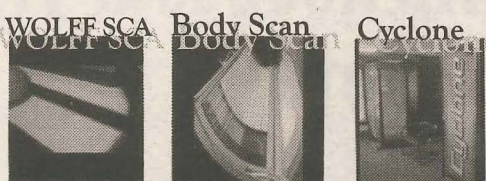
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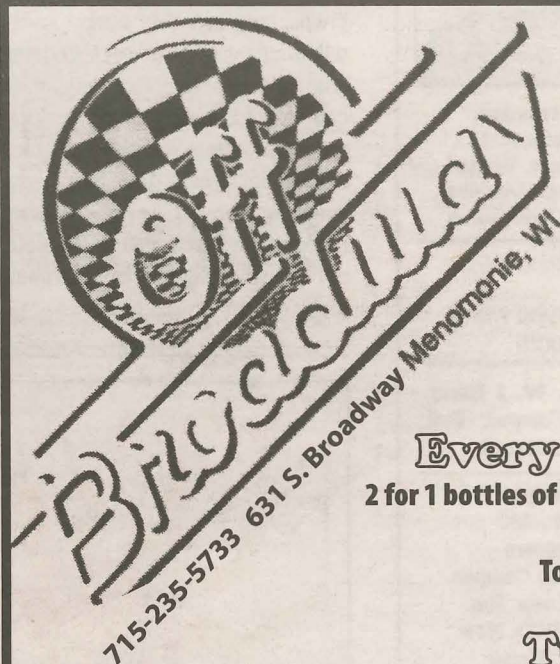
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Get Comfortable in the Student Center



Lindsey Adams/Stoutonia

New lounge chairs are in the concourse lounge of the Student Center. Bill Siedlecki and Lucy Nicolai, director and associate director of the Student Union

(respectively) aim to provide more comfortable areas for students to hang out and study.

"It has been working," said Cassandra Sweeney, the Build-

ing Manager. "More students are sitting there."

According to Sweeney, more new furniture will be added in the MSC in the future.

Help / Spring Break

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"After the hurricane hit, we wanted to help as much as possible and this was just one of many ideas that we had," said Meinsen. "We hope that this trip will send a message that serving the community is important, that opportunities are available to do so and that more can be done."

There is more that students who are not able to go on the trip can do to help with the relief efforts. The participants and those helping to coordinate this trip will be seeking out donations necessary

to make their time spent in Mississippi more effective. They will be raising money to buy Home Depot gift cards and construction materials that will be beneficial to the relief effort. To help them accomplish this goal, be on the lookout for their tables in the MSC, or stop by the SOC desk to find out how else you can help.

The students who are participating are committing a lot to this project and they seem excited about the experience. They will be trained in first aid and will receive disaster training to prepare them for their experi-

ences in Mississippi.

Karen Metzner, a student in the graphic design program, will be attending.

"It is important to give back to the community," said Metzner. "I think that I will walk away from this experience with a different perspective. I will get to meet new people and learn new things."

At the orientation meeting Monday night, Feb. 13, the students seemed ready to have fun and to contribute all things possible on their spring break adventure.

"This is a worthwhile cause because we will actually make a measurable difference while we are there," said Brandon Jutz, a senior in marketing and business education.

"My goal is to learn more about myself and to meet a great group of people all while helping my fellow Americans," said Jutz.

Coordinators of the spring break experience were overwhelmed by the number of students who applied. Unfortunately, they can only take so many, but look forward to the possibility of future excursions where UW-Stout students can show their pride by participating in events that will benefit not only themselves but contribute to the community as well.

SLANT

What's your favorite Chuck Norris Line?



"Chuck Norris doesn't need a condom because there is no protection from Chuck Norris."

Logan Erickson
Industrial Design
Senior



"Chuck Norris doesn't kill two birds with one stone. He kills all birds with two stones. The ones in his pants."

Joe Wiesneski
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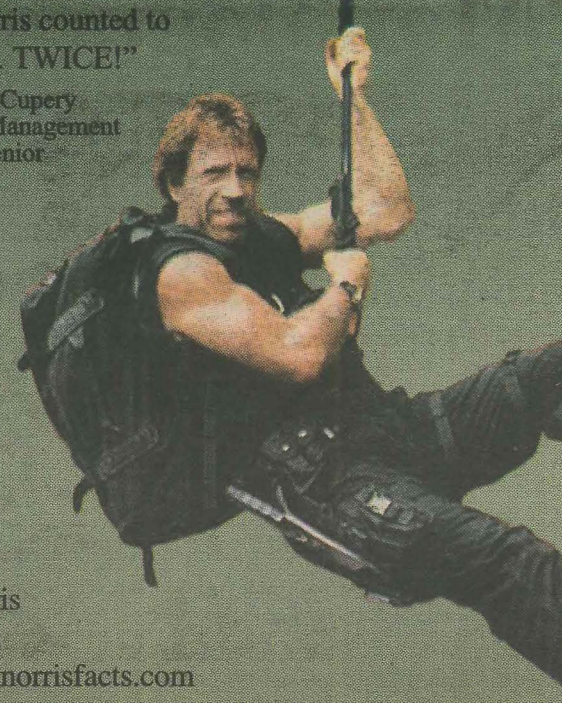
"Chuck Norris is currently suing NBC, claiming Law and Order are trademarked names for his right and left legs."

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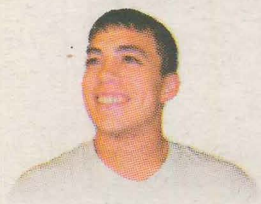
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Mike Ryan
Entertainment Writer

Vicious Vicious' Feb. 9 performance in the Blue Devil Lounge marked a return to campus for several musicians.

The opening act was the Twin Cities-based group, Friends Like These, taking the UW-Stout stage for the second time this year. Some of you may recall that last September they opened for The Hangups.

Again, Friends Like These provided the crowd with bar chord-driven, falsetto-laden tunes reminiscent of mainstream groups like The Strokes and, at times, Modest Mouse.

Continuing a mysterious practice that they started in their last show, the group had no merchandise to sell. Does this mean that they haven't created any merchandise—CDs, T-shirts, etc.—since last September? In any case, this is very unfortu-



Source: Friends Like These

The Twin-Cities-based Friends Like These made their return to the UW-Stout stage opening for Vicious Vicious. Ironically, Vicious Vicious is the side-

nate for them in light of the large crowd that came to the Rec Center. Even the band commented that they "could've taken a lot of your money." Their set was about an hour long and featured many new works.

Although the group Vicious Vicious has not been to UW-Stout this year, there was still a sense of déjà vu in their sound. I puzzled over this for a

couple of songs but soon forgot about it as I enjoyed their set. The crowd was later informed by the lead singer that Vicious Vicious was the side-project of two members of the The Hopefuls, a band that performed at UW-Stout earlier this year.

Their set was packed with guitar-driven and, at times, funky rock 'n' roll tunes. The climax came during a three-song medley

that included impressive guitar solos and some mellow, heartfelt (if melodramatic) lyrics.

Vicious Vicious is a three-piece band, but other instruments were featured by way of prerecorded tracks, which blended in nicely with the band's already tight instrumentals.

"I'm not going to lie," said freshman Sean Wilson. "Both bands were pretty different from

each other, but I guess it takes two to tango."

True enough, the two bands had remarkably different sounds, but they complimented each other nicely. Overall, it made for a great evening of music.

With luck, Vicious Vicious and Friends Like These will return once more to UW-Stout—maybe next time with merchandise.

"Monologues" raises awareness, sensitivity



Contributed: Kathryn King

The cast of UW-Stout's recent production of "The Vagina Monologues," and their lighting technician, Matt Olsen. All proceeds from the play went to benefit The Bridge to Hope, a battered women's shelter.

By Natalie Rathmann
Entertainment Writer

"Vagina, labia, vulva, clitoris." Now say it again without blushing. These words tend to be spoken either rarely or in hushed voices. The core intention of "The Vagina Monologues" is to change this.

"The Vagina Monologues" features the voices and conversations of women, showcasing their perspective on sexuality and their experiences. Other themes the play tackles relate to domestic abuse, sexual mutilation and sexual liberation.

Theresa Collis, a junior in apparel design and development, makes her directorial debut with this production. When asked why she took the project, Collis replied it was because she liked the cause.

"I have met women who have gone through abuse either through their family or relationships," said Collis. "I connected with those people and it felt right to be able to speak out about it."

One of the issues "The Vagina Monologues" tackles is the sexual mutilation of women.

In some countries, young girls are forced to undergo operations that remove their genitalia through acid burning, surgeries and cutting of the clitoris because these organs are considered dirty or unclean.

"The meaning behind it is that we are women and that we are different," said Collis. "But we shouldn't be treated differently. It is demeaning to wom-

en to be told that we should be ashamed of our sexuality or that it is grotesque. We want women to gain confidence and knowledge about their sexuality and to be confident about it."

The monologues are based on interviews that Eve Ensler, the creator of the play, had with hundreds of women of different backgrounds and ethnicities. Ensler believes that women's power is deeply rooted in their sexuality and that, as a consequence, men have made women feel ashamed of their sexuality.

The monologues encourage women to speak out about womanhood and their bodies without feeling like it is wrong or dirty.

Ensler says that women have this reluctance to talk about their sexual feelings and she realized once she got them talking, they could not stop.

"The important message is that women are strong, wonderful and independent," said freshman Katy King, a member of the cast. "Once we know ourselves, every aspect of ourselves, especially taboo aspects like our vaginas, we can be whole women."

The cast members said that the males in the audience leave with an enlightened perspective and a better understanding of women.

"That is what we want everyone to gain," said Collis.

All proceeds from "The Vagina Monologues" went to benefit The Bridge to Hope, a shelter for battered women in Menomonie.



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Harrison Ford's career hits newest low



Jarrod Burns and William Butchee

Entertainment Writers

Harrison Ford plays Jack Stanfield, the vice president of a company that has overseen the computer network security of a Seattle bank. Unfortunately for Stanfield, criminals have kidnapped his family and have demanded ransom.

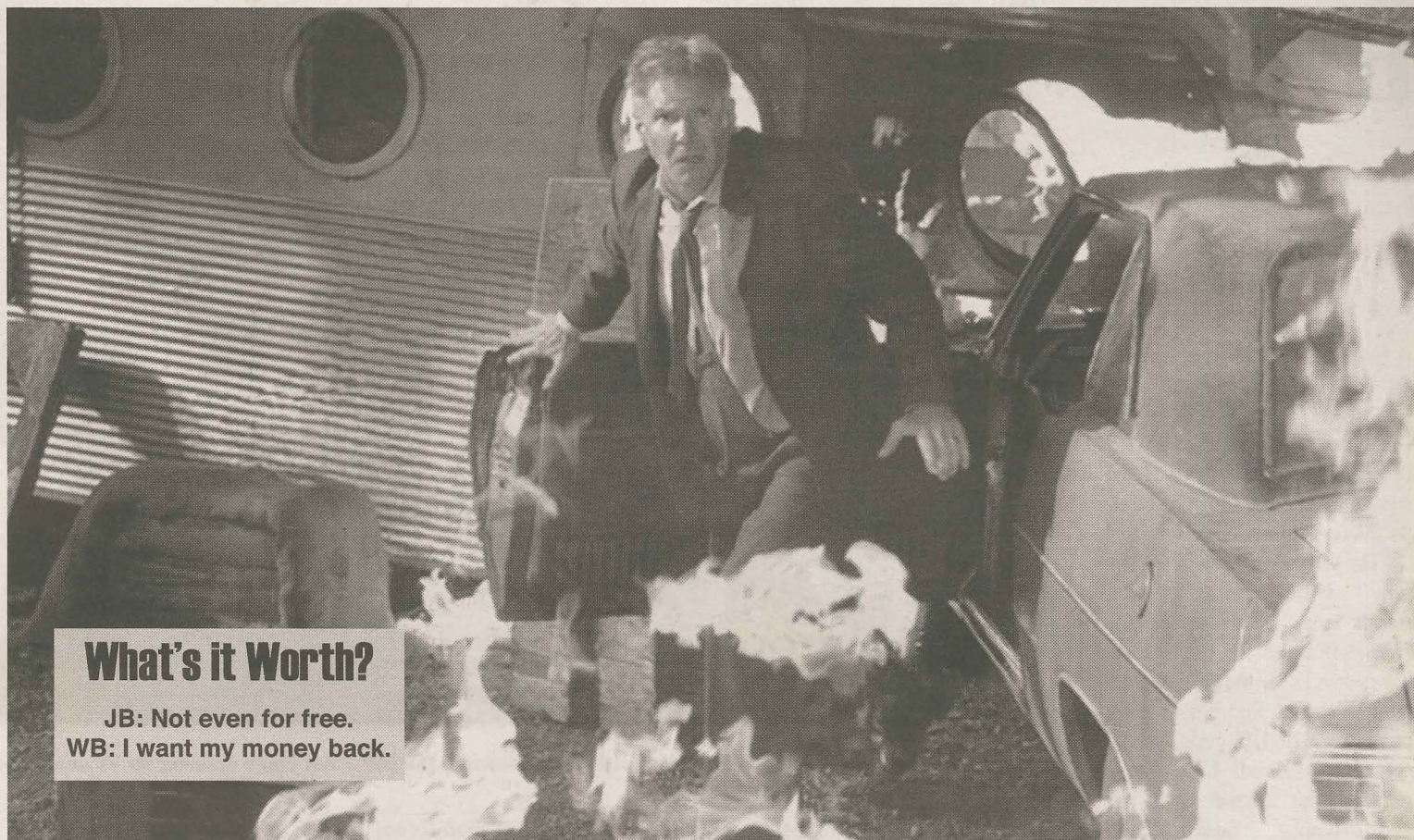
Instead of using his own money to pay them off, Stanfield is forced to find a way to override his own bank security network, which he personally designed, to acquire \$100 million.

WB: Years after "Indiana Jones" and his two Tom Clancy movies, Harrison Ford's career has been slowly tumbling. "Firewall" continues his sad decline, borrowing elements from many movies.

"Firewall" is a cut-and-paste thriller that with any other actor playing the lead would have just sent the movie straight to DVD.

JB: I'm not going to indulge in the cliché that Hollywood is running out of ideas, so I'll just say that the people that made "Firewall" have run out of ideas.

Not only was the film a major letdown in originality, it was



What's it Worth?

JB: Not even for free.
WB: I want my money back.

Harrison Ford emerges from a burning wreckage that may as well be a metaphor for his career. Exactly how many flops does Ford's career need before it can finally be called dead? However many you think, you might as well add "Firewall" to the list.

Source: www.rottentomatoes.com

poorly executed in terms of directing, editing and acting.

The only thing keeping me from falling asleep in this film was the last 30 minutes of the film, in which the pace picked up to that of an acceptable thriller.

WB: The opening credits of the movie deceive you into thinking it's going to be a smart, well thought-out thriller like "The Fugitive."

But the first five minutes of the actual movie cues you into

something a lot simpler. The editing and music alone kill the mood of the rainy city of Seattle. The crappy slow-motion kidnapping scene that triggers the rest of the movie sets up the entire slow ride to the end.

Many times in films, characters and stories will make you forgive and forget these major mistakes; unfortunately, Ford and his material make you remember.

JB: It's sad to say that Ford and the rest of this cast didn't go

out of their way to make any of their performances memorable. The only actor that really seemed to fit his role was Paul Bettany, as the head of the kidnappers.

The actors and their material follow the generic formula of the generic action thriller quite devoutly. When it's all over and you happily leave your uncomfortable theater seat, you can name dozens of movies made previous to "Firewall" that used this same formula and did it better.

WB: Most of the entertainment derived from seeing this movie is making fun of it out loud in the theater.

Every mistake and corny line is made very apparent in "Firewall" so most of the time the movie has turned itself into a comedy.

Some of the few theatergoers that actually sat in on this movie, decided to leave early.

I guess they didn't see the funny side of this cinematic bomb. Imagine that.

Chronicling the birth of Nintendo

By Ami Kriho

Entertainment Writer

While last week's article focused mainly on video games in the United States, this week the attention will turn to Japan, whose first video game company was founded in the late nineteenth century. Again, my main source of information was "The Ultimate History of Video Games" by Steven Kent.

The Marufuku Company was founded in 1889 by Fasa-jiro Yamauchi. It began as a manufacturer and distributor of Japanese playing cards, called "Hanafuda."

In 1951, Yamauchi changed the name of the company to Nintendo. However, it would be almost another 30 years before the company began making games. During that time, Japan had other companies that prospered in the video game market.

In the 1970s, two companies that put the arcade industry on the map: Taito and Namco.

Masaya Nakamura founded Namco in 1955. Similar to Taito, Namco wasn't always a video game company. Namco found its way into the video market in 1974 after it acquired the Japanese division of Atari.

Japan's first big arcade hit was Taito's "Space Invaders." Though the game did poorly its



Source: www.retrones.com

By the end of 1986, "Super Mario Bros." helped Nintendo to sell 1.8 million NES game consoles. Not bad for an Italian plumber.

first few months on the market, it soon created a 100-yen shortage in Japan. Later that year, the American company Midway introduced the game and it experienced a similar triumph.

As popular as "Space Invaders" was, it was not the most popular arcade game made. Toru Iwatani, a young pinball fan working for Namco, wanted to create a simple and nonviolent game that all could enjoy. A year later, "Puck-Man" was created.

President Masaya Nakamura was afraid that vandals would change the "P" to "F," so the name was changed to "Pac-

Man." Its feminine counterpart, "Ms. Pac-Man," became the most successful arcade game in the United States.

Although the videogame market crashed in America, in Japan, it flourished. Nintendo had enjoyed a victory with the arcade hit "Donkey Kong" in 1981, but in 1984, they released a different novelty in the market: The Famicom (Family Computer). Hiroshi Yamauchi (Fasajiro Yamauchi's grandson) was the president of Nintendo at the time, and the success of the Famicom in Japan encouraged him to revive video games in America. He left Minoru

Arakawa in charge of distributing the Famicom in America.

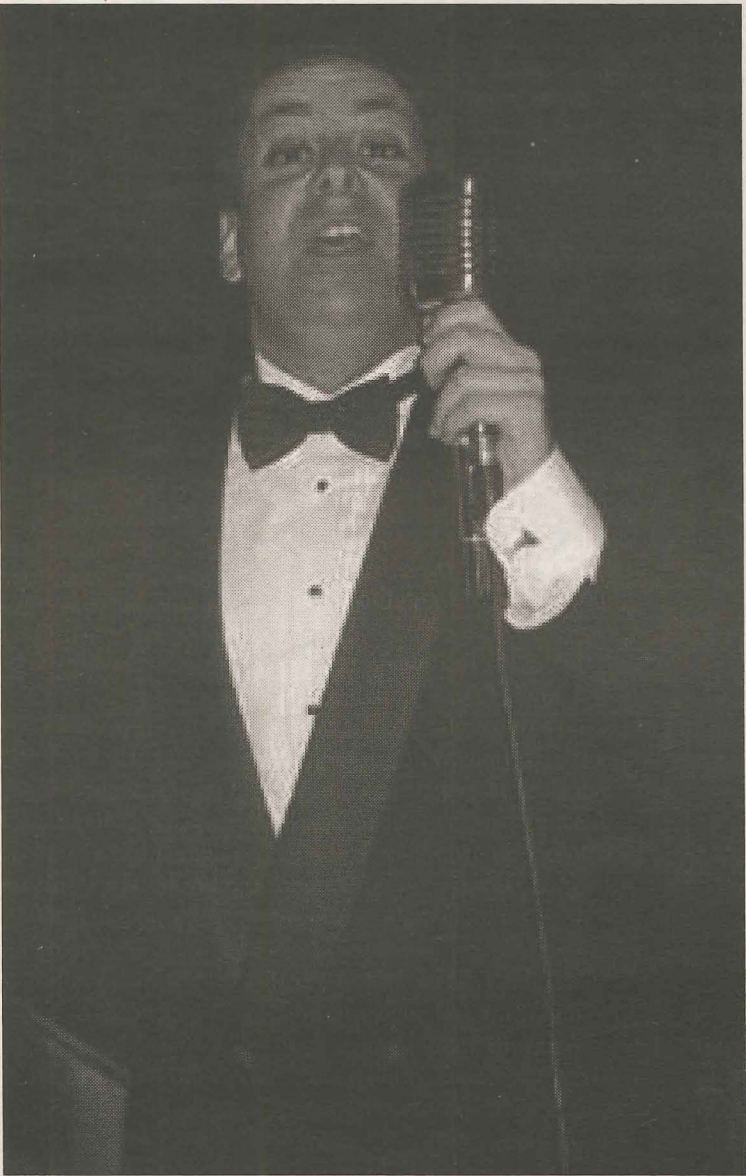
Arakawa tried once in 1983 by trying to make a deal with Atari, but due to a dispute of the legal rights to "Donkey Kong," the deal never went through. Even with the light-pistol Zapper and the Robot Operating Buddy (R.O.B), Arakawa and Nintendo were a laughing stock.

Yamauchi was furious when he found out that Arakawa wanted to give up. He knew that his system could thrive in America. Because "video game" was still a bad phrase to use, Nintendo sold their console as an "entertain-

ment system." Thus was born the Nintendo Entertainment System (NES). By the end of 1986, "Super Mario Bros." became part of the NES "bundle," Nintendo of America went national, and the NES had sold more than 1.8 million game consoles. From there, the number kept scaling up, backed by games such as "The Legend of Zelda," "Mike Tyson's Punch-Out" and "Metroid."

The reign of Nintendo would continue until an old rival came crashing into the American market with a sonic boom, bringing a harsher, "cooler" face to video games.

We can't use words like f*** or s***, but he can



Richard Cheese enjoys belting out tunes like Radio Head's "Creep" and the Beastie Boys' "Fight For Your Right" with his distinctive lounge singer flair. His latest CD is "The Sunny Side of the Moon."

Source: www.sincitysounds.com



Andrew Beckman
Entertainment Writer

Imagine your favorite contemporary song for a moment. Now imagine that song stylized into a '50s lounge act.

Hard to picture, isn't it?

Richard Cheese's latest release, "The Sunny Side Of The Moon: The Best of Richard Cheese," features his unique take on such songs as Radio Head's "Creep" and the Beastie Boys' "Fight For Your Right."

Remarkably, the CD is not only entertaining as a humorous oddity: Cheese's music is catchy and pleasing to the ear.

The first track on the CD is a spoof of Nirvana's "Rape

Me." Cheese sarcastically introduces the song by muttering, "This one's for the ladies."

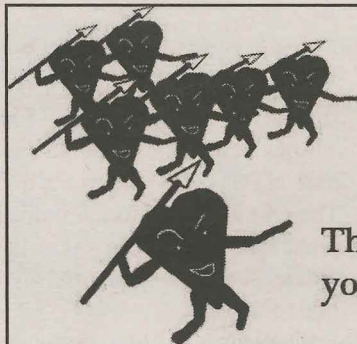
The creepy humor still fresh in mind, he starts to croon out the grunge lyrics like a Frank Sinatra from hell.

He continuously drops F-bombs and other profanities, almost relishing how they roll off his tongue—he might as well be talking about the weather to hear his tone of voice.

Cheese launches into some Slipknot, Disturbed, Limp Bizkit and Korn covers, making the grunge rock acts sound more like scenic strolls through the park.

Cheese also takes a chance with some rap tunes like "Gin and Juice" and "Badd."

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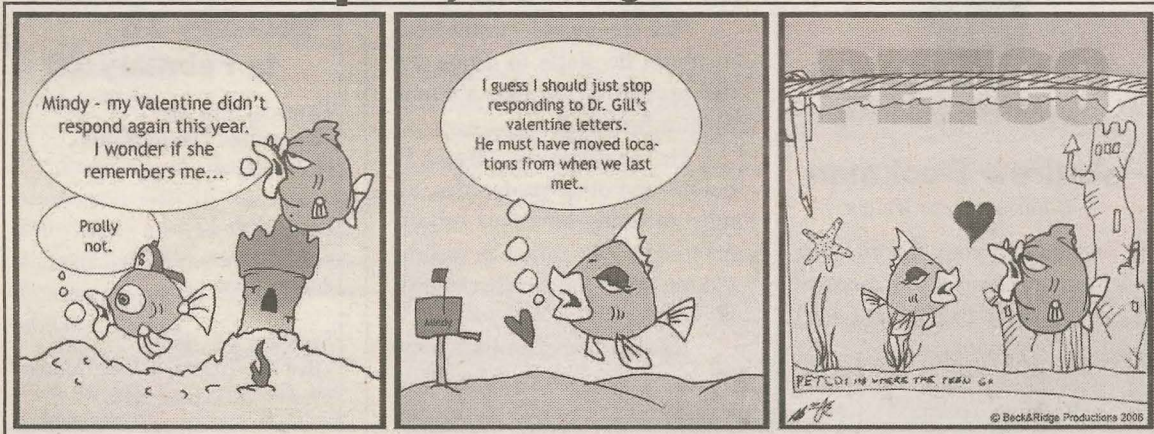
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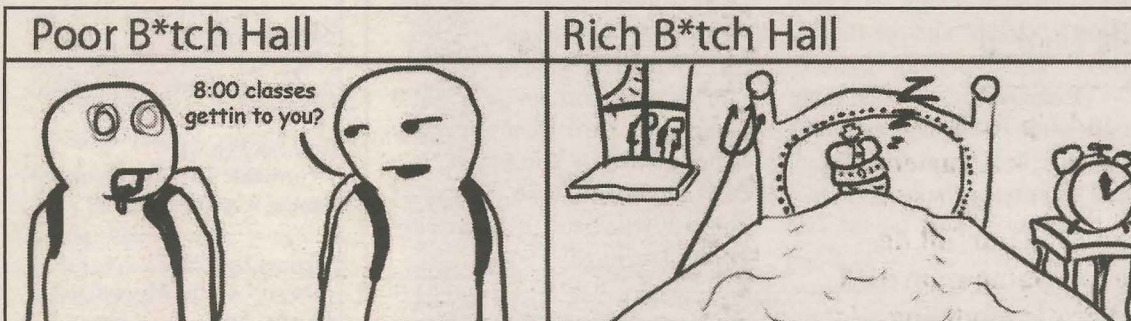
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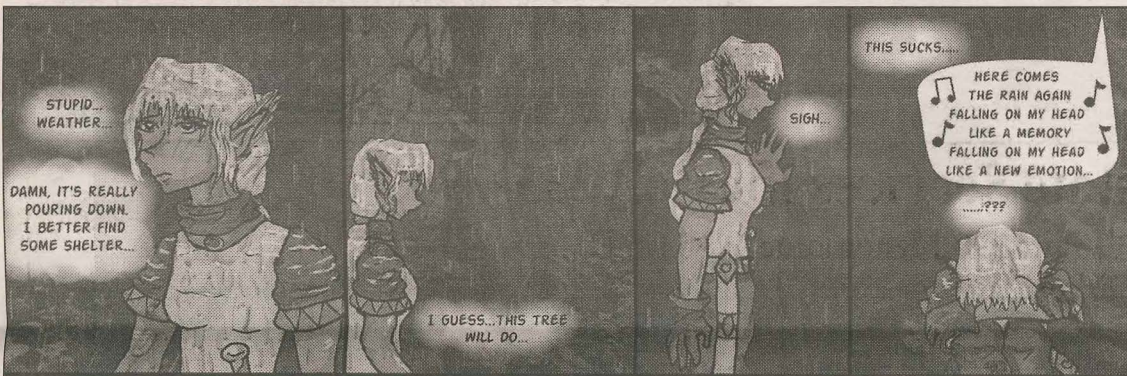
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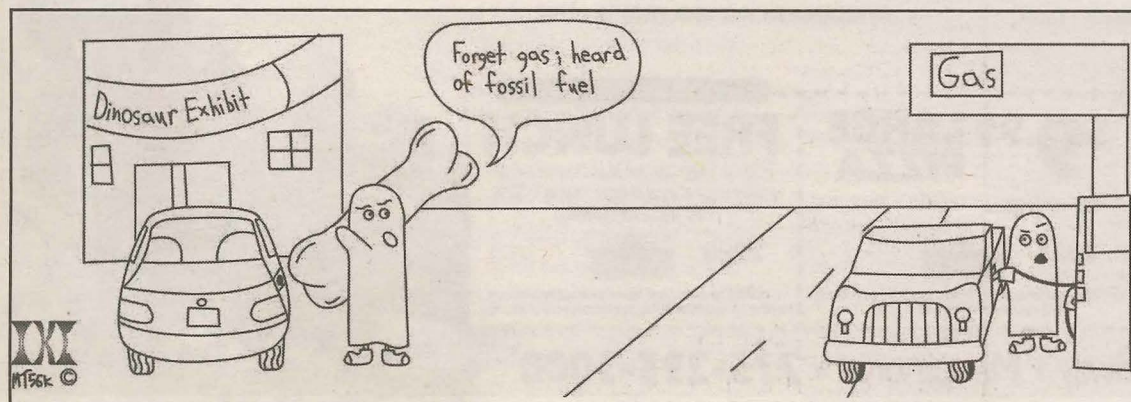
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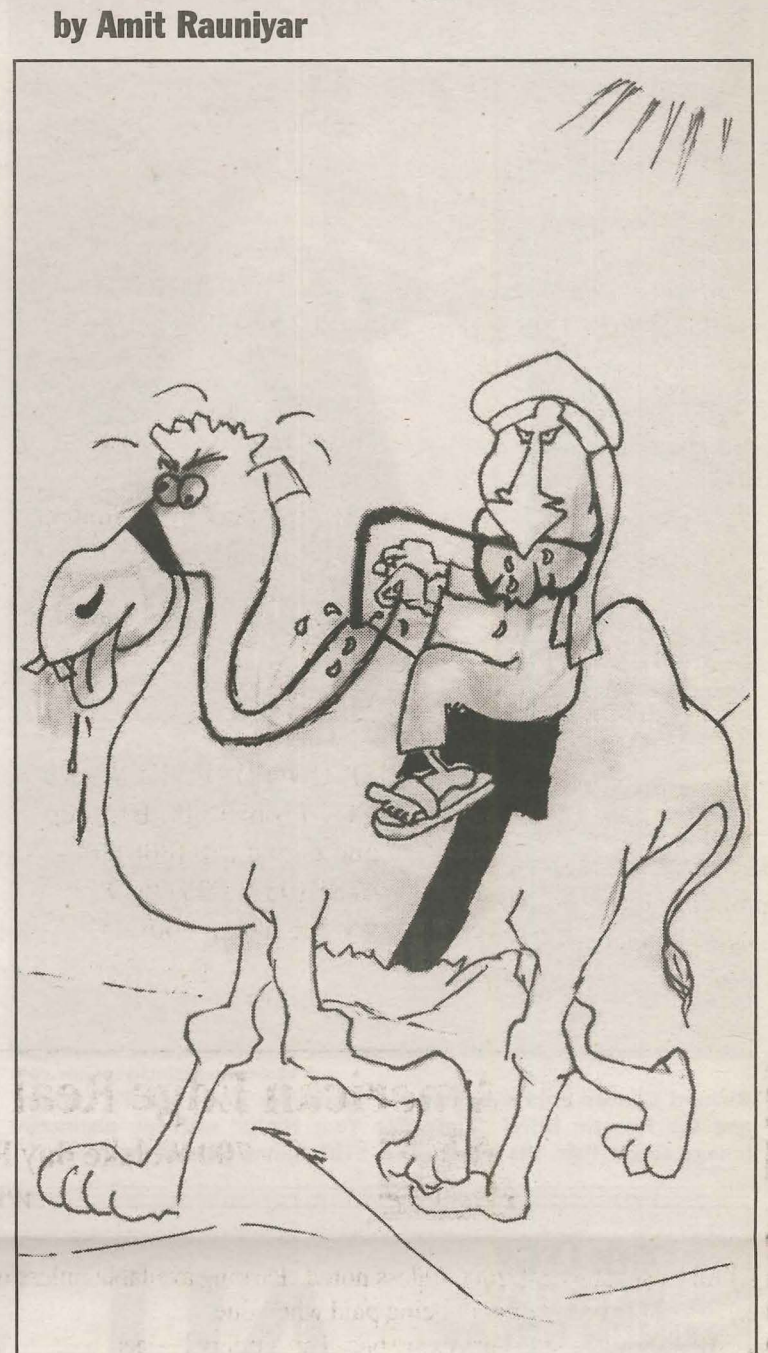
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2	1	115 West Main Street	\$380	\$190	\$500	\$250	3	6	2	415 13th Avenue West	\$1,050	\$175	\$1,330	\$222	Modern house very lrg. rooms, good location	H
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2	1	2121 5th Street #C	\$395	\$198	n/a	n/a	4	6	2	321 20th Avenue #B	\$1,200	\$200	\$1,445	\$241	New, large bedrooms, washer/dryer	4
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2	1	208 1/2 13th Avenue West	\$400	\$200	n/a	n/a	D	7	2	1415 9th Street	\$1,260	\$180	n/a	n/a	Near campus, shopping, garage and wash/dry	H
2	1	1415 44th Street West	\$410	\$205	\$540	\$270	D	7	2	207 12th Avenue West	\$1,260	\$180	n/a	n/a	Walking distance to campus, garage, porch	H
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Softball hopes to stay on the winning track

By Casey Nold
Sports Writer

The girls of the University of Wisconsin-Stout fast pitch softball team ended last season with a blowout.

The girls and their coach were very impressed with how far they took the team and the name for UW-Stout. Now, they start this season psyched to live up to the standards they left high in the air from last season.

"Our team is young this year; however, everyone is very talented and hardworking which I think will take us far," stated Megan Donley, senior and one of the five captains.

Coach Chris Stainer and the other girls know they have a lot to live up to, but all seem very positive and optimistic about the strength abilities of the new team.

Last year's team represented UW-Stout proudly and won the WIAC tournament and was the first team ever from the university to enter into the National Collegiate Athletic Association championships.

Although this year's team lacks four key players that helped bring last season's victories, the team does not doubt the potential they have for the upcoming season.

"The focus this year is to do

equally as well, but with many new faces in starting positions," said coach Stainer. The older girls are excited and prepared to do what is necessary in helping the new recruits out.

Stainer has created a new path that the girls of the fast pitch team want to take to new, higher goals for UW-Stout.

The team is heading back to Florida to compete in the Rebels Spring Games Tournament. There the girls will test their skills against teams in the top 25 in the nation.

Stainer says that with his five captains doing an outstanding job of leading this team, they are striding towards another successful year.

Chemistry is starting between the players, and the coach hopes to see the team come together over spring training. Stainer has much confidence that the young freshman will quickly learn from the more experienced players the kind of dedication that will be necessary to take this team far.

Coach Stainer said that chemistry is important on most sports teams, but especially in fast pitch for the reason that every individual player must learn their role and responsibilities and the rest of the team must trust that they will follow through.

"Being a part of the Blue

Devil fast pitch team is a rewarding and exciting opportunity," said outfielder Justine Lehmann, a junior studying vocational rehabilitation. "The girls are fun and hardworking and although we have a lot of young players, they are very versatile and strong. I only expect great things this year and also for the future of the program".

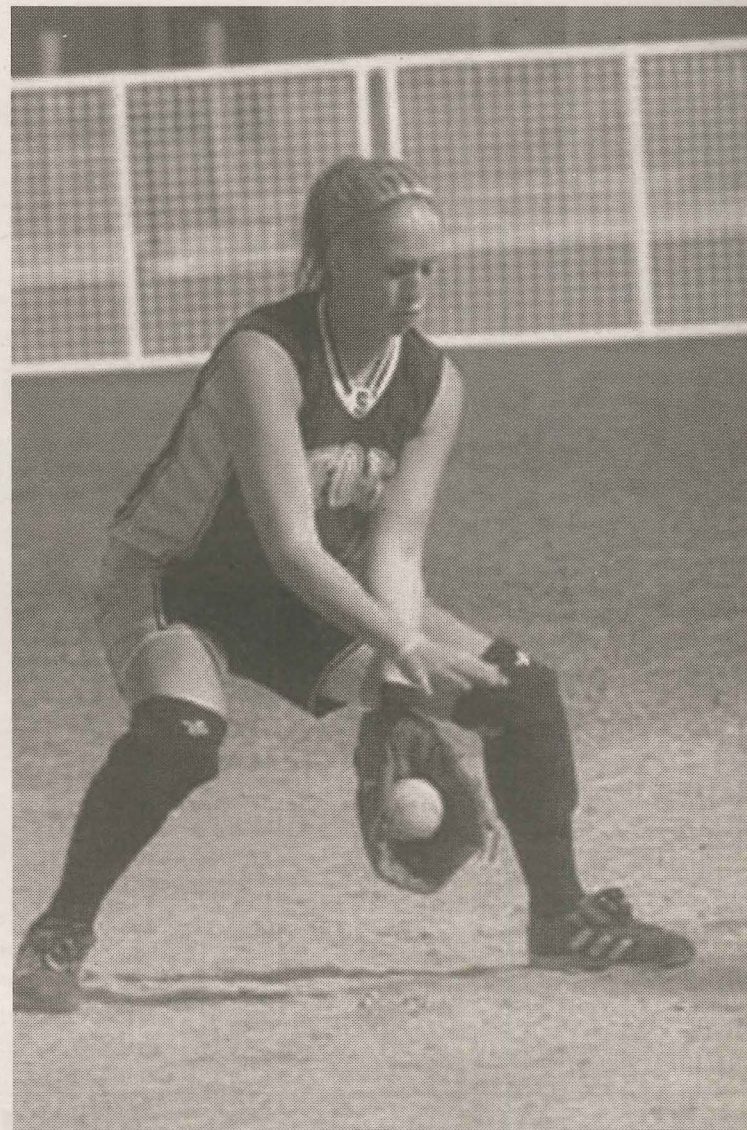
"Coach Stainer isn't the only one who wants great things for this team; with the same dedication the girls had last year, our lady Blue Devils will strive for excellence once again in this program," said Lehmann.

Stainer sees strength and growth within his players at every practice, which gives optimism for success in this upcoming season.

"We are young, we will have some new people in starting positions (which is our challenge), but they are extremely determined," said Stainer.

"The concept of hard work has been learned, and the foundation continues to grow each and every day at practice. I can only imagine what this group can accomplish if they continue to push themselves to do better and learn to work as one unit."

The Blue Devils will open conference play on April 8 when the team travels to the University of Wisconsin-Whitewater.



Courtesy: Sports Information

After capturing the conference title last season, the UW-Stout softball team will look for a repeat performance. The team lost some key players from last season but is still optimistic that they can be at the top of the conference this season.

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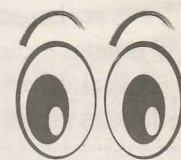
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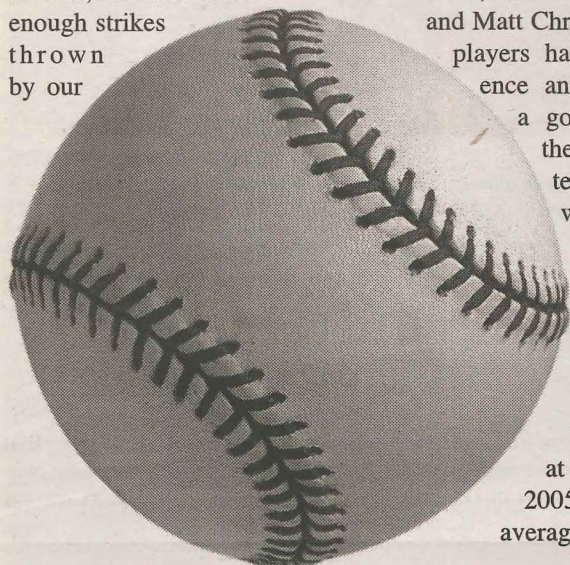
Baseball hoping for breakout year

By Matt Edison
Sports Writer

As the temperature outside remains frigid, things are heating up inside the Johnson Fieldhouse as the Blue Devils men's baseball team prepares for a new season. The men are also getting antsy for their upcoming trip to Texas during spring break.

Last season, the Blue Devils finished out the year with an overall losing record of 16-23 and 10-14 in the Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Conference. Unfortunately, last season they did not make the play-offs as the Blue Devils tied the University of Wisconsin-Platteville for the last seed.

"Last season's squad competed hard and hung in there to the end, but there wasn't enough strikes thrown by our



pitching staff during the regular season," said coach Craig Walter.

This team has a fresh new attitude. More practices have taken place during the off-season and more captain practices were also held. "We have many players who are devoted to the team this year, which makes it easier and more enjoyable," said Walter.

The team has been hitting the gym and lifting weights all year long. This year, the team spent more time in the gym practicing so they have been getting more cuts and swings in during the off-season.

There are many veterans that will be returning this season such as Chad Tousley, Luke Schultz, Rob Heller, Scott Decker, Seth Maier, Joe Cicora and Matt Christman. All those players have good experience and all should be a good example for the rookies. The team captains who will be leading the team are Matt Christman and Joe Cicora, both juniors.

Seth Maier had the best batting average at the end of the 2005 season with an average of .409 and

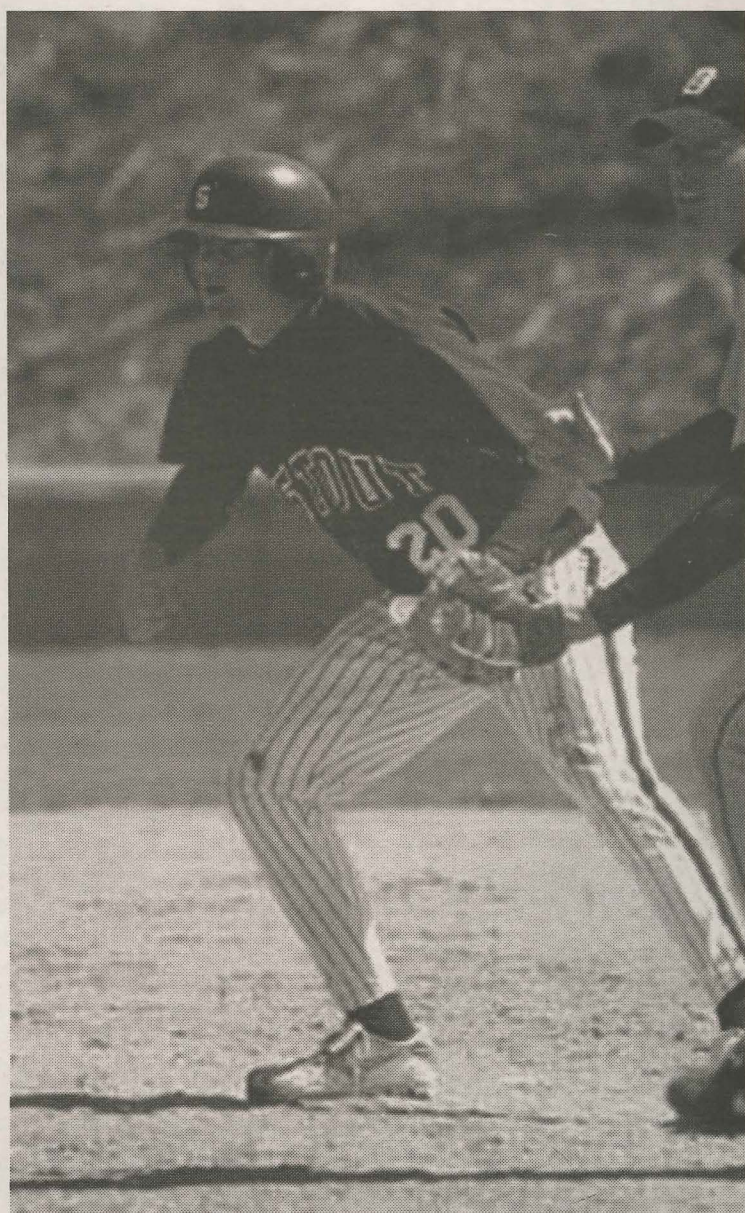
also led the team in runs scored and hits. Luke Schultz was not too far behind Maier with a batting average of .340. The team is lucky to have these two players who will help boost the team's morale.

Joe Cicora is a transfer student from the University of North Dakota State who was a red shirt last season. Cicora is going to be the team's leading off-hitter and will play centerfield. "He is going to be a big asset in the outfield because he brings quickness on the field," said Matt Christman.

Last season, the team was like a roller coaster. The beginning of the season was a little downhill, but during the middle of the season they were on a faster track. At the end of the season the Blue Devils won five out of their last ten games.

"We are going to have to improve our pitching staff in lowering the walks," said Christman. Our defense is going to have to be more solid this season if we want to compete for the conference this season."

This is head coach Craig Walter's fifth season at UW-Stout and his twelfth year in the WIAC. The men's baseball team will be hosting its fourth annual pre-season baseball clinic inside the Johnson Fieldhouse on Saturday, Feb. 25.



Courtesy: Sports Information

The UW-Stout baseball team will look to its veteran talent to get wins this season. The team hopes the extra practices will pay off.

STOUTONIA'S Athlete OF THE Week

Senior Rhian Paulson had an outstanding performance in the vault and all-around competition when the team traveled to the Air Force Academy for a triangular.

Paulson broke the University of Wisconsin-Stout record previously set by Tiffany Reber. Reber had a score of 9.45 while Paulson's score on the vault was a mark

of 9.50. The previous record was set in 2003.

Paulson also broke her own record in the all-around competition with a score of 37.150 besting her previous effort of 36.80.

Paulson's score of 9.5 on the floor exercise tied her for second overall.

Her efforts gave UW-Stout one of the best team

scores in school history. The Blue Devil's score of 177.55 was the second best on the all time list, only one-tenth of a point behind the 2001 mark of 177.65.

Paulson and the Blue Devils will travel to the University of Wisconsin-Oshkosh on Feb. 17 to take on the Titans.

The Facts:

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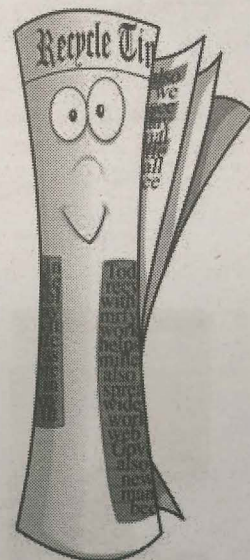
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The hockey team won 3-1 against UW-River Falls on Feb. 11

Next Game:
Feb. 17 at
UW-River Falls

Men's Basketball
(18-5)

The basketball team lost to UW-Stevens Point 69-68

Next Game: Feb 18 at
UW-La Crosse

Women's
Basketball
(16-7)

The women's basketball team defeated UW-Stevens Point 80-54

Next Game: Feb. 18 at
UW-La Crosse

Gymnastics
(0-4)

The gymnastics team placed third at the US Air Force Academy triagonal

Next Meet:
Feb. 17 at UW-Oshkosh



The thrill of victory...

By Wes Simonis
Sports Writer

They say revenge is a dish best served cold, but there was nothing cold about the shooting performance of the Lady Blue Devils when they faced the University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point on Feb. 11.

The Lady Devils shot 63 percent in the first half, led by the three point shooting of Molly Hendricks and Lindsey Geissler.

Hendricks dropped three from behind the arch and finished the first half with 13 points. Geissler hit two threes and scored 11 points overall.

The University of Wisconsin-Stout not only avenged a 97-66 loss to the Pointers from earlier in the season, but the win puts UW-Stout alone at the top in the conference standings.

"Winning at the end of the season is huge and our confidence is at high level," said head coach Mark Thomas. "To win you have to give a special effort each night and confidence is a huge factor in the willingness to give that effort."

In the last matchup, the Lady Blue Devils were without their leading scorer Kelsey Duoss. Duoss has been a key force all season averaging more than

18 points per game.

This time it was the Pointers without their leading scorer and the Lady Blue Devils took advantage, putting hard defense on and only allowing one player to reach double-digit scoring.

Although Duoss was back in the lineup, it was her lowest scoring game of the season. She only had eight points which was the first time all season she was held to single-digit scoring.

Luckily the other Lady Blue Devils attacked from the outside and spread the ball around. Three players reached double-digits and the team made 8 of 11 from three point range.

As UW-Stout sits on top of the Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Conference, is a reminder of how tough the road has been. It wasn't long ago this team was 7-6 overall and was just hoping to stay afloat in the conference.

"I think this says a lot about our effort, the road wasn't always easy getting here but no one gave up on our goal," said Duoss. "Now we're in position to win conference and its all because we worked for everything we have."

The team closes out the regular season with a trip to the University of Wisconsin-La Crosse



Courtesy: Sports Information

The Lady Blue Devils currently sit atop the WIAC conference with a record of 16-7 overall. The team defeated UW-Stevens Point 80-54.

on Feb. 18. If UW-Stout can win this game they will be crowned WIAC regular season champions and have a top seed in the upcoming tournament.

The Lady Blue Devils will be looking to re-make the magic that was created last season, as the team made its first Sweet Sixteen appearance in school history.

"I think the experiences that many of the returning players have from going so deep into the tournament last year will definitely help along the way this year," said Duoss. "I think that there is the pressure there but I don't think that the team feels that its on us, because we were the team picked to win conference so everyone wants to beat us."

...and agony of defeat

By Bryan Horwath
Sports Writer

The basketball gods must have had it in for the University of Wisconsin-Stout men's team this past Saturday.

If not, it would be tough to explain how a more bitter defeat could have been possible. In fact, if I hadn't been at the Johnson Fieldhouse, I would have never guessed UW-Stout would lose to UW-Stevens Point.

After controlling the game for 30-plus minutes, and even leading by as many as 18 points in the second half, the Blue Devils somehow managed to lose by a sliver, 69-68, to the Pointers in an uproar of which Menomonie hasn't seen at a basketball game in years.

"This was a crushing blow, a crushing loss for us," said UW-Stout coach Ed Andrist.

You're telling me, coach. I couldn't believe it. It was as if Hollywood did a remake of "Hoosiers," with UW-Stevens Point starring as Hickory High.

The Pointers, behind superb performances from Khalifa El-Amin and Steve Hicklin, erased a double-digit deficit with a 22-9 run during the final 10 minutes to stun the previously 12th ranked Blue Devils.

With a victory, UW-Stout would have controlled its own destiny in the conference race

in its season finale this Saturday at University of Wisconsin-La Crosse. Now the Devils will need to win and hope for help from UW-Stevens Point and the University of Wisconsin-Whitewater.

UW-Stout had five players reach double-figures, led by Adam Chandler's 13 points. Ryan Stangl and Terry Farmer each had seven swift rebounds for the Devils.

The most painful thing about the loss for the home team was the fact that the Devils lost the lead momentarily and then recaptured it after Greg Chaisson's driving lay-up gave UW-Stout a 68-67 lead with only 25 seconds left.

With the gym in the type of basketball frenzy that Cameron Indoor thrives on, Point's Drew Jackson scored the game-winning basket with just 1.2 seconds remaining off a remarkable pass from Jon Krull.

Talk about letting the air out of a building. The silver lining for UW-Stout is the fact that it is still possible to capture the WIAC crown and end its 31-year drought. Also, even if the Devils don't capture the regular season crown, they still have a shot at the conference tournament.

The only problem is that most of the time the WIAC only brings one team, the conference

tournament champion, to the NCAA dance. UW-Stout will most likely end up running the table in the tourney.

Sports Information director Layne Pitt says another at-large selection can happen, but politics are sometimes involved.

"At the Division III level, we have a lot of private schools," said Pitt. "In the WIAC, we are all public institutions and there are some that feel this fact holds

us back in some ways. There may be some politics involved when it comes to NCAA tournament selections."

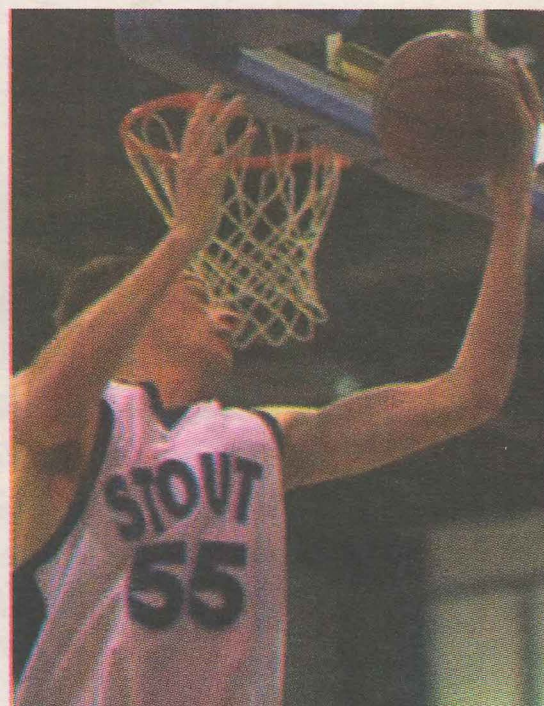
One can't help but think of what could have been had UW-Stout won a pair of nail-biters to the Pointers (the Devils lost in double overtime at UW-Stevens Point on Jan. 7). For a program trying to gain an identity, this was a tremendous let down.

"The team's hurting now," said Andrist af-

ter the game. "They're hurting big time and now we'll find out what we're made of."

Fortunately for UW-Stout, there will be at least two or three more big games this year and plenty of opportunities for redemption for everyone involved.

In the meantime (UW-Stout had Wednesday as an open date), forgive the rest of us if we dwell on this one for awhile.



Courtesy: Sports Information

UW-Stout was handed a tough loss against UW-Stevens Point. The Pointers scored with seconds remaining to take the 69-68 victory. UW-Stout will finish the season at UW-LaCrosse

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The Niche gets a brand new look

By Tracy Consi Dine
News Writer

It surely was a grand reopening for The Niche on Monday, February 20.

The newly renovated Niche, located on the second floor of the Home Economics Building, was packed with students and many others who came to check out the new design and the new items being offered.

"The Niche is intended to be different, set apart from the bookstore; more unique and with different options," said Tyghre Collentine, Niche marketing manager.

The Niche was newly renovated over winter by Dr. Horton's interior design class. The new modifications include all hard wood floors, a new computer system and 16" flat screen television that will be playing music videos for the entertainment of shoppers.

The appearance of The Niche isn't all that's new. The merchandise is also new. They are now selling all new UW-Stout apparel with a baseball T-

shirt theme, organic soaps, candles, lotion and incense, assorted jewelry and bags, as well as organic foods and drinks.

The organic food choices seem to be what The Niche is most proud of. Amy Wonsettler, Genna Staudacher, Sarah Ahmed, Jessica Mckenzie and April Rich are among the 21 senior retail merchandising major managers of the store.

This is the largest group of seniors that The Niche has ever had. All the girls agreed that their favorite new addition to The Niche is the organic choices they can offer students. The Niche is one of the few places on campus that offers such choices.

The new Niche managers agree that everything in the store is unique. From the merchandise to the look, everything has completely changed.

Even the hours have been extended. The Niche is now open from 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Monday through Thursday and 9 a.m.-3 p.m. on Friday.

Managers say custom-

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Tracy Consi Dine/Stoutonia

One of the things the new managers of The Niche really enjoy having in their store is their organic food selection. Wooden panels are also new to the store.

Dancing machines



Marta Peters/Stoutonia

Huff's had a group of students fill it up to come together and learn different styles of dancing and culture while never leaving Menomonie.

Dismissal at UW-Stout

How many students didn't return?

By Kristie Wilson
News Writer

Some students have noticed that there were more parking spots open and fewer people wandering around when they came back from winter break. This brought upon some questions and rumors.

First off, students wondered how many freshmen did not come back for second semester. About ten percent of freshmen did not return for their second semester. This is about the same as any other year. There are usually around ten percent of freshmen that do not return in other schools as well.

"There was a split between those who left for academic reasons and those who left for other reasons," said Joan Thomas, associate dean of students.

The reasons for freshmen not returning varied. Forty-four percent of them left because they were academically ineligible and 56 percent left for other reasons. The University of Wisconsin-Stout still retains about 89 percent. Also, there were approximately 40 new

freshmen that enrolled this spring semester.

"Very seldom do we ask a student to leave because of behavior," said Thomas.

The freshmen that were academically ineligible had to receive a grade point average lower than a 1.0.

If a student who has between one and 14 credits has lower than a 1.8 G.P.A., then they get put on academic probation. When a student has between 15 and 29.5 credits they would have to have lower than a 1.9 to be put on probation.

The bigger percentage of people who left did so for other reasons. The main reason for these students leaving was to transfer schools. There are usually two main reasons that students decide to transfer, being closer to home or UW-Stout does not offer the major they are looking for.

"Being closer to home is a common thread," said Thomas.

Looking away from freshmen, there are still some students who leave that are not

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Niche / students revamp for internships

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Tracy Consi Dine/Stoutonia

This is one of the areas in The Niche that was redone by it's student managers. The Niche is run by students so that they can have their internship on campus that that will work around their school schedule.

ers are sure to find something their heart desires at The Niche. One woman ran for her checkbook as she spotted a handbag with Jonny Depp and Orlando Bloom on it.

Others may be impressed with a new edition to the store that contains a corner of organic soaps, lotions and candles. If students need a last minute gift, many options are available within the new store.

The Niche will be doing many promotions throughout the semester. There was a 20 percent discount on all items on the day of reopening; however, there will be many more sales to come in the near future.

The Niche will be doing surveys and offering coupons later in the semester. They want to be sure they are filling students' needs. They will also be pulling out the spring break themes soon.

Check out The Niche in the Home Economics Building and keep an eye out for the new promotions throughout the semester.

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Fresh / some go home while others stay

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freshmen. The percent rate does keep going down each year. The second year the percent drops to about five or six.

This year there were more incoming freshmen in the fall semester, approximately four hundred more than the last couple years.

This was because enrollment had dropped a little

and the upper level administration made up for lost ground. The enrollment is now back to where they want it to be.

"It was a little tight with some housing for a while,"

"There was a split between those who left for academic reasons and for those who left for other reasons."

-Joan Thomas
Associate Dean of Students

said Thomas on more freshmen enrolling in the fall and with all freshmen on South Campus.

As for next year, they estimate approximately 1600 freshmen. This year in the fall approximately 1700 freshmen were enrolled. As of now there is a still more than 1500 freshmen enrolled. It is also expected for the freshmen enrollment to continue to grow.

"We want the student's transcript to reflect

their abilities and not their performance or other issues," said Thomas.

Students are encouraged to focus more on their academics in hopes to prevent academic

probation.

If you have any questions contact the Dean of Students Office or the Administration Office.

How to get academically dismissed

10% of freshmen did not return for the second semester, and of them, 44% were forced to leave because they were academically ineligible.

- A student will be academically dismissed if their GPA gets below 1.0
- A student taking 1-14 credits will be put on academic probation if their GPA is below a 1.8
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NEWS for the COLLEGE attention span

Navy Scandal

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Priest found guilty

Rev. Michael Wempe was previously found guilty for molesting 13 different boys during the 1970s and 1980s. He had denied molesting any other boys after that though. Another boy came out and said that he was molested for five years by Wempe in 1990-1995. The boy, now an adult, is brothers with one of the former children Wempe was accused of molesting. Wempe was found guilty but still maintains he never committed the crime.

Accidental death

A student from Stratford University was found dead in her apartment last weekend. She apparently had been drink-

ing heavily on Friday and then on Saturday was seen vomiting in the bathroom. While vomiting into the tub, the victim turned on the water to clean it out but didn't realize the drain wasn't open. She then passed out with her hands and face leaning against the tub, and accidentally drown when the water reached her face.

Women in the workforce

Women have been in the workforce ever since the Equal Opportunity Act was passed; however, recently trends are changing. In America, 54 percent of women who have a professional degree are not working full-time, but rather staying at home and taking care of their children.

Bad baby food

Mead Johnson Co. released a statement recently that a shipment of 24 ounce cans of their baby food would need to be recalled. Apparently the food may contain metal particles that could ultimately result in the death or injury of any baby who consumes them. So far no injuries have been reported. The cans are marked on the bottom with the code BMJ19.

SSA weekly senate notes

Notes from Feb. 14, 2006

New music debate

There is a service called Ruckus Network that could eliminate illegal downloading from the University of Wisconsin-Stout. This program would allow students to download music legally from their computers but would be at a cost to the campus.

The program is not compatible with Apple computers and cannot convert songs into CD format.

Campus wireless

Erin Fonder presented on allowing the wireless to have a three to five mile radius around campus which would limit our reliance on Charter. He also talked about vision 2010.

Legislative affairs debate

The legislative affairs director for last semester resigned, and another was put in her place; however, it was never voted on. The senate agreed to remove the person who was put into office and then have an official election for a new director. Five people applied for the position and it was given to Shawn Peters.

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Diana Minea won a 2nd place award in Editorial Writing for the article "Laptops: learning tools or barriers?"

HEALTH ALERT WARNING AT UW-STOUT

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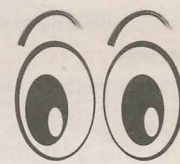
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Too many classes being cancelled?



Staff Editorial
The Stoutonia Staff

We've all done it at least once ... each semester.

The alarm clock goes off and you just can't seem to make yourself get out of bed, or maybe you just aren't feeling well. So you decide to skip class.

No big deal, right? You'll just send an e-mail to the entire class and ask for someone to send you the notes from that day. Hopefully you'll even remember to put in the e-mail what class it was that you missed.

But what if a professor decides to cancel class?

Sure we all like a nice break here and there, but sometimes it starts to happen more often.

Is this different than if a student decides to skip class on their own?

Afterall, we are paying for that class. According to the UW-Stout website, a Wisconsin resident pays \$187.12 per undergraduate credit. That's \$561.36 for a three credit class, which most are.

So if we skip class on our own, it's us wasting our own money. But if the professor cancels the class, then they are wasting our money.

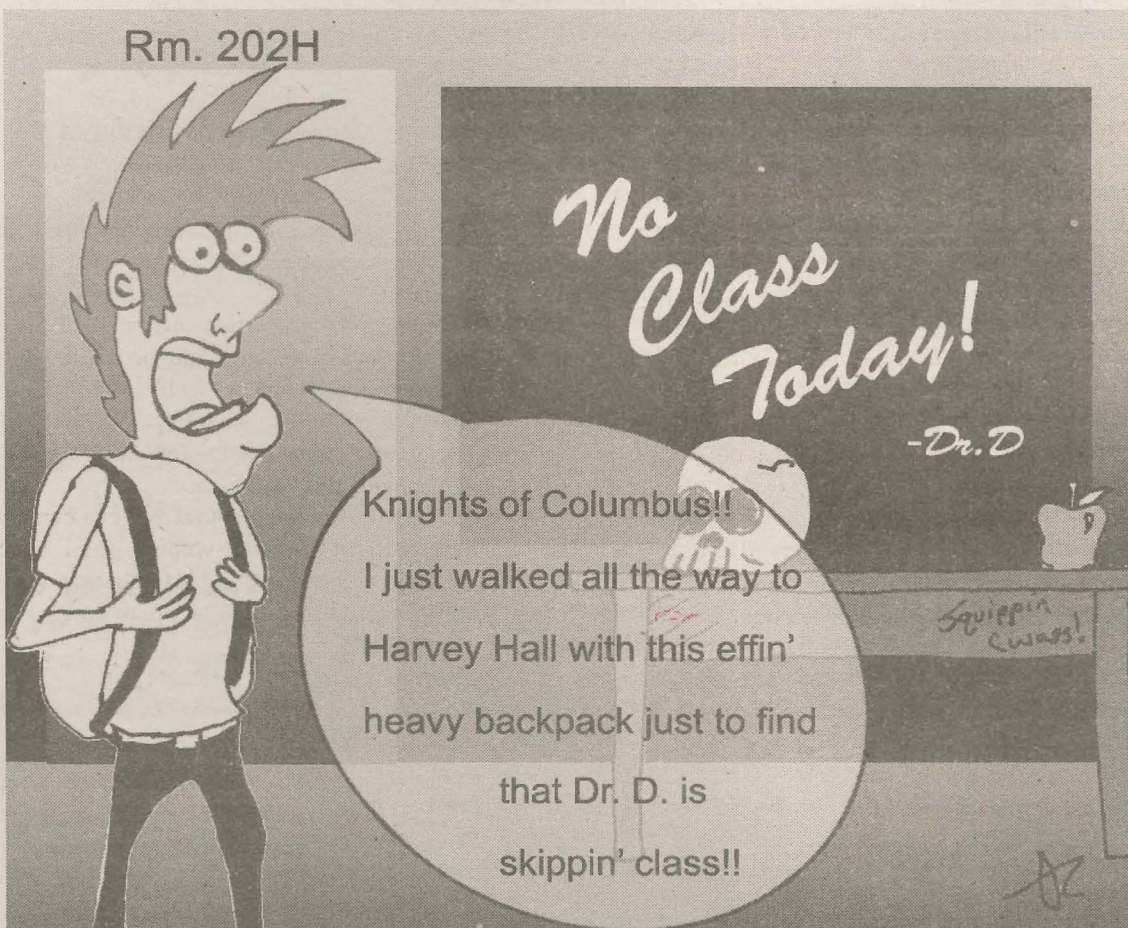
The reason a class is being cancelled and whether or not notice is given ahead of time does make a difference.

But who gets to decide what a legitimate reason is, and how far ahead the students should know?

If the professor lets the class know ahead of time and has something for students to do, then it's not as big of a deal.

However, there are some times when it may not be possible to give notice. Professors get sick just like the rest of us.

It's not really fair if



we expect them to always be there, and then we turn around and expect understanding if we get sick and miss a class.

On the other hand, they expect us to let them know if we are sick, and some may even want to see a doctor's note.

So if a professor says he or she was sick, should

students start asking for proof too? This may be asking a little much, but how much information can we expect professors to tell us?

Even if you are happy once you get there and find out your class is cancelled, no one likes to walk all the way to class with a heavy backpack only to have to turn around.

Then there are professors that seem to not miss any of their classes no matter what. They will show up sick just for their classes and then go back home.

Most students may not expect this much from their professors, but some feel that it is their job to be there.

Maybe some professors just care more than others.

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University may provide legal downloads



Shawn Peter
Columnist

Downloading music, movies, television shows and programs has become the norm for our age group. Some downloading is done legally, but a lot is done illegally.

It seems like the downloading of illegal software is a topic that is continually talked about.

At universities across the country, a fast Internet connection has created a haven for our age group, who typically has limited funds but a strong desire to have new music, movies and other files.

The high bandwidth demands for this activity plus the pressure from the music and movie industries has universities across the country seeking solutions to fix the problem.

Peer 2 Peer file sharing has been around for many years. Is it ethical? Is it legal?

As long as it can be done, the rules and warnings are

ignored. The activity is so widespread that it's impossible to stop.

It's an uphill battle that the music and movie industries are losing. I'm sure you've heard this before.

There is an effort at many universities to combat the "epidemic."

One way is to shut down Internet ports to curb the P2P file sharing. This has worked temporarily.

However, file sharing programs now use common Internet ports and can use other common ports if necessary.

The Internet can't be shut down, otherwise there is no point in having it. So the universities are partnering with companies that allow "free" downloading of music, movies and TV shows.

I found four companies that offer this kind of service. The companies offering the service include: Napster: University, RealPlayer Networks Rhapsody, Ruckus and cDigix.

The services offered are unique to each university based on the company and what the university requires.

What is the University of

Wisconsin-Stout doing about it? Like at every university who has high speed Internet, the administration wants to find a solution to P2P file sharing and rid themselves of the liability.

Last week, Ruckus was on campus and spoke to the student government at UW-Stout about their services.

They would put a server on campus and allow the student body to download music, movies and TV shows.

Ruckus is available to the students at the University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire so why not at UW-Stout, right?

It could be available as a trial run this semester. In the future, the student technology fee money, a small share of every UW-Stout student's tuition, would pay for the service.

I can see the benefits of having the services that Ruckus, Napster, Rhapsody or cDigix offers.

The big question: Will this fix the problem? I don't think it will. The services use WMA and WVA file formats.

Unlike MP3 or MPEG formats, which can be altered and transferred freely, WMA and WVA file formats can be

restricted with security encoding and time stamps. What does that mean?

The file sharing service can lend out the license and restrict the use to the computer it was downloaded to.

That means no burning of CDs or transferring without access.

Even though files can be purchased, how many will do that?

Also, the service companies like Ruckus offers expire when the school year is finished; that means ALL licenses expire when the school year is done!

However, they can be re-obtained quickly when the school year begins again. A summer without music or movies, imagine that.

The argument could go both ways. The readers of this column are smart enough to decide.

However, I think illegal P2P file sharing will continue. CDs and DVDs need to be burned, and most importantly, that MP3 player must stay updated with the latest tracks.

That is why it's done. Someone better tell Chucky.



Letters to the Editor

If you wish to submit a Letter to the Editor, letters can be sent to stoutonia@uwstout.edu. Letters must be no longer than 250 words and must be submitted by 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday in order to run in that week's issue.

Fryklund 213 not that great

The article "Lab designed by students for students," in last week's issue of *The Stoutonia*, talked about how great the new lab layout is in Fryklund 213. I know several people agree with the following points on the room. The "pods" are very small. The current class that I'm in has five people in three of the four pods. There is not enough desk space to comfortably perform labs. To get up and wire the routers requires that two or more people need to make room for you. First, the person sitting behind you needs to scoot in. Second, the person sitting by the routers has to move so there is room to access the routers. There is also a door on the router stack that only opens into the pod. Anytime the door is open, a lot of room is taken up in the already crowded pod.

The worst part about the pods is lecture. The two back pods do not have any desk space that faces the projector screen. The two front pods only have their narrow side facing the front. The old design had rows of tables similar to an average classroom. Everyone could see the projector screen easily and was facing the front for lecture. Currently, during lecture, most people only see the back of someone's head, and cannot comfortably take notes.

Finally, the equipment being used is still the same. It now is just at odd angles in cramped corners.

Annoyed ITM student

Osama still alive



Michael Graney

Columnist

Across the Web today was the latest translation of Osama bin Laden's tape that was broadcast a little more than a month ago.

It says he will not be taken alive. Well, according to President Bush, we were going to get him dead or alive, so that isn't a problem if he chooses the way he wants to come.

What disturbs me is that almost four years after we began a seemingly endless cycle of war, we haven't caught the leader yet.

The one man who initiated the bloodshed and loss of life is still roaming free to produce audio and video defying the world. More importantly, however, is the lack of resolution across the areas where these wars have taken place.

There have been unforeseen consequences that have emerged. Milwaukee is dealing with heroin street prices dropping because of a new influx of raw materials from the newly "liberated" Afghanistan. Ironical when one considers the fact that another costly war customs and the coast guard have been fighting against the illegal narcotics trade.

The Taliban (safe keepers of bin Laden and Al-Qaida) is still around, though not in the capital. From accounts I have been reading, warlords are gaining power, a viable economy hasn't been found outside of the drug trade, the Taliban is posed to make a comeback and bin Laden is alive and well.

Something doesn't sound finished in that. If we are going to spread the message of freedom and democracy around the world, we also must help bring about their implementations and use our sway in the international community to gain support in helping with a country's transition. I'm not sure about the rest of us, but my parents always told me to finish what I start and to not start anything I can't finish.

However, after the action in Afghanistan was finished, we needed to take a look at the axis of evil in the world (consisting of Iran, Iraq and North Korea). Two of those nations either have nuclear weapons or have programs tentatively in place for nuclear research.

We don't invade the two more dangerous prospects, but we go into Iraq on cooked intelligence and shaky con-

On my way to the Olympic games

Starting practice for trampoline routine in next summer's Olympics



Matt Schubbe

Columnist

Hooray, the Olympics are upon us. Hooray, the broadcasts are getting some of the lowest ratings ever.

While I could easily contemplate the societal ramifications of this new knowledge, it would be just as easy to try to come up with a way to get the Olympics back up there in the ratings.

So that's what I'll do. You didn't think I'd leave you hanging did you? Please.

Obviously, there's no way I can compete in the current Winter Olympics, so I'll have to shift my focus a little bit to the next set of Summer Olympics. But where do I even begin?

I've never been coordinated in the least, it's a miracle I can put forth the small-motor dexterity to even type this article on my computer, so how do I qualify for something that entails physical control, if not physical prowess?

Not only that, but I'm an Olympic purist, so if I were to compete I'd have to do it the old fashioned way, the way things were done by the Greeks in the first Olympic games: naked.

That throws another kink into things, because a lot of events in the Olympics become, let's just say, dangerous when competed in the buff. And because I'm one for integrity, I refuse to

compete in any other way, so that creates yet another handicap for me qualifying for even one event in the next Summer Olympics. This being the case, for a while I thought I was screwed.

But wait. I've just discovered a little known Olympic event. This event seems to be right up my alley, even with all the limitations mentioned previously.

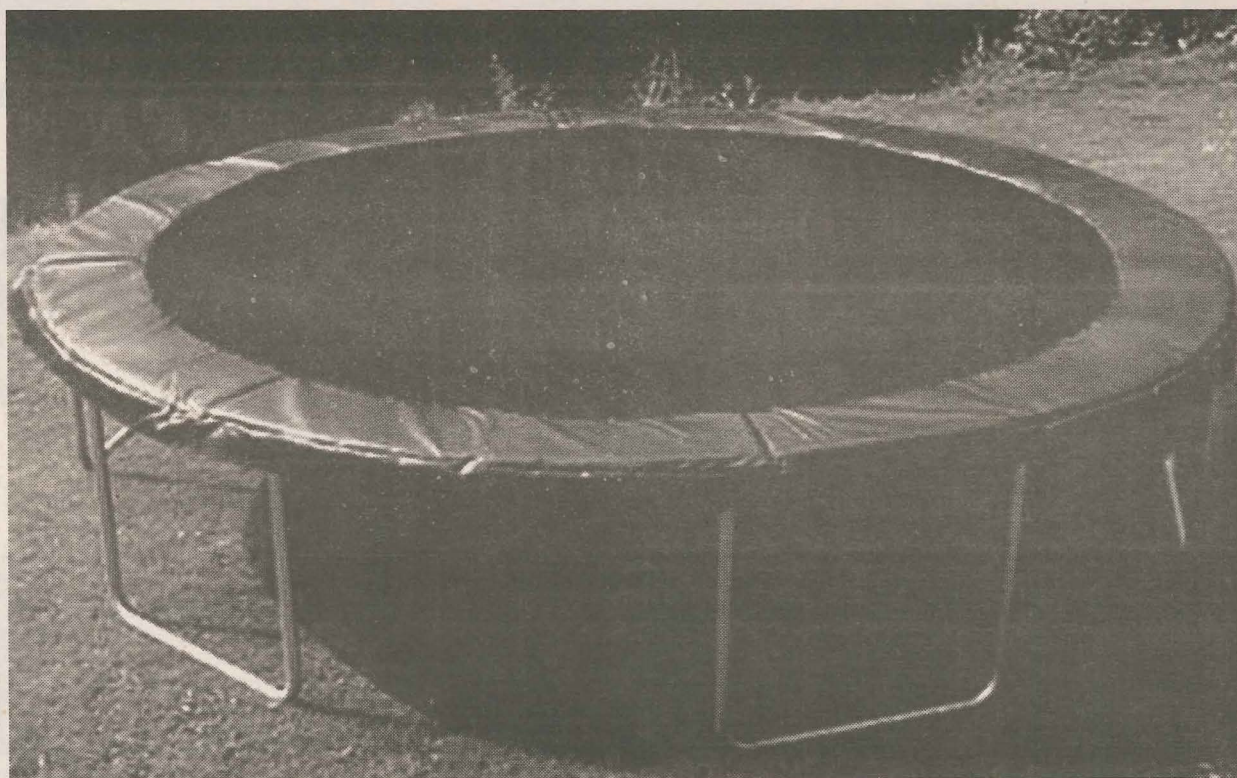
The event is Trampoline. Now, I don't know anything about the criteria for this event, or the judging, or how long routines have to be.

Actually, come to think of it, I don't really know anything about this event. But no matter, I'm just going to train MY way, because that's how you get onto cereal boxes. You don't play by anyone's rules, not even your own. I think.

So to train, I'll just do what I usually do on a trampoline: bounce as high as possible, try to do a flip, slip a little, hit my head, get up, try again, twist my ankle and stop using the trampoline for a week.

If I'm right about this, I'll eventually be able to do one solid flip by the end of this summer. That's enough to qualify for the Olympics, right? It better be. Even if the judges are skeptical, once they realize that I'm doing things the traditional, Olympian way (naked), they'll probably have no choice but to let me qualify.

So look for me practicing outside once the weather gets warmer, I'll be working so hard that I should be out there quite often. And if you see me naked next to a large trampoline shouting and rubbing the side of my head or an ankle, don't be alarmed. It's all part of my training.



Source: www.festi-rent.be

clusions. The original reason for entering Iraq wasn't to topple a horrendous dictator (which Saddam is) or provide democracy to Iraq (which is a good goal) but to protect us from weapons of mass destruction Saddam was either producing or procuring. Yet, our investigators didn't find any trace of these weapons.

The United States deposed of Saddam without the same broad international support we had going into Afghanistan. Public works and local authorities associated with the Baath party were immediately disbanded based on the initial successes.

Little did we realize by doing that, now responsibility for utilities and law enforcement falls on us. The insurgents aren't making it any easier by killing innocent Iraqis and troops.

Probably the worst feeling is the lack of any leaders in the Islamic world putting pressures on insurgents.

While a cartoon strip showing Muhammad

quickly sets off riots, property destruction and death; the random killing of innocent people doesn't even warrant a whisper of shame or reproach. There isn't an Islamic state indicating a disapproval to these violent tendencies.

Where our country's situation in the world is now, difficult and tough decisions have to be made to avoid a spiraling anarchy. Priorities need to be set on concrete data with fully rational and achievable goals. If that means a draft needs to be re-instated to give our military the manpower to fulfill its mission, so be it. If we must lose face in front of the UN and admit our mistake while asking for help, so be it. If taxes must be raised in order to keep financing these adventures, it must be done.

All actions have consequences; it takes a truly courageous and brave people to accept the consequences and deal with them. Is the United States of America made up of such people? I would hope so.

Up-and-coming comic plays Stout

By Natalie Rathmann
Entertainment Writer

What inspired Daniel Kinno to go into comedy?

"Physics," he explains. "Studying physics is what made me realize I needed to get the hell out of there."

And that is exactly what Kinno did. At 19, he left the University of California-Santa Barbara to pursue comedy.

Kinno played the open mic nights and comedy clubs of Los Angeles before moving to Boston, both for their famed comedy scene and his "love of Dunkin' Donuts."

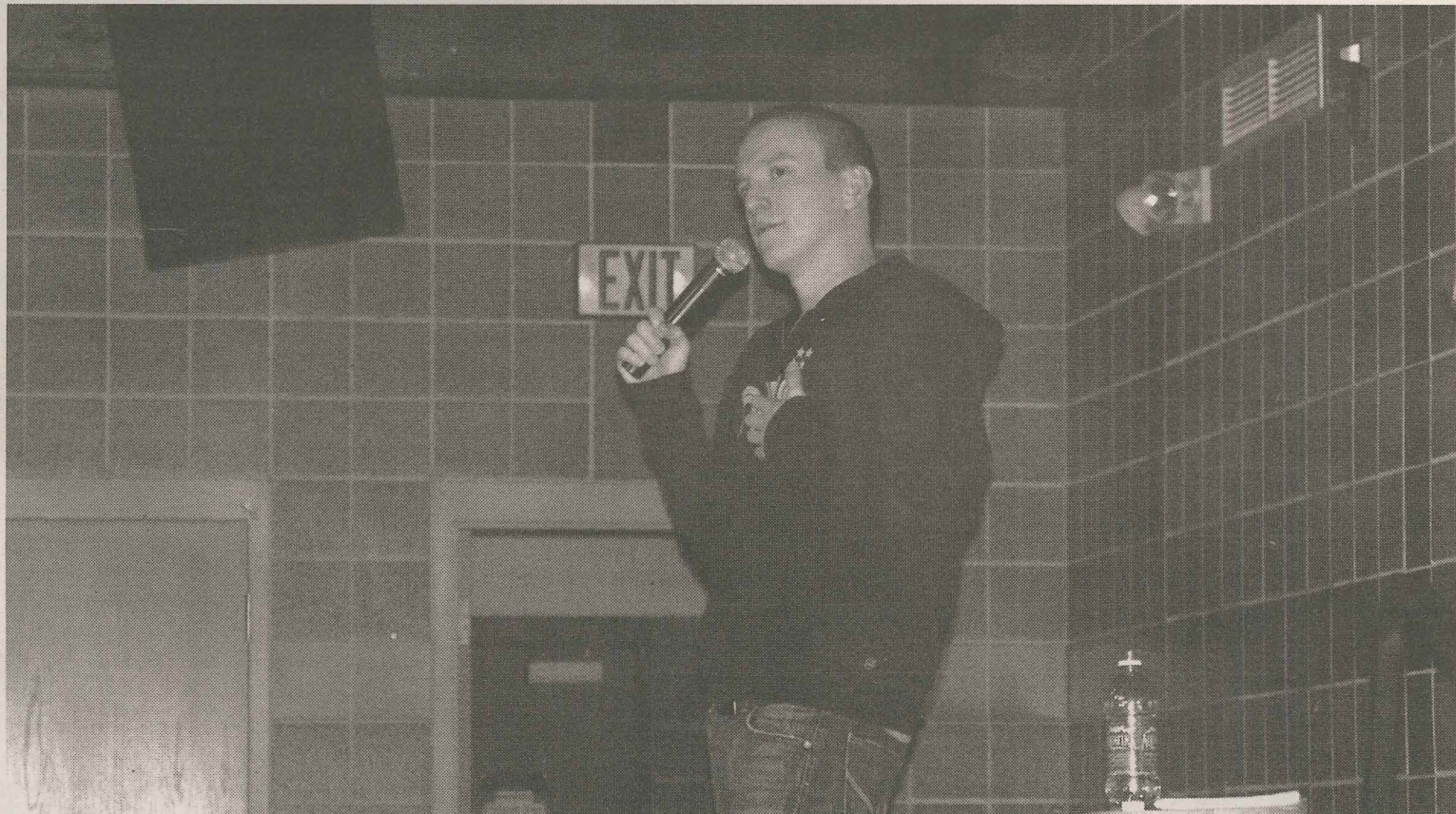
According to Kinno, his comedy is inspired by a combination of his personal environment, the news and marijuana.

Kinno is quite skilled at relating to and interacting with his audience.

His youth is a valuable asset for playing the college crowds and his comedy reflects themes such as college life, bitter relationships, human behavior and gender differences.

"I don't understand what the big deal is with porn," Kinno joked during his Blue Devil Productions-sponsored performance at UW-Stout last Thursday.

"Girls need to calm down, guys watch porn for the same reason girls watch romantic movies ... girls just wanna see stuff that will never, ever happen."



Kiley Van Note/Stoutonia

Russian-born Daniel Kinno has started catching people's attention. He is currently negotiating with two networks for sitcoms, as well as comedy specials, and is slated for appearances on late-night TV. Last week, courtesy of BDP, he caught the attention of UW-Stout students as well.

Kinno also cracked some jokes about television: ridiculing popular shows such as "Fear Factor" and "Pimp My Ride." He also expressed his dislike for tampon commercials.

"I hate tampon commercials. First off, they're full of lies. Why are the women always happy and why is the liquid always blue?"

"The liquid isn't blue—if

blue stuff is coming out of you I don't think your tampon should be a priority.

"I'd go find a doctor quick. What they should do is show a woman in a white bathing suit in the middle of the ocean surrounded by sharks and have it say, 'Do you trust your tampon?'"

Kinno's cool, calm, collective attitude was apparent; his only anxiety that was evi-

dent was his need for a nicotine fix. I asked, Do you ever get overwhelmed with your career as it begins to take off?

"Well, life gets overwhelming," replied Kinno.

"I get high-strung about things such as traveling. I hate traveling.

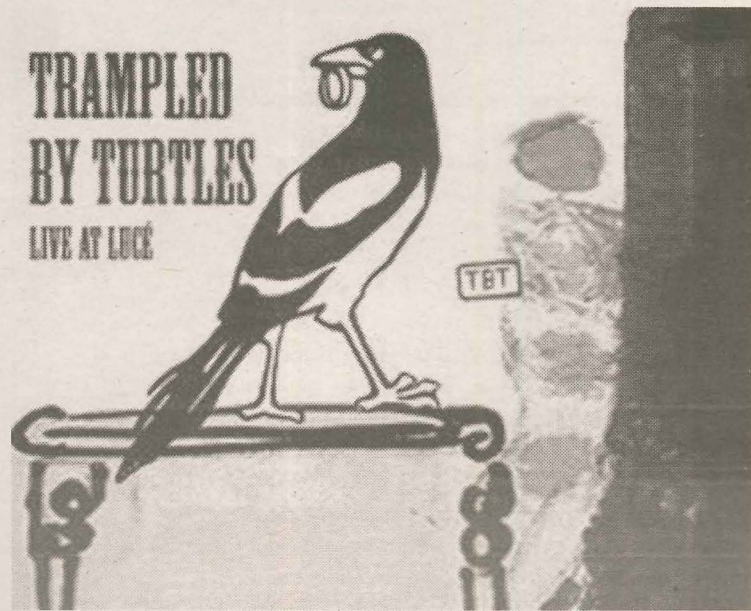
"I love performing, but I hate traveling. Getting from place to place is a pain."

Kinno has started catching people's attention. He is currently in negotiations with two networks for sitcoms, as well as specials for HBO and Comedy Central.

He is also slated for appearances on David Letterman and "The Tonight Show," so keep this guy on your radar.

In April, Kinno will be releasing a CD compilation entitled, "You Were Funny Too."

If only their lead singer would shut up



Source: www.tramplebyturtles.com

At first blush, Trampled By Turtles has an interesting instrumental variety, complete with banjos. Unfortunately, their lack of a drummer hurts, and their lead singer (above left) really, really hurts. Their live CD (above right), "Live At Luce," is nothing to write home about. If you want to see for yourself, BDP has scheduled them at UW-Stout for March 23.



Andrew Ridgeway
Entertainment Writer

When I was given the assignment to review Trampled By Turtles' newest release, "Live at Luce," I really had no clue what I was up against. Very soon into the first of the six tracks, I realized that Trampled By Turtles was all about

straight-up honkey-tonkin' Midwest country jammin'.

Being an extremely unbiased music consumer, I eventually came to three conclusions regarding "Live at Luce."

Conclusion one: the most positive thing that I can say about the six-track live release was the catchiness of the group's instrumentals.

Trampled By Turtles is a group of four talented individuals who play somewhat unconventional instruments.

The band's lineup includes a guitarist/vocalist, a bassist,

a banjo player and a mandolin player, all of whom combine forces to create a foot-stomping, knee-slapping ho-down in any venue. The only instrumental aspect that I felt was missing from this group was a drummer.

The bass guitar attempts to create an underlying rhythm to the songs, but it eventually becomes annoying as it drones back and forth on a teeter-totter of two notes.

I feel a drummer would bring the somewhat garbled country rhythm of Trampled By Turtles into a more unified whole.

Conclusion two: the whiny, country drawl in the lead singer's voice makes Trampled By Turtles very hard to listen to.

By the end of the second song, my ears couldn't handle another word of incomprehensible drawn out Southern slurred singing.

I believe that Trampled By Turtles would definitely benefit from a different lead singer, someone without the Southern drawl and a lot more poetic creativity.

Final conclusion: Trampled By Turtle's "Live at Luce" is so

pathetic that it deserves my lowest rating ever: zero out of five stars. This group is very talented instrumentally, but without a drummer and with the conventional country lyrics and, most of all, the headache-inducing Southern drawl, this CD is about as pleasant as a toothache.

I'd rather be trampled by a pack of turtles than again force this CD on my ears.

Oh, one last thing: Blue Devil Productions has booked Trampled By Turtles for March 23. If you're curious, you might as well go ahead and mark your calendars.

New eatery worth a stop

Stout Ale House has good food, atmosphere



Matt Schubbe
Entertainment Writer

Open booths, a nicely sized bar and giant televisions as far as the eye can see: this is the view greeting anyone entering the deceptively large Stout Ale House, a new restaurant built into the Off Broadway Mall. But what sets this place apart from other "bar and grill" establishments, like Applebee's and T.G.I. Fridays?

Two words: "comfortable atmosphere." Many sports-themed restaurants have tight spaces and uncomfortably close quarters at the bar, but the Stout Ale House doesn't. Once entered, the place is at once full of activity while still being designed with a person's personal space requirements in mind. And the food's not bad, either.

"The burger's flavor erupted on my taste buds with an intense fervor," said Dan Jenstad, a junior graphic design major. "I really liked it."

The tasty menu and affable atmosphere happen to appeal to the ladies, as well.

"It was cool that you could get baked beans with pretty much everything," said Laura Hanley, a junior graphic design major.

In addition to good food, the Stout Ale House also knows how to treat someone on a special occasion.

"The service was incredibly fast, even though there were a lot of us in our party," said

Jenstad. "I had free house beer for my birthday, which is always great. And the skybox we stayed in only cost \$25, which is respectable for a crowd of college students."

But is this place infallible? Do all who enter universally agree that the Stout Ale House is a good place to grab a bite to eat? Yes and no.

"So the food was absolutely amazing, my Cajun burger was huge and was delicious," said Nathan Weber, a senior multimedia design major. "The price was reasonable too at around seven dollars for the burger and a side. But the service wasn't that great, considering it took us almost an hour from when we sat down to when we received our food."

If the Ale House has a flaw, longer wait times for food seem to be it.

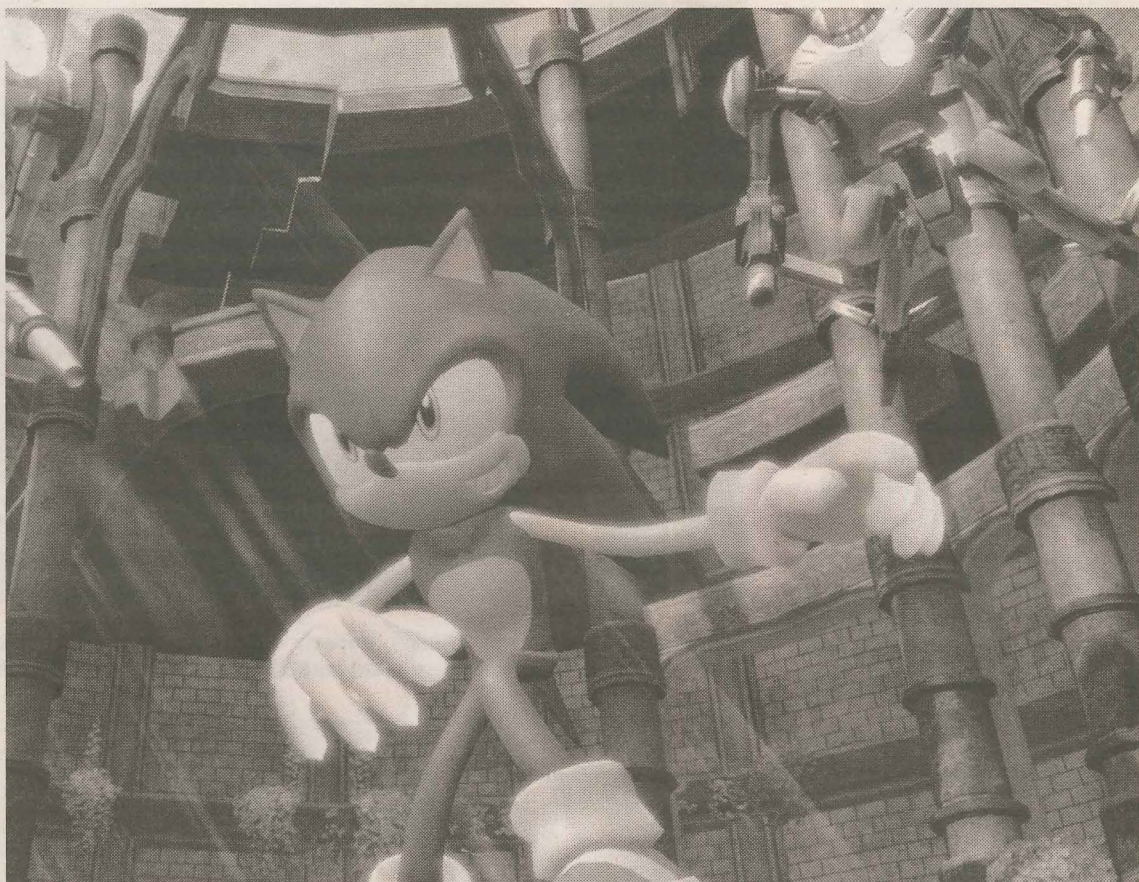
"The service is a bit slow, but the place itself is very homey," said Andy Englund, a senior applied science major. "Definitely a good second or third date spot. You'll have time to talk."

But overall, the positives win out in the end.

"The atmosphere was pretty nice, the rustic feel has been done before with other restaurants but this one seemed more open," said Weber. "There was more seating available. It almost seemed like a restaurant with the size of a sporting goods store."

So if you're looking for a good place to get some hearty food in a pleasant atmosphere, and don't mind waiting a little while, then the Stout Ale House is a very strong bet. The Stout Ale House is located at 1501 N. Broadway and is open from 11 a.m. until 2 a.m.

Old-timer console wars



Source: www.frittle.org

Who could forget the spikey blue blur himself, Sonic the Hedgehog (above). Probably Sega's most popular character, his likeness helped the Sega Genesis (below) give Nintendo a run for its money.

By Ami Kriho
Entertainment Writer

In 1951—the same year as the Marufuku name change—the United States passed laws restricting the use of slot machines. Before then, a man named Marty Bromley had managed coin-op game rooms at military bases in Hawaii. After the laws passed, he and his father moved their business to Japan and called their company Service Games.

It wasn't until 1964, after the company merged with competitor Rosen Enterprises, that the name changed to Sega. While the company had a tight hold on amusement games and jukeboxes in Japan, they manufactured their first game, "Periscope," in 1966. After this became a hit, the company started exporting games.

Between the late '60s and mid-'80s, Sega was sold several times. In an attempt to expand the company, it was enlisted as a U.S. company in 1974. During the same decade, Sega joined with an arcade company called Gremlin and became a large supplier of video games in the United States and Europe.

Rosen bought back the Japanese operation of Sega in 1984 and hired Hayao Nakayama as the CEO. Since Nintendo had already released the Famicom in Japan, Nakayama focused on the video game market in America with a console called the Master System.

Breaking into Nintendo's share of the American market was not a simple feat, as Nintendo had several advantages before Sega entered the competition. Thanks to the success of "Donkey Kong," Nintendo was a familiar name. It was also advertising allies with World of Wonders, creators of Teddy Ruxpin. Nintendo was also better able to capture its popular arcade games in home console format.

Sega tried to align themselves with Minnesota toy truck



Source: img.photobucket.com

company Tonka, but Tonka knew little about the video game market. As a result, the Master System dwindled and, in 1988, they pulled the system from the market.

During the Master System's fall, however, engineers at Sega were developing a more powerful system. In 1988, the Mega-Drive system was released in Japan. It had twice the processing power of the NES and ten times as many colors. After its lacking Japanese success, Sega decided to release the system in the United States, calling it the Genesis.

Under then-CEO Michael Katz, the marketing team at Sega decided to advertise against Nintendo head-on. They also tried to associate their company with athletes and celebrities. One of Sega's first licensees was Electronic Arts, which made the Genesis version of their computer football games.

Genesis wasn't a clear-cut success at first, and wouldn't be until Tom Kalinske became the CEO of Sega of America in 1990. His plans to increase its popularity included a price drop and to bundle the system with "Sonic the Hedgehog."

He also put together a U.S.-based development team to create

games more suited for American audiences. "Sonic the Hedgehog" became an instant success and gave the Genesis the light it needed to compete against Nintendo. Sonic was in every way Sega's response to Nintendo's Mario, but Sonic's "cooler" attitude and faster-paced gameplay made it a hit with older gamers.

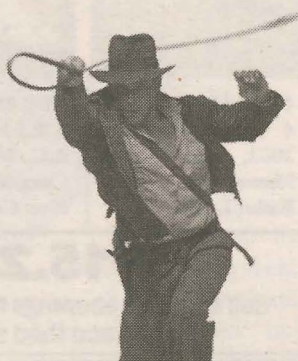
Meanwhile, Japan remained loyal to Nintendo. The country eagerly awaited their new system, the Super Family Computer (Super Nintendo, or SNES in the United States), which released in 1990. The Super Famicom was superior to the Mega Drive in every way except for processing power. Nintendo made up for this by bundling the system with "Super Mario World." The Super Famicom was successful in Japan, but to compete with the Genesis in the United States it needed a bit more steam.

Genesis had more games, a lower price and an edgier attitude. The two companies competed in price-drop wars and aggressive advertising.

For a more detailed script of the history of Nintendo and Sega, check out "The Ultimate History of Video Games" by Steven Kent and "Game Over" by David Sheff.

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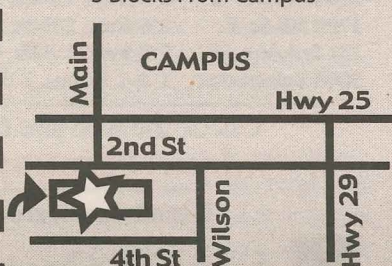
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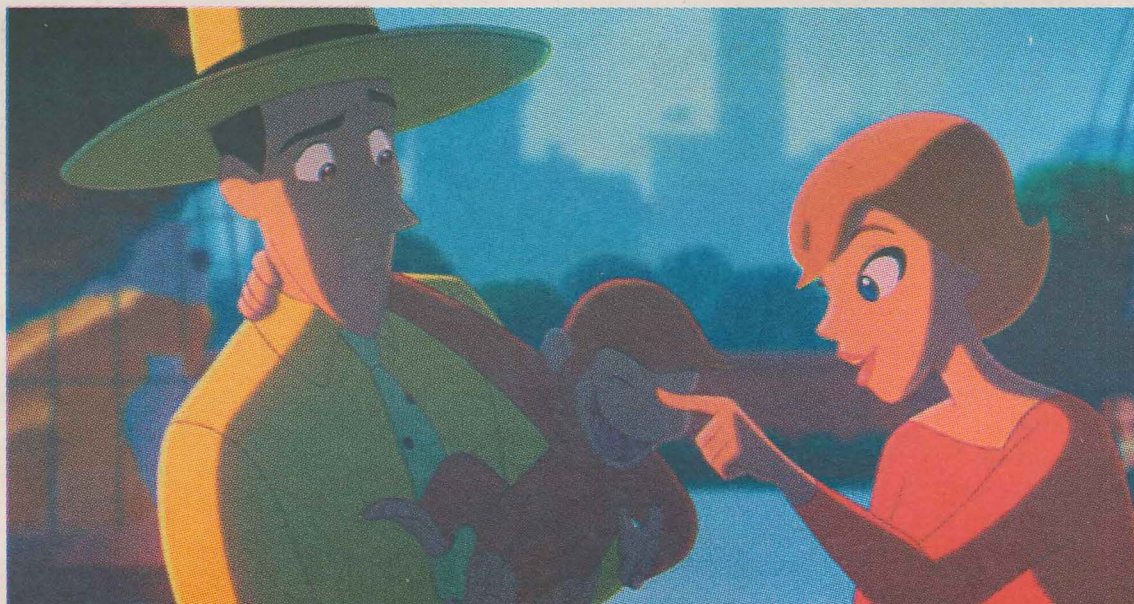


Jarrod Burns
Entertainment Writer

Most of the children's movies to come out the last few years are 3D computer animation or live-action with 3D animated main characters. These two types of films aren't always bad (though most of the latter are). Of the few traditionally animated films to be released lately, even fewer are worthy of any praise, and this will likely continue as Disney has shut down its 2D animation studio.

I didn't know what type of animation was going to be used in "Curious George" until I watched the film, and I was pleasantly surprised to find a mostly 2D animated feature, though with a different style than the Disney animated films of the past: the movie's smooth comic style looks more like a well polished Saturday morning cartoon.

The plot of the film is quite predictable. Nobody should really mind this, though, since it is "Curious George," a movie based on children's picture books. If the less than original story is in any way irritating, it's a fault that is



Source: www.rottentomatoes.com

"Curious George" is refreshingly, entirely kid-friendly. No adult-oriented humor and no pandering. If you liked the books when you were a kid (and who didn't?), this movie will give you the warm fuzzies.

quickly forgiven when watching your favorite childhood monkey get into and out of trouble. This film will definitely remind you just how much you've always wanted a monkey.

The nostalgic value isn't the only positive thing about this movie. The cast of "Curious George" gives the characters of the film fitting voices, most notable of whom is Will Ferrell as the Man in the Yellow Hat and the voice of Nibbler from "Futurama" as the title character. Rounding out the rest of the characters are David Cross, Dick Van Dyke, Drew Barrymore and Eugene Levy.

The music in the movie is provided by Jack Johnson, which may or may not be a good thing.

The movie is refreshingly, entirely kid-friendly. There are no adult jokes and nothing you will have to explain to youngsters seeing it.

"Curious George" may not have the adult humor that many children's movies have to keep the elders happy, but it should still be enjoyable to anyone who sees it. If you liked the books when you were a kid (and you did if you ever were a kid), then you will like the movie that brings the monkey to life.

The 411

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>Bye Bye Birdie, Mabel Tainter Theater, 7:30 p.m., \$15.
>Divided Highway, Tailgates, 9 p.m., Free.

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>Comedy Night, Jericho's Lounge & Grill, 9 p.m., \$5.
>Point B, The Mousetrap, 10 p.m., Free.

Saturday, Feb. 25

>Bye Bye Birdie, Mabel Tainter Theater, 7:30 p.m., \$15.
>The Vehicle, Acoustic Cafe, 8:30 p.m., Free.

Sunday, Feb. 26

>Bye Bye Birdie, Mabel Tainter Theater, 2 p.m., \$15.

Monday, Feb. 27

>The Q-tet, Stones Throw, 9 p.m., Free.

Tuesday, Feb. 28

>Turntable Tuesday, Stones Throw, 9:30 p.m., Free.

Wednesday, March 1

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Out@Stout offers SafeSpace

By Jennifer Gauthier
Campus Writer

The organization Out@Stout puts on Safe Space workshops multiple times per semester; the next workshop takes place on April 5.

"Safe Space is just that; it is UW-Stout's way to create safe spaces on campus where students who identify themselves as being gay/lesbian/bisexual/transgendered (GLBT) can go and talk to people who are sensitive to their needs and have someone to listen while still maintaining the confidentiality that they desire," said Jon, the vice president of Out@Stout who prefers not to reveal his last name, as he prefers to keep his personal life private.

"Safe Space is a program for those people who are allies, or who, in fact, do identify themselves as GLBT and want to genuinely help others who are in the process of coming out," said Jon.

Everyone is welcome to attend the workshops, regardless of sexual orientation, so long as you genuinely desire to support gay rights, have a desire to learn about different sexualities and provide a supportive listening environment.

The workshop is designed to be a safe space, defined by the materials provided as "an identifiable supportive environment where two or more people can talk about sexuality and gender issues openly and constructively."

It aims mainly to open the lines of communication, increase access to accurate information about sexuality and gender identity, and provide resources for people needing support or just someone to talk to without fear of harassment or ridicule. The aim is to stop the perpetuation of ignorance and myths about sexuality and gender identity.

After completion of the workshop, Safe Space magnets

or signs are provided for display in a visible and prominent place such as on a residence hall door or window.

"Displaying the Safe Space symbol will tell GLBT students and staff that the particular individual strives for understanding, wishes to be trusted in conversation regarding sexual orientation, and is supportive of sexual orientation issues," said Erica Wurm, the Wigen Hall Director, who feels it's important that GLBT students at the University of Wisconsin-Stout know that "they are not alone if they are struggling with issues related to their sexual or gender identity. There are places for them to go if they need someone to talk with or just a place that they can be themselves.

Sometimes those places can be hard to find and that is why the Safe Space Program is designed

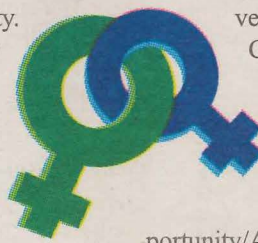
to help identify those places here on campus."

Like other forms of discrimination, such as racism and sexism, harassment based on someone's sexuality or gender identity can put people in danger, either from physical violence or emotional abuse, which can be just as damaging. If safety is an issue, protective services (campus police) should be called so they can handle the situation.

Counseling is always available at the University Counseling Center in Bowman Hall, and other resources for GLBT students include the Dean of Students Office, Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action Office, University Police, Housing & Residence Life, Multicultural

Student Services and Out@Stout. Additional resources can be found at the links at the Out@Stout Web site at <http://www.uwstout.edu/student/out>.

Out@Stout wants to remind GLBT or ambivalent students and staff that they aren't alone; there are a lot of people who are willing to help or just talk. Anyone is welcome to attend a Safe Space workshop or Out@Stout meetings and support is always available.



In the mood for something different?

By Amanda Schroeder
Campus Writer

Are you looking for something different for dinner but aren't quite sure what you feel like eating? Instead of the same old burgers, fries and pizza, try some Indian or Japanese food. With such a diverse variety of ethnic cuisines, the sky is the limit.

Are you feeling like something spicy? Try some Indian food.

"India is the home of spices," said Narmada Boppana, a graduate student from India in the food and nutritional sciences program.

Many common Indian spices include cloves, turmeric, cinnamon, nutmeg, ginger, garlic, cardamom and peppers.

Other common Indian foods include teas, rice, pitas called chipatis, yogurt and fermented foods such as idli and dosa. Although there are many foods that Indians eat, there are also some foods some of them may avoid depending on their religion, including beef, pork and tubers.

"Meal times are family uniting, a time to gather to eat food," said Boppana.

So, gather with your friends to try this authentic Indian recipe that Boppana supplied. This makes a large recipe, so cut it down if you are only cooking for one or two people.

Chicken Biryani

- 1 lb basmati rice
- 1 lb chicken

- 2 onions, long slices
- 4 green chilies, sliced long
- 1/2 cup coconut, grated
- A pinch of saffron
- 1 cup ghee (butter) or oil
- Salt to taste
- 1/2 tsp chili powder
- 1 bunch cilantro and mint leaves
- 3 each: whole cloves, whole cardamoms, cinnamon sticks
- 1 tbsp coriander
- 2 garlic cloves, sliced long
- 1/4 inch ginger piece
- 1 bay leaves
- Few cashew nuts



1. Wash the rice, drain off all the water and keep aside.
2. Mix coconut, coriander, one clove, one cinnamon, one cardamom, one onion and blend them to a fine paste.

3. Heat ghee in a pan, fry the remaining cloves, cinnamon, cardamom, chopped onions, green chilies and garlic for a few minutes.

4. Cut the chicken into desired pieces and add to the pan with the coriander and mint leaves.

5. Also add the salt, chili powder, turmeric and ginger and cook the chicken by covering the pan. Add water if required.

6. Now add the ground paste to the pieces and cook until it is done.

7. Boil water in another pan, add washed rice to the water with saffron, and cook until it is tender. Remove from heat, and drain off all the water.

8. In a separate wide pan, place the rice at the bottom as a layer and above this place the chicken pieces as another layer. Repeat this process with the remainder of the chicken and rice.

Sprinkle the lemon juice on top, and allow it to cook on low heat for about 10 minutes. Sprinkle with cashew nuts as a garnish.

You could also try some delicious Japanese cuisine. Some common Japanese foods include rice, soy sauce based foods, fish, miso soup, tofu, fermented soybean based foods and sushi.

Green tea is also very popular. Hiroyuki Takano, an associate lecturer originally from Japan who graduated from the food and nutritional sciences graduate program, said, "We drink green tea like Americans drink water."

Some of Takano's favorite foods are miso soup, sushi and

tempura. One eating habit that the Japanese are known for is eating with chopsticks.

"Even miso soup is eaten with chopsticks," said Takano.

Eating is also a gathering in Japan, like in India. Usually each person has a bowl of rice and there are several other dishes on the table for people to share.

So, get out your chopsticks and find your friends to share this unique Japanese recipe for Okonomiyaki. This recipe from www.recipezaar.com was supplied by Takano. He chose this simplified recipe because the authentic recipe includes many hard to find ingredients.

Okonomiyaki (Japanese Pizza, Japanese pancake)

- 2/3 cup all-purpose flour
- 1/2 cup shredded cabbage
- 1/3 cup water

- 1 slice ham or bacon, diced
- 1 egg
- 1 tablespoon barbecue sauce
- 2 tablespoon mayonnaise
- salt and pepper

(Optional) You may add additional favorite vegetables: green onions, mushrooms, corn, etc. You can also replace meat with seafood such as shrimp. Shredded cheese would be nice to sprinkle on the top to serve!

1. Combine the flour, water, egg, salt and pepper.
2. Add shredded ham or bacon and cabbage.
3. Pour enough oil into a pan to cover the base.
4. When oil is heated, add all or half the mixture.
5. Brown on both sides.
6. Combine the BBQ sauce and mayonnaise and smear on the fritters to serve.



Renee Currington/Stoutonia

In Japanese and Indian culture, mealtimes are opportunities for family gatherings and sharing dishes among friends. Indian cuisine is rich with spices, while authentic Japanese cuisine is rice and soy based.

Red Cross Blood Drive comes to campus

By Heidi Sleep
Campus Writer

Give the gift of blood this year.

Gamma Sigma Sigma will be sponsoring the American Red Cross Blood Drive that is coming to campus. Members from Chi Lambda and Phi Theta Chi will also be helping with this event. The blood drives will be held Tuesday, Feb. 28 from 1 p.m. to 7 p.m. and Wednesday, Mar. 1 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

How did Gamma Sigma Sigma get involved with sponsoring the blood drive?

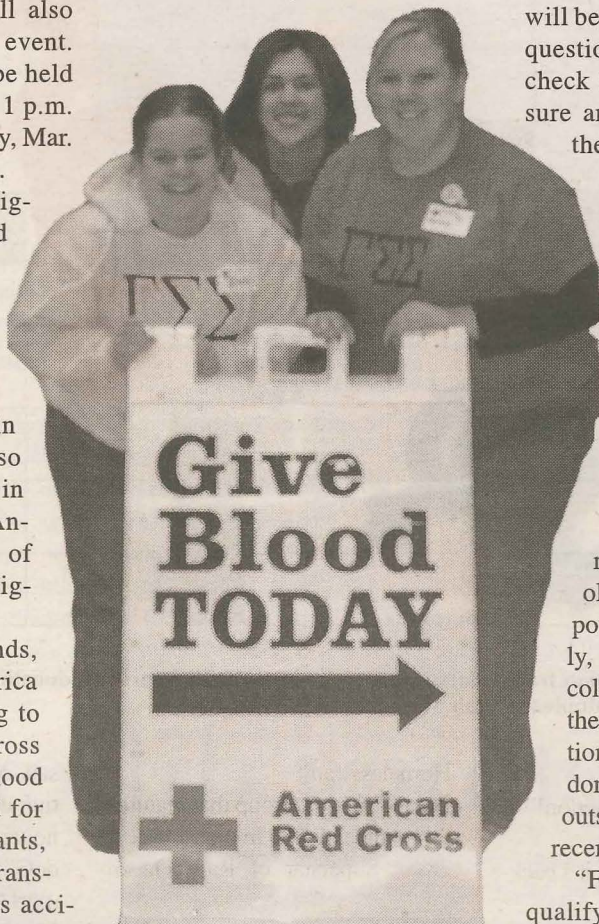
"The key is we are a service sorority and it is a way for us to get known in the community and also to help those who are in need," said Nicole Anderson, vice president of service for Gamma Sigma Sigma.

Every two seconds, someone in America needs blood, according to the American Red Cross blood bulletin. The blood that is donated is used for bone marrow transplants, heart and kidney transplants and it also helps acci-

dent victims, premature babies and cancer and leukemia patients, just to name a few.

"One out of every ten people admitted to the hospital needs blood, so it's important that we have the blood supply when it is needed," said Anderson.

According to the



American Red Cross blood facts, only five percent of Americans who are eligible to give blood actually do so annually. The need for blood is constant, and donating blood is a safe and simple process.

The donation process usually takes about one hour. Donors need to sign in and they will be asked some basic health questions. Then, the staff will check the donor's blood pressure and temperature and test their iron levels. The actual blood donation only takes approximately 10 minutes. After donating, there are refreshments and snacks, which help to replace important fluids.

The American Red Cross lists some basic requirements for donating blood. Donors must be at least 17 years old, weigh at least 110 pounds and most importantly, donors must not have a cold, sore throat or flu. Also, there may be some restrictions on a person's ability to donate if they have traveled outside of the United States recently.

"Fewer and fewer people qualify, so it's up to those

who do qualify to give," said Dr. Bruce Maylath, associate professor and director for the technical communication department.

"[I donate blood] because it helps," said Nate Kennedy, a senior in technical communication. "It's not like it takes a long time and it doesn't hurt."

"There is no reason for me not to," said Kennedy.

People often get very busy and may not have the time to

donate blood, but the blood mobiles help to make the process easier. Anyone interested in donating at the American Red Cross Blood Drive on campus may sign up at www.givelife.org.

The process is very simple and a confirmation e-mail will be sent out. Anyone that sets up a time is strongly encouraged to keep the appointment.

Student undergoes surgery



Kyley Van Note/Stoutonia

By Renee Currington
Campus Editor

Cassy Bourget, a UW-Stout business senior, underwent a pancreas transplant on Friday afternoon, Feb. 16.

"The surgery went pretty well," said Bourget. "The surgeons said as soon as the pancreas was in me, it began to produce insulin."

She stayed a week in the

hospital, and for the next four to six weeks Bourget will stay in the Rochester area for post-operation recovery.

Bourget is unable to continue with school this semester.

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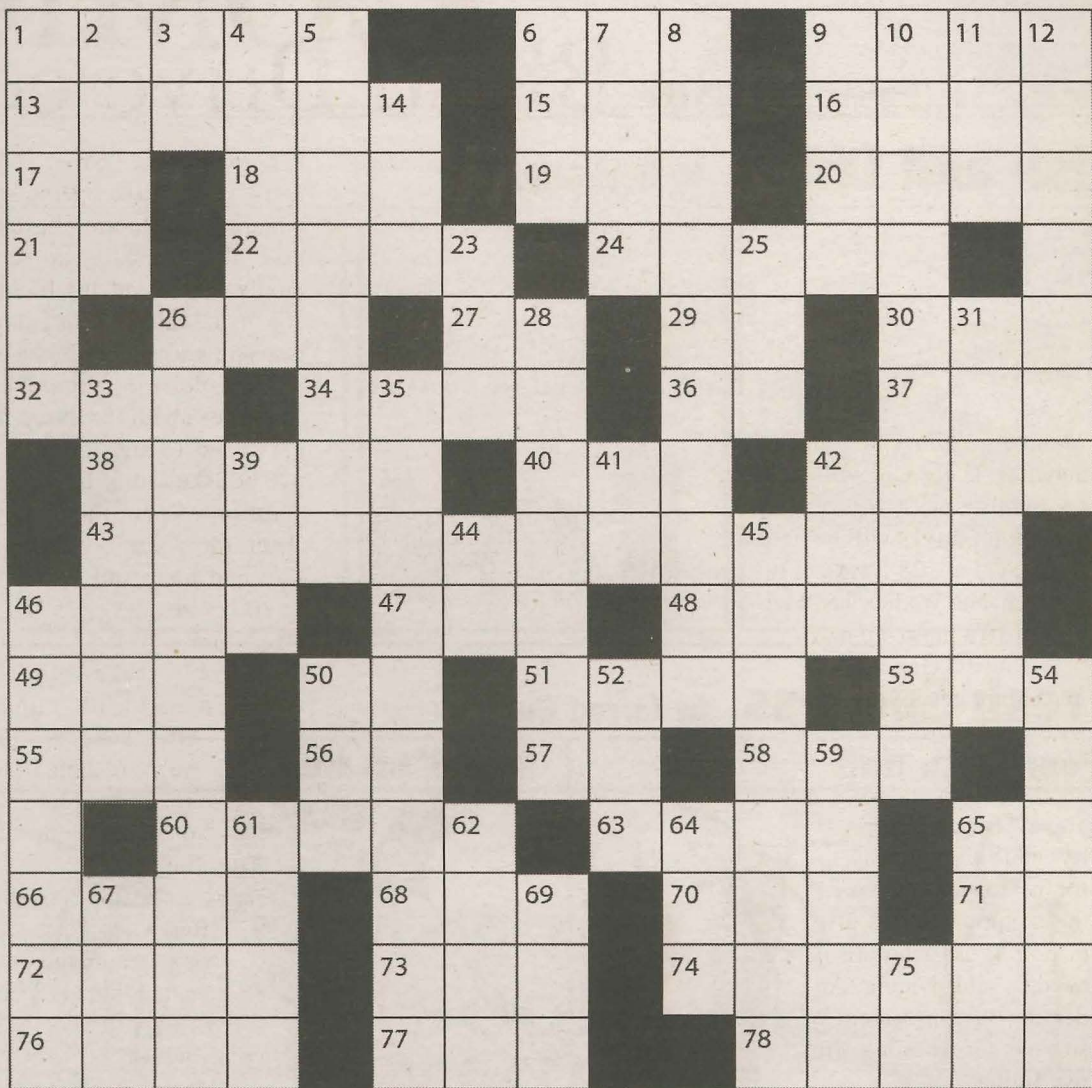
Hip-Hop and Rap Puzzle

Celebrate Black History Month with fun

Across

1. * Last Name of the Hip-Hop impresario/star and producer who used to go by the name of Puff Daddy --but now goes by P.Diddy
6. * "___ Me Blow Ya Mind" (Song by Eve, featuring Gwen Stefani)
9. * Heard at the Hip-Hop party: "You can't just sit there! You've got to get ___ you want to feel the music! Come on, let's dance!"
13. * Mobb Deep song: "___ (Anything)"
15. Hosp. locale
16. One who feels regret
17. Loop train
18. Hatchway, minus the "ning"
19. Make-a-Word! F-i-_-e-_- (Strain)
20. senilceD
21. Certain epoch, without the "cene"
22. Q. "Is an ___ device used in rowing?" A. "Yes, it is."
24. * Last Name of the basketball superstar who also likes to Rap
26. * Grammy-nominated artist of the song at #56A ...but backwards?
27. * Mr. Cool J (Artist with Def Jam Recordings)
29. Atomic #73
30. Zippy, without the "Br"
32. Make-a-Word! _a_-l_- (Expensive fur)
34. Q. "Is an ___ baseball official?" A. "Yes."
36. * "Where the Party ___" (Grammy-nominated song by Jagged Edge which features the vocal work of the artist at #60A)

37. "gnimo" eht tuohtiw ,gnih-caorppA
38. With rapid movements (bkwds.)
40. Restaurant bill
42. * First Name of #1A
43. * Trio that had a big hit with "Rapper's Delight"
46. Mr. Preminger
47. * Last Word in the title of the album at #5D ...but it's backwards?
48. Sort of duck
49. eton yrossimorP
50. * Person (for short) who plays #8D
51. Organization, for short
53. Dad's wife
55. Deuce
56. * "___ eW ohW"
57. "That's so funny!"
58. * "...kcab thgir llac ___ dna pu gnaH" :rehsU yb "daB tI toG U" gnose eht morf traP
60. * Grammy-nominated artist of the track "Ride Wit Me" (From the album 'Country Grammar')
63. Tidings
65. * "___ Jackson"
66. Highest point
68. * Just- or -T
70. Some Soldiers, for short
71. Something in the Classifieds, briefly
72. Sensitive
73. gnirevoc rooLF
74. * "Always ___" is by Ja Rule, featuring Ashanti
76. Heroine of Hardy's
77. Antiquity
78. ___ ot riA :kcirt gnidraob-wonS



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Down

1. * "Lights, Camera, Action!" is by Mr. who?
2. Spread for bread ...but it's backwards?
3. * "Oops (Oh ___)" is by Tweet
4. Flowers do it in Spring
5. * Album by Missy "Misdemeanor" Elliott (First two words --See #47A for a Related Clue)
6. * Bow Wow or Kim or Romeo
7. Prefix that means "Outside"
8. * Rap Music instruments
9. Major or Minor
10. * Chuck D's group
11. "eg" eht tuohtiw ,not lartueN
12. * Grammy-nominated song by Missy "Misdemeanor" Elliott in the 'Best Rap Solo Performance' category: "Get Ur ___"
14. trohs rof ,noitatoR
23. Snow-capped thing
25. * Part from the All-Star Tribute song "What's Going On" which is the cover version of the Marvin Gaye classic: "What's going on / When our children can't play /

Homeless can't ___"

26. * The ___: Group that features the sounds of #8D in their music
28. * Superstar of Rap: Queen ___
31. sehcruhc ni deyalp era yehT
33. Give a Gift
35. * "No More Drama" is this Singer-Songwriter's album
39. In the past
41. * (oirt poH-piH) luos ___ eD
42. * Another part from the song mentioned at #25D: "All the kids with dreams / Won't get the chance to chase it / Makes me ___ / Think about the lives they would've had"
44. * (slaitnI) rebmem seeguF ehT
45. * R & B superstar who teamed up with Rap star Ludacris on the song "That's How I Get Down"
46. * Grammy-nominees in the 'Best Rap Performance by a Duo or Group' category for the song at #65A
50. * nileppeZ ___ :dnab siht ni

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52. * Rapper with the album called "Stillmatic" ...but in reverse?
54. * Rapper whose real name is Dante Beze
59. * "Itaerg ___" :mubla poH-piH wen a fo noinipo s'naF
61. * J.Lo and P.Diddy (What they are to each other after breaking up)
62. * Actress mentioned in the Destiny's Child song "Independent Woman, Pt. 1" ...but backwards?
64. Self-importance
65. * Part from the song "Survivor" by Destiny's Child: "...Cause my ___ taught me better than that"
67. He wrote "The Raven" (1845)
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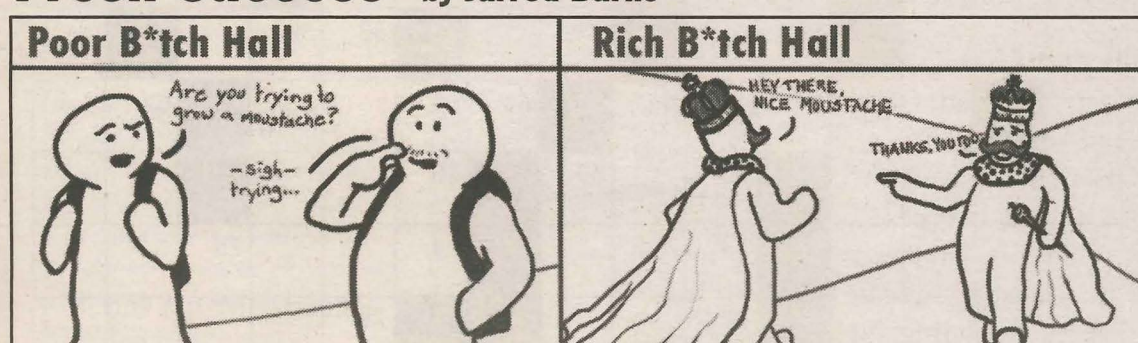


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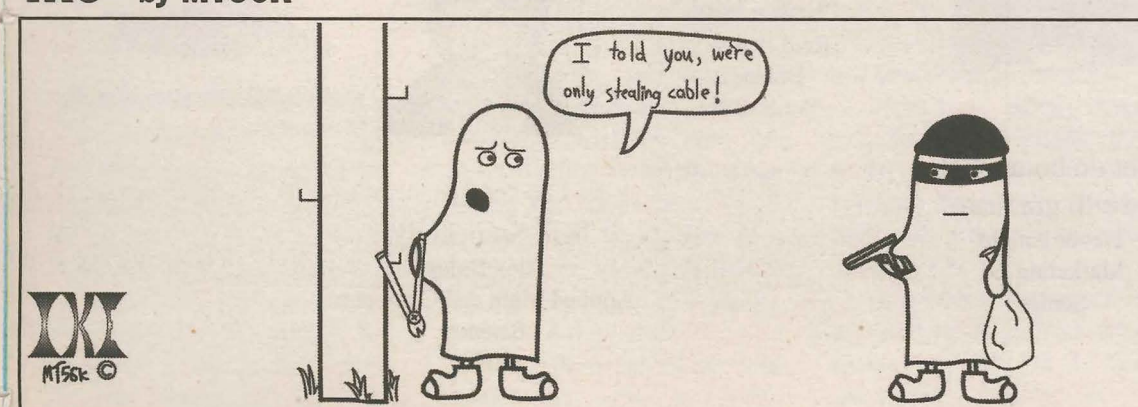
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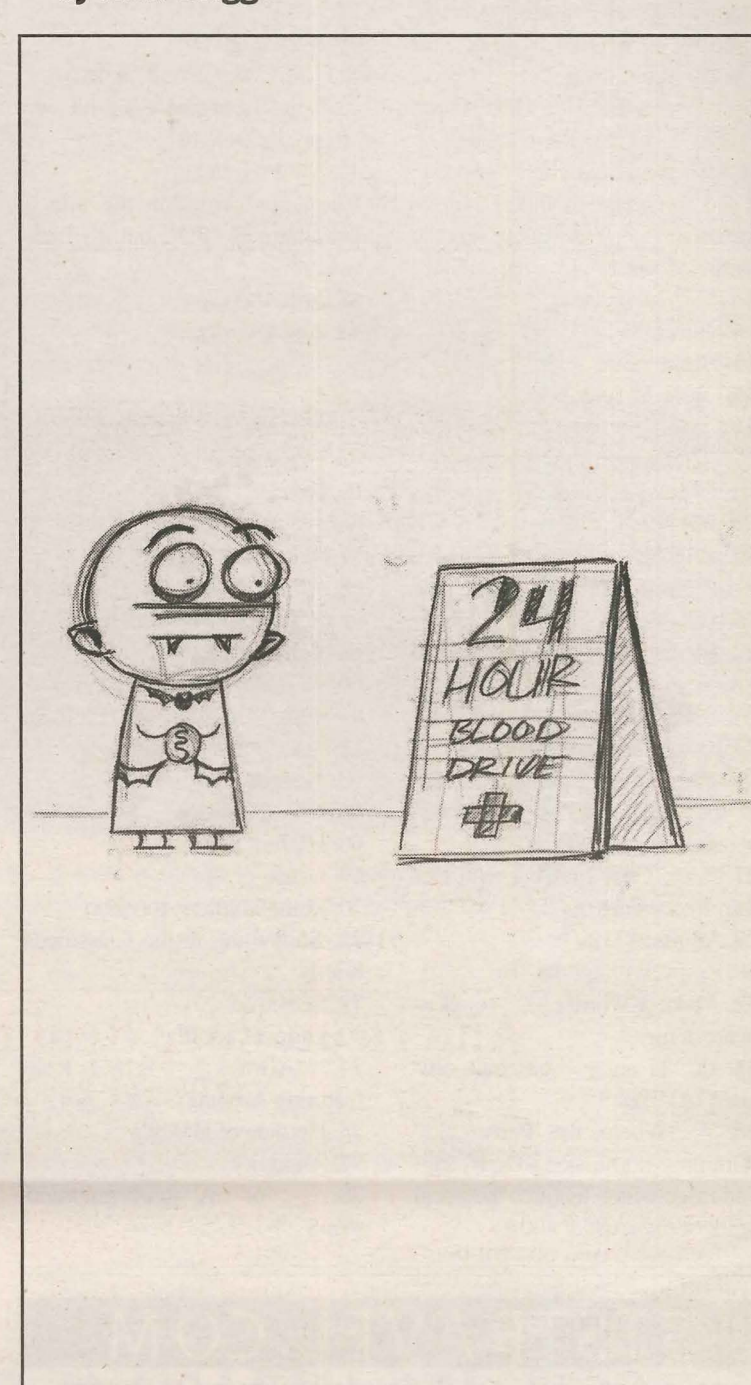
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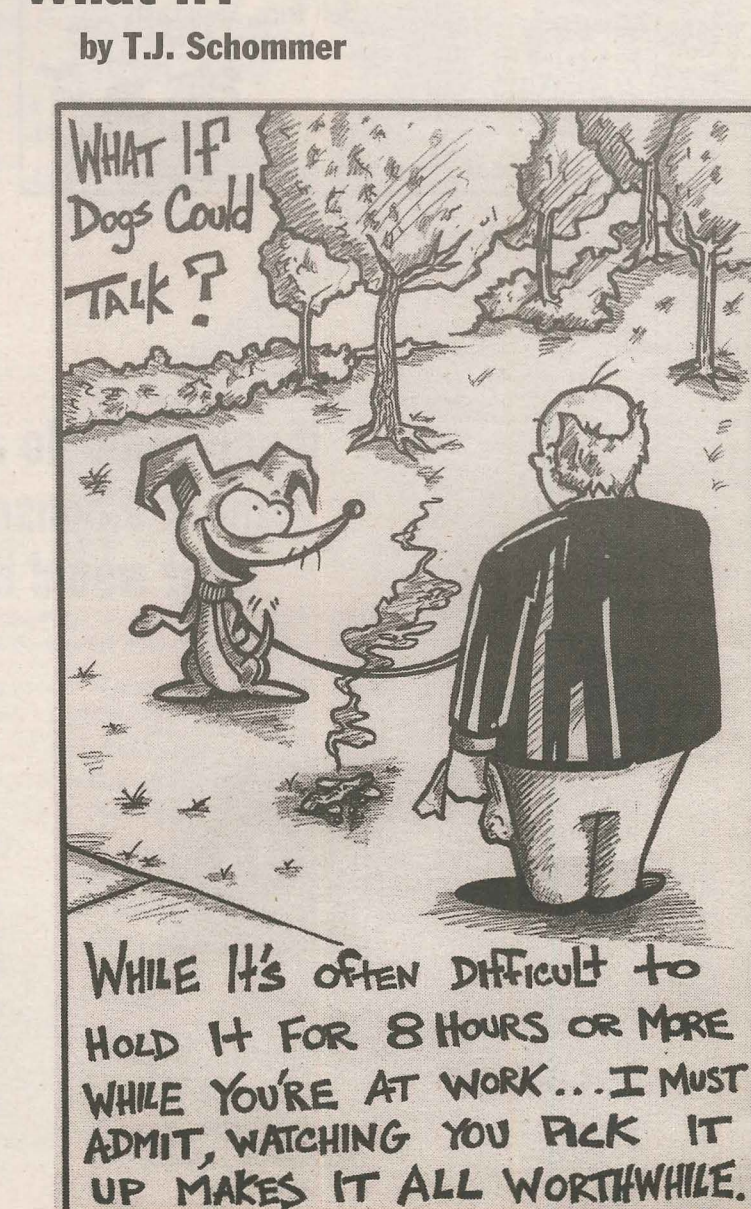
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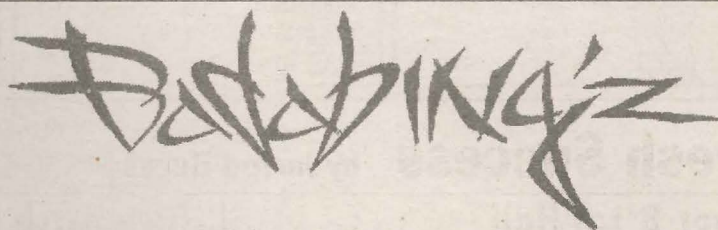
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6	2	415 13th Avenue West	\$1,050	\$175	\$1,330	\$222	Modern house very lrg. rooms, good location	H
6	2	1603 7th Street	\$1,170	\$195	\$1,450	\$242	Washer/dryer new carpet, very nice	H
6	2	321 20th Avenue #B	\$1,200	\$200	\$1,445	\$241	New, large bedrooms, washer/dryer	4
6	2	115 1/2 17th Avenue West	\$1,200	\$200	\$1,445	\$241	Newer unit, great location, washer/dryer	D
6	2	115 17th Avenue West	\$1,100	\$183	\$1,360	\$226	Location, washer/dryer Parking	D
7	2	220 12th Avenue West	\$1,190	\$170	\$1,415	\$202	Great location, washer/dryer	H
7	2	1415 9th Street	\$1,260	\$180	n/a	n/a	Near campus, shopping, garage and wash/dry	H
7	2	207 12th Avenue West	\$1,260	\$180	n/a	n/a	Walking distance to campus, garage, porch	H
7	2	1321 2nd Street West	\$1,400	\$200	\$1,700	\$243	Large house, 1 block from campus	H
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MLB warms up for summer



Bryan Horwath
Sports Writer

You may not be able to tell by the weather, but baseball is right around the corner.

Yes, after a long winter, the boys of summer are back with major league spring training camps opening in Florida and Arizona this week.

This year we have a whole new batch of questions that will be answered as spring turns to

summer and summer into autumn: Can the Yankees end their six year championship drought? Can the Twins rebound after missing the playoffs for the first time since 2001? Can the ever-improving Brewers contend in the tough NL Central?

Oh, and what will Roger Clemens and Barry Bonds do? Will they both retire? Will they play more? What will those two have for breakfast tomorrow? Only time will tell, I guess.

Okay, enough with the introductions; let's take a look at the two teams that spark interest in this area.

Minnesota: the Twins finished a disappointing 83-79 in 2005, good enough for third

place in the AL Central. The mediocre season ended a three-year playoff run and left fans and pitchers alike frustrated over a lack of offense.

The Twins starting rotation led by former Cy Young winner Johan Santana posted a 3.93 ERA last year, good enough for fourth place in the AL.

Unfortunately for the Twins, it was their offense that let them down, as the team was at or near the bottom of the league in almost every meaningful category.

In an attempt to correct the problem and keep the team afloat in the suddenly ultra-tough central division GM Terry Ryan signed Rondell White and Tony

Batista and traded for Louis Castillo. By any measure, these are good, but not great additions.

Right field (with Jacque Jones gone) and shortstop remain question marks, but the Twins will have healthy versions of Joe Mauer, Tori Hunter and Shannon Stewart, at least for the start of the year.

A solid bullpen adds to the Twins' pitching prowess, but, just like last year, the team's fate will likely hinge on how many runs it can score.

Both Chicago and Cleveland are expected to be better, so winning the division will be tough, but a wild card both could be possible.

Prediction: Pitching is the name of the game, and the Twins have it. That said, I don't think Batista and White are the answer to the team's power outage.

I think Minnesota will contend for most of the year only to narrowly miss the playoffs.

Milwaukee: Brett Favre began the 1993 season for Green Bay as a full-time starter for the first time in his career and never had a losing season until 2005.

The Brewers barely missed the playoffs with a 92-70 record in 1992 then finished with a losing record every season until 2005 when they were 81-81.

Coincidence? I think not. Yes, Wisconsin sports fans, the Packers are now terrible, but cheer up because things have not looked brighter for the local nine since Sir Mix-A-Lot was topping the charts.

With a pitching staff that surprised everybody to finish with a very respectable 3.98 team ERA, the Brew Crew has found an identity.

If Doug Davis, Chris Capuano and a healthy Ben Sheets can

duplicate that success in the starting rotation, Milwaukee should be just fine.

Not to mention the fact that the Brewers also have a good bullpen, led by save-specialist Derek Turnbow, and as solid a group of young players as any team in the majors (save maybe Tampa Bay).

Among those youngsters looking to contribute on a full-time basis this year are Rickie Weeks and Prince Fielder.

Lyle Overbay was traded in the offseason to make room for Fielder; Weeks, who struggled at times in the field down the stretch last year, is a star in the making who only needs experience at this level.

With Geoff Jenkins (25 HR) and Carlos Lee (114 RBI) providing the power and the recent addition of ex-Twin Corey Koskie to add depth to the infield, this is clearly Milwaukee's best team in a long, long time.

The problem for the Brewers is where they play. The NL Central, with the likes of perennial heavy hitters St. Louis and Houston, is no cake walk and it will only be tougher if the big-spending Cubs finally get their act together this year.

Add an improving Cincinnati team and there is little room for losing streaks in this division.

Prediction: The Brewers are a lot like the Twins, only with more power in the middle of the lineup.

If Weeks and Fielder live up to their potential, Milwaukee will provide what Wisconsin baseball fans have been missing for almost a generation: a pennant race deep into September.

Like the Twins, though, the Crew will fall just short of the postseason.



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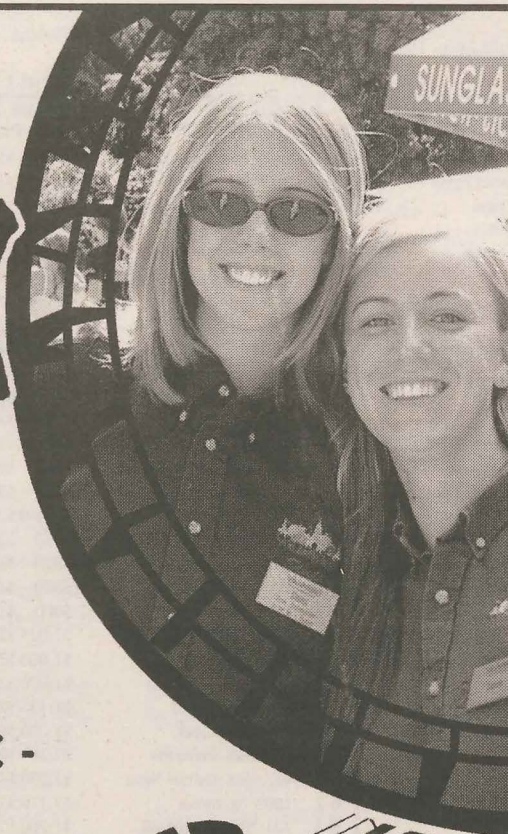
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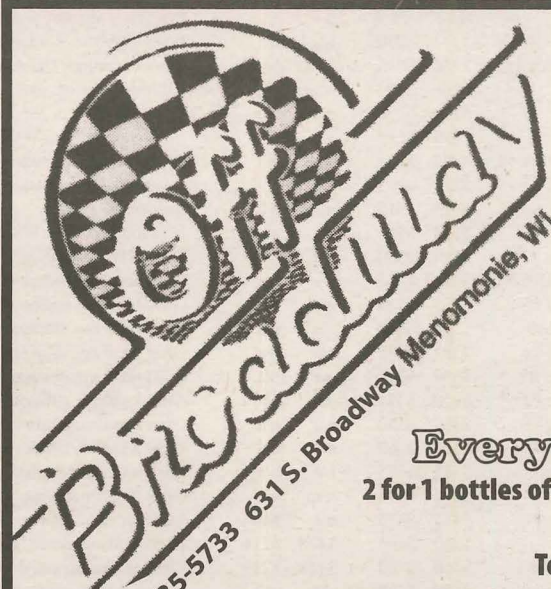
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Skating scandal Hockey on to semi's

By Casey Nold
Sports Writer

On Saturday, Feb. 18, the United States of America earned a gold medal with a new Olympic record along with controversy.

Shani Davis became the first African-American male athlete to ever win an individual gold medal in a winter Olympics. February is black history month, so this is just in time. The 23-year-old from Chicago picked up skating in the first grade when his mother's co-worker suggested he should try it.

Now Davis holds the Olympic record for speed skating. But with all the attention drawn toward his let down to the American speed skating team, his accomplishment seems blurred.

Just two days before Davis was to compete with his team in the speed skating event, he decided to drop out without helping his team earn another Olympic gold medal.

Davis lost United States funding because he refused to remove a Dutch logo from his body suit. By refusing to remove the logo it showed a little disrespect toward the United States and resulted in an unhealthy relationship with the country he is supposed to be representing.

"It's really hard to question someone's patriotism," said Davis. There's a war going on.

Some people choose to go fight. Some choose to stay home. Does that mean the ones who go fight are more patriotic? Who's to

say? People make choices. Just because I don't wear a bunch of USA speed skating stuff doesn't mean I don't love my country."

Chad Hedrick, five time gold medalist and speed skater on the U.S. team, criticized Davis for not being a team player. With Davis not competing in the team event he was supposed to, the United States did not obtain a medal. Chad feels that Davis didn't want him to earn another medal and that he used that as a reason not to compete with the team.

"I respect the talent Shani has, but we don't have the same outlook on things," said Hedrick in regarding his confusion concerning Davis. "I'm here to be part of team USA not just for [focus on] individual events."

Hedrick did compete in individual events as well, but he didn't ignore the team that he represents at these Olympics.

Davis went on to say that he thought speed skating was more of an individual event rather than a team event and that he wasn't trying to hold Hedrick back on any of his accomplishments, be it team or individual.

Being one of the few black males to compete in the winter games, Shani expressed many feelings about what it's like to be the only fish in the sea.

"Most black athletes choose track and field, basketball and other sports, but I chose a different route," said Davis. "I love what I do and wanted to be the best."

Shani said that for as long as he can remember he dreamed of winning an Olympic gold medal in his favorite event: the 1,000 meter. He not only accomplished this goal, but he now holds the world record for it.

"It's a breakthrough, and if people in America are excited to have a black Olympic champion, then I'm happy I can make them happy," Davis said responding to the controversial issues surrounding his win.

By Matt Edison
Sports Writer

The Blue Devil men's hockey team is taking charge here at the end of their season as they are now in the National Collegiate Hockey Association playoffs and will move onto the second round.

As the season came to a closure, the Blue Devils finished the season with an overall record of 15-12 and 6-8 in the conference; just enough to give Stout the No. 7 seed in the NCHA Quarterfinals. This year the Blue Devils pushed 15 wins in this season tying the all time best.

Terry Watkins, the head coach for the men's hockey team has been coaching for the past nine years. This is Watkins' second time having a squad achieve more than 15 wins during a season.

These past couple weeks, UW-Stout has taken on the University of Wisconsin River-Falls a total of four times in which the Blue Devils won three games. The most important triumph for the Blue Devils was their win this past Saturday in which UW-Stout battled the Falcons in overtime, ending 3-2. The Falcons were a No. 2 seed in the Northern Collegiate Hockey Association Quarterfinals.

As the team goes further and further in the playoffs, more pressure will be on Justin Huth, the team's captain. The assistant captains of the team are B.J. Garczynski (junior) and Mike Kautz (senior).

Recently, UW-Stout has sought out victory by outshooting their opponents 40-20. River-Falls is one of the best defensive teams in the country and UW-Stout out-shot them in the last three games.

"We have really come together as a team throughout the season and I feel that is where all our success has come from," said Garczynski.

Andrew Stearns (junior) is the leading scorer for the Blue Devils this season with a total of 14 goals. Stearns scored the winning goal against the Falcons



Courtesy: Sports Information

With a 3-2 win over UW-River Falls, the UW-Stout hockey team has advanced to the semi-final match to take on St. Norberts on Feb. 25.

in overtime to send the Blue Devils to the next round in the playoffs. Stearns also leads the team in game winning goals, so who knows what he has in store for this upcoming game.

UW-Stout will be traveling to De Pere, Wisconsin to take on St. Norbert College on Sat., Feb. 25. St. Norbert's is the top seed in the NCHA bracket, so this will be a challenge for the Blue Devils. St. Norbert's only lost three games during the regular season. There are only four teams left in the bracket; UW-Stout, University of Wisconsin-Superior, St. Norbert's and University of Illinois Lake Forest.

"We have very few weak-

nesses, except that we are going to have [to play] the No.1 ranked team in the country inside their barn," said coach Watkins.

What is going to be the x-factor for the Blue Devils in dominating the ice is UW-Stout goalie Mike Stone, who has been a brick wall this season and hopefully will stay strong for this Saturday's game.

"Mike has been standing on his head for us all year," said Garczynski.

Also the Blue Devils need to expect big things to happen by forward Andrew Stearns.

"I couldn't be any happier by the performance of this team," said coach Watkins.

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Blue Devil
ScoreboardHockey
(15-12)

The hockey team won 3-2 against UW-River Falls on Feb. 18

Next Game:
Feb. 25 at
St. Norbert

Men's Basketball
(18-5)

The basketball team defeated UW-River Falls 75-65

Next Game: Feb. 23 hosting
UW-Stevens Point

Women's Basketball
(19-7)

The women's basketball team defeated UW-La Crosse 75-59

Next Game: Feb. 25 hosting
UW-Stevens Point



Gymnastics

The gymnastics team lost to UW-Oshkosh on Feb. 17

Next Meet:
Feb. 24 at UW-Whitewater



Dashing for a victory

By Wes Simonis
Sports Writer
& Jessica Boe
Sports Editor

Men's head track and field coach Josh Bucholtz is looking at one of the most exciting seasons in his four years of coaching the Blue Devils.

During the indoor track and field season the University of Wisconsin-Stout has proved itself superior to nearly all opponents, and is now on the verge of advancing up to five athletes to the NCAA championships.

"Having a good, solid coaching staff has been the key to the success," said Bucholtz. "The team has had, and will continue to have that [in the] future."

Although the indoor season is brief, it is meaningful to those athletes who are looking at a chance for a national title. The indoor season also foreshadows which teams or competitors may be tough to beat in the spring season.

The Blue Devil men have placed second in two meets and took third in another. In both runner-up performances, the team was just behind the University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire.

In those top finishes, several athletes had standout performances, driving them to NCAA qualifying provisionals.

After reaching the provisional mark, athletes have the opportunity to reach the secondary mark, which is an automatic bid to the national meet.

Freshman Steven Leech

made provisional qualifications in the 55 meter high hurdles. He is currently tied for seventh place in the national ranking with a time of 7.73 seconds. His time is a mere .02 from breaking the school record. He is also in the top ten for the long jump.

"[Leech] has been consistent and is continually improving as the season has progressed," said Bucholtz. "It's great working with him because he is always making progress and is excited about what he does."

Another freshman making strides early in his career is Kendall Wade. Wade participates in multiple events but is standing out in the 55 meter dash and high hurdles.

He is currently eighth in the conference with a time of 6.58 seconds in the dash. His 7.92 seconds in the hurdles also has him in eighth overall.

Wade is on the board in two other events with a tenth place standing in the 200 meter dash and a tie for sixth in the high jump.

"I have big expectations for Wade in the upcoming meets as well as for his future college career," said Bucholtz.

Representing the veteran talent are Ryan Kawski and Ryan Carpenter. Both juniors have showed us a lot in the past, but will be looking to rise to the top this season.

Kawski set a new school record in the 35 pound weight throw. His throw of 56 feet, 8.5 inches met the provision-

al mark for the NCAA for the national meet.

"Kawski is looking for redemption after he made the qualifications for the Outdoor Nationals as a freshman but missed them last year," said Bucholtz. "He works hard and is a great team leader for the throw crew."

Carpenter made provisional qualifications in the triple jump with 46 feet, 1.5 inches. This is just short of the school record of 46 feet, 3.25 inches.

"Carpenter has been solid all year," said Bucholtz. "He has won every meet he's competed in, setting himself up for the high jump in the NCAA championship meet."

The Blue Devil women's track team has been adamant about being heard this season. Currently the team is ranked no. 22 nationally and there are several athletes who placed high, making some noise at large invitational meets.

"We have many outstanding freshmen, more than 20 new faces on this year's team," said coach Joe Harlan.

"Katee Rosburg, Abby Ekman, Christine Pineur, Kelly Schachtner and Pam Sellberg have all had big improvements from their high school marks and they have only been in a few meets so far. We have a lot of new faces that are ready to put up some big marks in the future."

With a strong group of seniors, including senior captains Sam Strunk, Camelle Meyer and Leah Karaliunas, the fresh faces

of the team will have great models to learn from.

"We have a team that gets along really well and works hard together; this is a sign of great leadership by our veterans," said Harlan.

The spotlight is on several strong competitors; at the Border Battle meet against St. Olaf College, Bridgette Crozier won the 3,000 meter run while Lindsay Kjolsing took second in the 200 meter dash.

Nikki Sims won the triple jump and took second in the long jump at two different meets this year.

Pam Sellberg won the pole vault at our home meet Friday night. Katee Rosburg placed second in the 600 meter, 1000 meter and mile run this year.

"Jasmine Patzner [who is coming close to taking the school record] has been running fast hurdle times all year and took second in the 55 meter hurdles at the Warren Bowlus Open," said Harlan.

"We have a really great group of athletes this year that are coming along more and more each week. I am really happy with our leaders and everyone has a good attitude and is working hard."

"We have all the ingredients for success, we are just young," said Harlan. "If we stay on this path, we should make great strides each week and can be a top 20 ranked team during the outdoor track season."

Both teams will be at the WIAC championships on March 3-4 at the UW-Stevens Point.

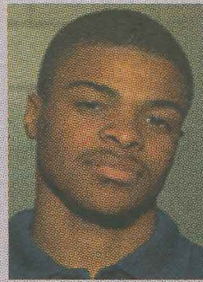
Who to watch for in Track & Field

Ryan Carpenter



Junior

Kendall Wade



Freshman

Bridgette Crozier



Sophomore

Main Events

Triple Jump
High Jump

Accomplishments

Made provisional qualifications in the triple jump with a jump of 46 feet, 1.5 inches.

The jump is just short of the school record of 46 feet, 3.25 inches.

NCAA Qualified?

Has hit the provisional mark, which puts him one step closer to an automatic bid.

He has won every meet that he has competed in this season so he is in great shape to go on.

55-Meter Dash
55-Meter Hurdles
200-Meter Dash
High Jump

Currently in the top 10 of the conference in four different events:

55-meter dash and hurdles, High Jump and Triple Jump.

Not yet. But coaches are impress with his talent thus far.

Even if he's not a candidate this season, expectations will be high for the upcoming outdoor season.

3,000-Meter Run
5,000-Meter Run

Placed first at the Border Battle in the 3000 meter run.

Was also runner-up at the Blue Devil Open in the 5000 meter run.

Not yet. Being last season's MVP and getting a win at the Border Battle this season are a boost.

She is another young candidate who has the opportunity to go far.

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DOUBLE WHAMMY

MEN'S AND WOMEN'S B-BALL GO NATIONAL

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And the winners are...



Courtesy: Layne Pitt/Sports Information

(left to right) Jenny McDermid, Ali Burke, Amanda Geissler, Molly Hendricks, Sarah Miles, Steffanie Nemitz and Dani Boese celebrate in their 84-70 victory over UW-Stevens Point to win the Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Conference title for the second year in a row. Find the full story on page 16.

Felons employed by UW

By Lindsey Schuldt
News Editor

In 2004, Scott Orme was taken into custody at the University of Wisconsin-Stout because he was facing allegations of interstate travel with a minor as well as trying to have sexual relations with the same minor. Orme is no longer under the UW System's payroll, but a recent audit found that 40 convicted felons are employed by the UW System.

The audit was done by the Legislative Audit Bureau last November and details of the final report were released last Tuesday. Two of the employees committed homicide in the 1970s and four of them are child sex offenders.

"Safety and security for our students and employees are always priority number one,"

said Kevin Reilly, president of the UW System.

Reilly plans on reviewing all of the felonies to see if they are related to the jobs the felons currently have.

"We'll keep looking for new ways to ensure controls in our campus day care centers and health-care facilities, residence halls, classrooms, financial management areas and for students and staff through the UW System," said Reilly.

"As the audit recommends, we will determine the types of jobs for which background checks should be conducted, and promulgate system-wide policies for conducting these checks of candidates for employment."

Of the 40 felons, three were faculty, four were academic staff, 32 were classified staff and one was a student.

"For an institution that prides itself on being a leader in research it seems they have dropped the ball on the most basic research-background checks," said Rep. Samantha Kerkman, a Wisconsin law maker.

UW-Madison employs more than half of the felons, topping the list with 27. UW-Stout does not have any felons on their payroll but UW-Eau Claire employs two.

Since the audit was done in November, 12 of the employees have been fired.

The audit was originally started because three UW-Madison professors were allowed to keep their jobs after being convicted of felonies. One of them has since been fired and Madison is looking into firing the others.

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Is Red Cedar Hall leaking?

Was it a design error or a natural happening?

By Tracy Consi Dine
News Writer

In the past couple months, the residents of Red Cedar Hall have become aware of leaking in the building. Though not a new issue for the building, leaking has been an irritation for the past few months.

Shirley Klebesadel, associate director of the Physical Plant at University of Wisconsin-Stout, explained that the reason for the leaking was not a building malfunction on any level.

The leaking is actually a natural process called curing, which means that the concrete beams that construct the building are naturally letting out some of the water that makes the concrete.

"The leaking is an issue but not a building failure" said Klebesadel.

Concrete has four ingredients, water, sand, cement, and aggregate (stone). There are more than 1,700 concrete beams that hold up Red Cedar Hall.

In order to secure the building and hold all the weight the concrete beams, which usually have three cylindrical holes through the center, needed to be filled.

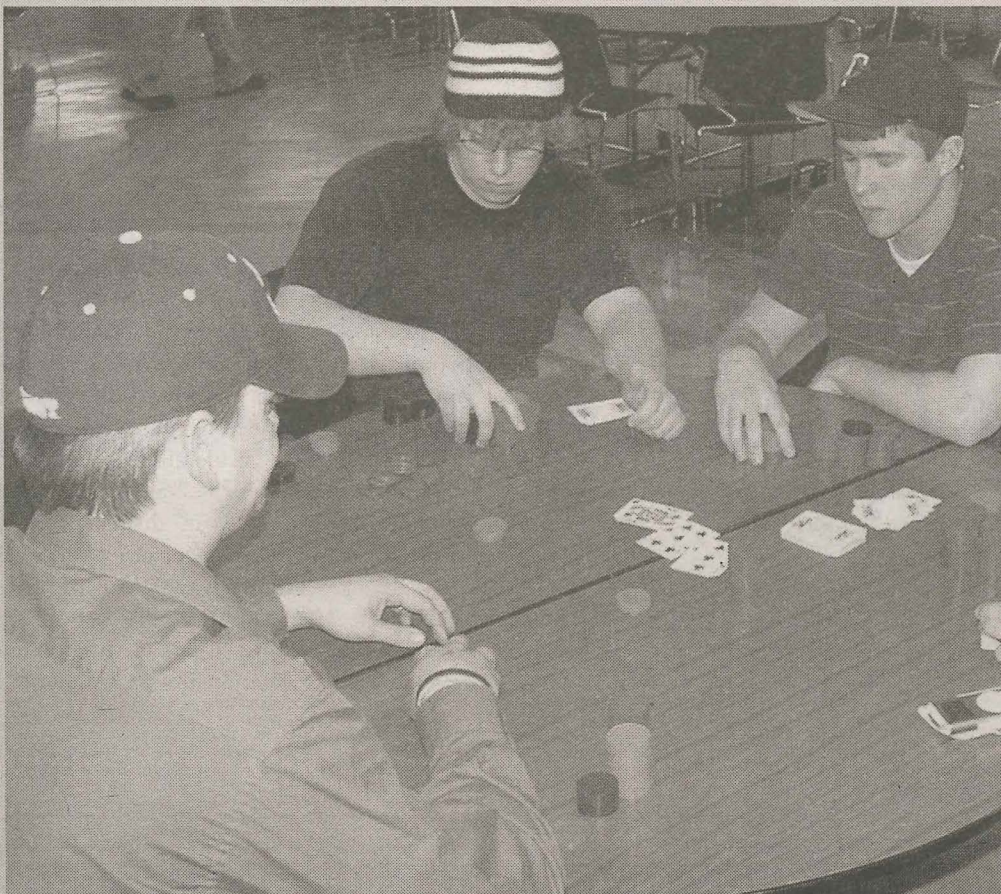
The filling makes the beams more supportive but traps the water that would naturally escape.

The top of these concrete beams are also covered with a layer of cement that is the floor for the next level up.

The only place for water to naturally be expelled, is through the bottom. Thus, the reason for the leaking.

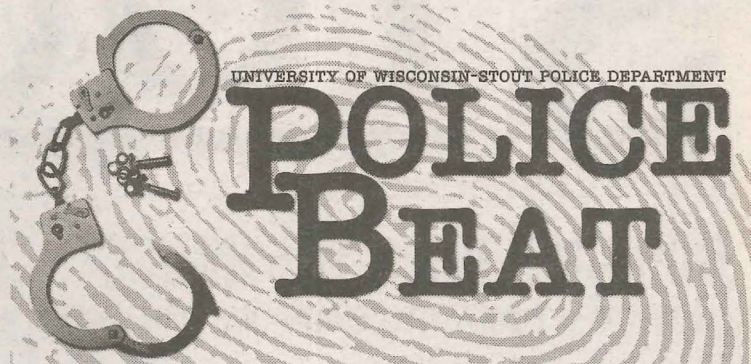
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Gambling for a good cause



Drew Retherford/Stoutonia

(left to right) Eric Kuphal, Eddy Blodgett and Kyle Erickson have a battle of the chips for WMMA's state civic project. The project is being done to benefit the Wisconsin Kidney Foundation and took place in the Crystal Ballrooms on Wednesday, Mar. 1.



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Underage drinking 1st offense: 11
Underage drinking 2nd offense: 1
Underage drinking 3rd offense: 1
Possession of marijuana: 2
Possession of drug paraphernalia: 2
ID card violation: 1
Obstructing a police officer: 1

Who let the air out?

On Wednesday, Feb. 15, a vehicle parked in UW-Stout parking lot 34 was vandalized. The vehicle's two right tires were punctured and flat.

Vehicle damage

On Tuesday, Feb. 14, in parking lot 4, a vehicle had one of its tail lights busted out. The student couldn't think of anyone he was having trouble with, there were no witnesses.

Kicked out

On Thursday, Feb. 16, complaints were made against a man who would sleep and watch television in the Student Center. A UW-Stout officer later found out that the man wasn't a student and told him to leave and that he could not return to the building.

Locked up

On Friday, Feb. 17, a man who was previously asked to leave the Student Center, was spotted going into the Sports and Fitness Center. Menomonie Police along with help from UW-Stout Police arrested him after finding the man in the bathroom. He was taken to Dunn County Jail.

No fire here

On Friday, Feb. 17, an unknown person discharged a fire extinguisher in Fryklund Hall. No suspects or witnesses were identified.

Still no flames

On Friday, Feb. 17, another fire extinguisher was shot off in Millennium Hall in the basement. Again, there were no suspects identified.

Lock your doors

On Tuesday, Feb. 21, a student's unlocked vehicle was broken into while parked in lot 22. Art supplies, CDs and a CD player faceplate were removed from the car. Permission was not given to enter the car and no witnesses were identified.

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Felons / 12 staff have already been fired

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Felonies Committed by UW Employees

(Some employees were convicted of more than one felony)

Employee Classifications:

Classified Staff	32
Academic Staff	4
Faculty	3
Student	1

Felonies:

Sexual assault of a child	5
Homicide	2
Robbery	1
Battery	1
Fraud/Forgery	9
D.W.I.	7
Theft	7
Possession of Drugs	6
Endangering Safety	3
Burglary	2
Jumping Bail	2
Child Abuse	2
Other Felonies	7

Information from State of Wisconsin Letter Report on Employment of Felons by UW System

Twenty-five of the crimes were committed before the employees were hired by the UW System and 15 employees committed the crimes while working for the UW System.

Nine of the 15 that were convicted of felonies while employed never had an internal investigation conducted.

The UW System cannot discriminate against someone's prior criminal background unless the crime was related to the person's job.

Not many of the schools were aware that they had felons working for them. Part of the reason is because there is no standard policy on checking backgrounds and every school varies in some way.

"We'll be working with our institutions, and our colleagues in

the Office of State Employment Relations and the Legislature, to put together a sound and consistent policy on the use of background checks across the system," said Reilly.

"We are also reviewing the cases of the 40 employees cited in the audit to determine if any actions are necessary."

The Board of Regents has already proposed a plan that would allow the UW System to immediately take action if any of its employees are accused of felonies or other serious crimes.

Though it seems like there may be a lot of employed felons, the total number of those convicted is only one-tenth of one percent of those employed.

Thirty-five of the employees are on parole or probation, four of them are incarcerated and

one of them is under limited supervision. Names of the felons cannot be released yet until the UW System determines the legalities of the varying situations.

"Forty felons on the UW System payroll, including two murderers and four child sex offenders is not only shocking but I think dangerous," said Rep. Scott Suder. "This signals the need for serious reform."

Before being able to fire its employees, there are several rules that must be taken into consideration. The Board of Regents are the only ones that can dismiss faculty and permanent academic staff. The only way the Board of Regents can do this is if an internal investigation reveals that the termination is justified.

Leaks / okay

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When a leak occurs, a maintenance person is called in to drill four holes directly through the bottom of the beam to drain the water.

There was discussion of drilling holes in all the beams for drainage, but four holes in 1,700 beams means approximately 7,000 holes. That is a lot of holes.

"It is more of an annoyance than an actual problem," said Klebesadel.

So far, 23 of the beams

have had a leak. If a resident of Red Cedar Hall has a leak, they should contact their resident hall director, who will contact the maintenance department to resolve the leaking.

Red Cedar Hall is not the only building with a leak. Last week a urinal flush valve was stuck open, spilling water all over the Comm. Tech Building.

Basically, the leaking on campus is a reality but is not an issue that cannot be resolved.

Caller ID fraud

Caller ID fraud has been becoming even more popular now that several sites on the Web help to teach people how to alter their caller IDs. Titled caller ID spoofing, it is not actually illegal to change the way your number appears on someone else's caller ID. However, almost all of the uses of a machine that will change your caller ID are illegal.

Stress can lead to drugs

A recent survey done by professors at the University of Michigan East Lansing have found that young workers who feel high stress on the job are more likely to start using and abusing drugs. After a one year research program, they found that 5 percent of the people interviewed had become dependent on marijuana within the

year, mostly because they were working in jobs in which they had little control over what they did, but were pushed harder to produce more products. Also, the study found that three times as many workers began using drugs within the year because of their working environments and inability to cope.

Bird flu

The chances of the bird flu hitting the United States soon is a

very likely possibility, according to medical officials. The congress is debating right now how much money they want to put towards vaccinations. Democrats are complaining that the Republicans are not setting aside enough money, and if the flu is to reach the U.S., it could be the biggest epidemic of the century, especially if precautions aren't taken to prevent it.

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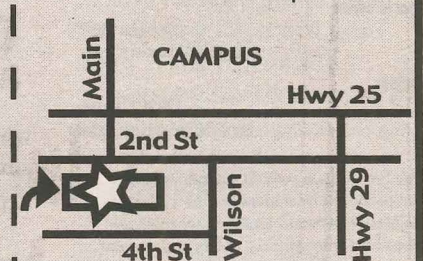
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Needing a lesson in e-mail etiquette



Staff Editorial The Stoutonia Staff

"hey, wanna send me the notes from today cuz i missed class."

We've probably all gotten e-mails like this. Obviously, there are a few things wrong with it.

First of all, how does anyone know what class to send the notes from if it doesn't say in the e-mail?

The second problem is the grammar. This might not be a problem if you are just sending the e-mail to other students, although they may

not be very impressed with it. But what about when you are e-mailing professors?

Especially when you are asking a question that you want them to answer back, it's a good idea to use good grammar and also to use a more formal style than you might normally.

Depending on how well you know a professor, this could change. But if it's a professor you haven't had before you probably want to make a good impression.

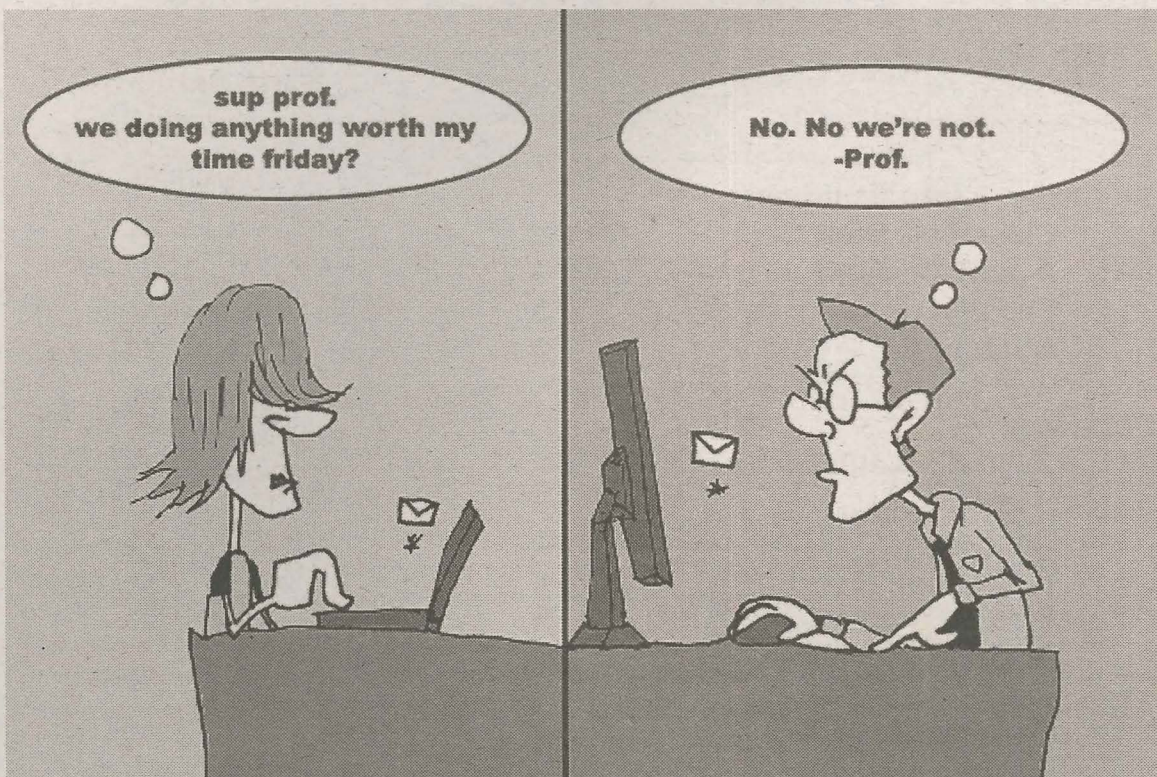
Some students try to copy the style used by their professors. This can especially be helpful in addressing, and also in ending, the e-mail.

Some professors prefer to be called "Dr.," while some prefer "Mr." or "Ms." Still others might not mind if you just use their first names. So looking at how they sign the e-mail they sent to you can help.

It's also not a bad idea to add something nice when e-mailing your professors. Thank them for their time, and let them know that you appreciate the response that they will (hopefully) be sending back to you.

There are a few rules that are good to follow whether you are sending an e-mail to students or to professors.

Put something helpful in



the subject line, such as the class—and possibly the section—you have with the students, or professor that you are sending the e-mail to.

When sending the same thing to a number of people, especially a large number, it might not be a bad idea to use the "Bcc" line. If you use this line, each person only sees that you sent it to them.

This may make it seem more personal and everyone doesn't have to scroll down so much to actually read what the e-mail says.

Using the class list to send e-mails for other purposes is also not a good idea.

poses is also not a good idea.

The list is there to use for class purposes, and students don't want other things filling up their inbox.

But what about professors? There are also some things that are good for them to do when sending e-mails.

Some don't always respond in a reasonable amount of time. Then again, what's considered a reasonable amount of time?

Getting a response a week later is probably a little too late to answer a question. On the other hand, students shouldn't expect professors to be ready and waiting to

answer e-mails at any time of the day either.

While professors have more students to send them e-mails, they should be able to respond when it's still helpful.

Coincidentally, at the University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire, a Campus Civility Team has recently started.

The committee is addressing the issue of civility on campus. They have even thought of educating on e-mail and classroom etiquette or having a Manners 101 class.

This may be a little extreme, and hopefully this won't need to happen.

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Shawn Peter
Columnist

Rather than going somewhere warm for spring break, a road trip can be an awesome experience.

During spring break, most beaches and warm places are packed full, not to mention expensive. For those that enjoy doing that, I hope it's a fun and unforgettable experience, and I'm not saying it's a bad way to spend break.

For myself, I like to get away from it all and see the country. A good way to do that is to take a road trip.

If a dependable vehicle is available and if there is a desire to do a lot of driving, the experience is awesome. I've had some of the best experiences on the road trips I've taken.

Gather some friends, pick a general destination and set aside a lot of time to see the sites along the way, then just drive.

Usually I travel out West because it's remote, inexpensive and very beautiful.

Generally when doing a road trip, I found that having a decent camera or video camera is one of the best assets because of some of the phenomenal scenery shots or general shots of the trip itself.

There are plenty of possible destinations and lots of places to stop along the way. South Dakota, Montana, Wyoming and Colorado are great places to visit.

In South Dakota there are the Black Hills, Mount Rushmore and Custer National Park. A cool thing about Custer National Park is that they have a roaming wild buffalo herd.

There are plenty of other animals out there as well, like prairie dogs. The scenery is fantastic and worth the visit.

Just across the border from the Black Hills is Wyoming. Usually when I travel to Wyoming, I like to stop at the Powder River Basin. Why stop there?

It contains the largest open pit coalmines in the country accessible by paved roads. With a good set of binoculars, the

entire operations can be seen and it is fun to watch.

There is a good spot right on US 16 just north of Gillette, Wyo. Plus, I usually like to watch the trains, which are numerous in the western states.

Wyoming has many fun places to visit with phenomenal scenery. Navigating the high passes can be difficult during this time of the year due to snow.

It's a hit or miss, but when the weather is right, Shell Creek Canyon (which US 14 runs through) is a cool place to see waterfalls, the Fallen City and some awesome rock formations.

Not far down the road is Wind River Canyon, which is also a fun place to visit. The riverbanks share a road with

many tunnels and a railroad on the opposite bank.

There are cool vantage points to watch the crystal clear Big Horn River and admire the canyon. At the end of the canyon is Thermopolis, which boasts some of the largest hot springs in the world, or so they advertise.

Some other cool sites in Wyoming include Devils Pass and the Medicine Bowl, which are in the southern portion of the state.

More important than the destination, a road trip is a great bonding experience with friends. That is probably the most rewarding part of going on a road trip. For those that plan on doing a road trip over spring break, happy trails!

We regret if the cartoon that accompanied last week's staff editorial was misconstrued as making a specific reference to a particular individual. The goal of the cartoon was supposed to be to illustrate the week's editorial, not to target anyone in particular. We apologize for any harm it may have caused.



Letters to the Editor

If you wish to submit a Letter to the Editor, letters can be sent to stoutonia@uwstout.edu. Letters must be no longer than 250 words and must be submitted by 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday in order to run in that week's issue.

Need more information

I am writing in regards to the picture that was published in this week's newspaper on the front page. I appreciate the exposure greatly.

Unfortunately, I was quite disappointed to see that there was no reference to what the event was called, (Spin Jam) or who sponsored it (Drum Club) or who you were taking a picture of.

I would say the description of the event was not very accurate either. What's the point of putting a picture in the paper if it is not conveying some message or information? Isn't that what the paper is for?

I feel there was a lack of professionalism in your reporting of this event. It would only have taken a minute to ask someone what exactly the event was about.

Becky Lightfoot
President of Drum Club
UW-Stout

TBT a great band

The article "If only their lead singer would shut-up" about Trampled by Turtles may be one of the worst music reviews I have ever read.

First of all, the author's suggestion for adding drums is ridiculous. Trampled by Turtles (TBT) is a BLUEGRASS band. The vast majority of bluegrass bands

don't have drums. That's one characteristic that makes bluegrass the beautiful and distinctive music it is.

Regarding the lead singer, I personally enjoy his voice. His voice and style are what make their sound unique. Many well-respected and award winning bluegrass singers are known for their "Southern drawl" style of singing. Singers such as Del McCoury, and the father of bluegrass himself, Mr. Bill Monroe are examples.

In response to the "poetic creativity" of the music, were you even listening to the words? TBT's songs have some of the most beautiful, well-written and poetic lyrics I know. This is one characteristic that made me fall in love with the band the first time I heard them.

TBT's unique, fast-paced bluegrass may not be for everyone (people like you, Mr. Ridgeway), but it can't be "as pleasant as a toothache" with the large fan base they have developed throughout the Midwest, and by touring nationally, including slots at some of the country's largest music festivals.

Even if you are not a fan of bluegrass music, I encourage you and everyone to see TBT perform live. So "go ahead and mark your calendars;" mine has been for weeks.

Christian Hahn

Bring on the ladies



Matt Schubbe
Columnist

I don't know if I've mentioned this before, but I'm single right now.

That's not a pathetic attempt to use this paper for dating purposes (we all know that's what Facebook is for anyway) but merely an observation of my own life.

This may seem very superficial, almost trivial, to waste ink on such an apparently frivolous topic, but fear not. As usual, I'm going somewhere with this.

In my close self-examination, I expounded upon why it might be that I found myself without a date on many a Friday night.

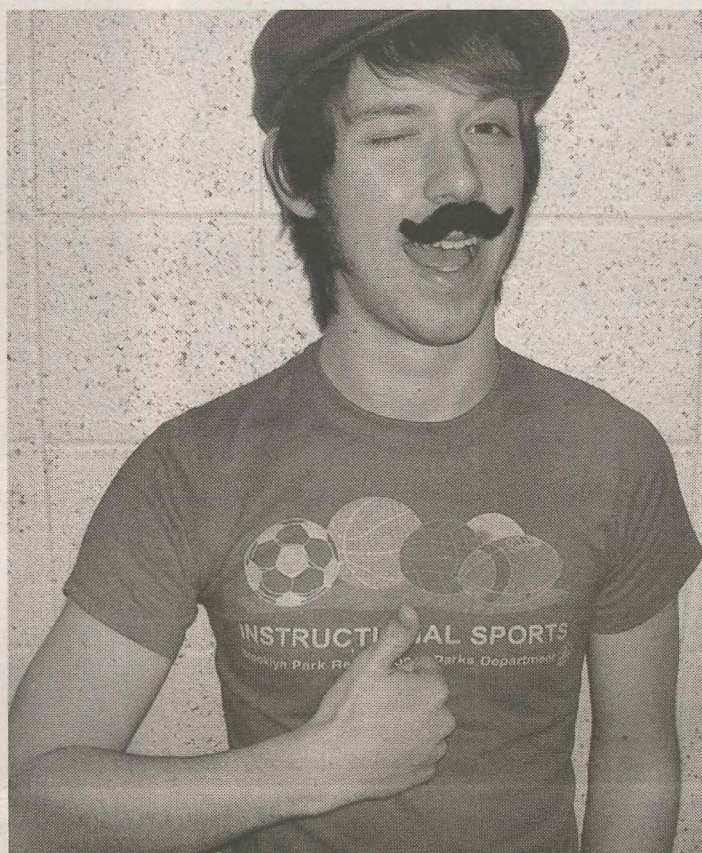
Is it because I don't dress nicely enough? Is it because I've been known to openly shout at the movie screen during bad movie trailers? Is it because I put cottage cheese on my baked beans?

As this last awkward thought trailed off like a dropped roll of toilet paper into the distance, I heard a noise behind me.

The TV in my room was on, and to my surprise I was all of a sudden watching a rerun of an old "Magnum: P.I." episode.

Tom Selleck was suave in that show; let me tell you, that man was as smooth as an android's bottom with the ladies. It occurred to me that ol' Magnum must know something that I didn't.

Magnum smiled and his gigantic, flowing moustache expanded to an awe-inspiring width.



In a flash, my mind recalled something I'd seen on an "Animal Planet" special about plumage, and attracting mates: "The male peacock uses his glorious plumage of tail feathers to entice females into mating. The sole purpose of these adornments are for attracting mem-

bers of the opposite sex." Then it all clicked in my head.

Selleck's moustache was just another iteration of the colorful plumage of a bird, or the mane of a lion.

No wonder he was so seemingly desirable. I began to see a correlation between not only his, but other highly attractive people's moustaches as well.

President Teddy Roosevelt parlayed a great moustache into presidency, (at least that's how I interpret the history of it) and now his head has been blasted

into a mountain as a monument.

That's actually the reason his head is further back on Mt. Rushmore than the non-moustached presidents. They didn't want Teddy stealing all the focus with his great push broom.

And actors other than Tom Selleck have used their moustaches to gain greater fame; from Charlie Chaplin to Rosie O'Donnell, the moustache doesn't lie.

Not only are you more attractive to others, but you're also by default much more likeable.

So it's settled. If I'm to make it in this world, I had better grow the best darn moustache this country has ever seen.

Plus I'll save some money on shaving cream in the process, and I'll need those extra cents for moustache grooming supplies, anyway.

America needs to focus on a wider scope of problems

Our nation should be more concerned with priorities other than environmental and security issues



Michael Graney
Columnist

As I sat down to read the news on Sunday, all sorts of different important and vital issues become apparent.

Among these issues were the cutting of funds for maintenance of the national parks, the cost of oil, healthcare costs continuing to rise, the continuing violence in the Middle East and more.

Suddenly, I began to wonder where our priorities are as a nation.

From what I can gather, our first priority is to become a more secure nation.

What that has entailed seems to be controversial laws

like the Patriot Act, port security and maintenance, the "War on Terror" and intelligence gathering.

It seems like a noble and righteous goal; however, have the consequences to civil liberties or maintaining proper funding sources been debated thoroughly? I'm not so sure.

The next set of priorities our nation seems to have is the increasingly combined areas of energy and environmental issues, from our current addict-like dependence on foreign oil to our national parks to pollution to a viable alternative for our energy needs.

These issues are all pressing us into some sort of action. To a certain extent, the energy debate impacts our national security debate, but it is largely a separate issue.

This is an issue the president addressed in the State of the Union.

However, funding once

again becomes an issue, as does the implementation. Americans are willing to sacrifice to reach a solution to these issues. Again, a good public debate is needed.

There are other priorities that require our attention.

These include: maintenance of Social Security, the current state of our health care system, consumer rights in the age of digital media, the rising inequality of wealth distribution, the ever increasing national debt (at almost eight trillion dollars) and our place in the international community.

All of these issues require a serious debate and a serious solution.

What becomes most apparent is the need of a decision about what should take priority. Lately, the government seems to be spending money in a most fiscally irresponsible way.

This is an odd develop-

ment, considering the Republicans, led by Newt Gingrich back in 1994, proposed a balanced budget amendment.

The measure didn't pass after good and serious debate realizing that, at times, the government needs to borrow money for the betterment of society (i.e. the New Deal).

This nation doesn't have infinite resources to draw upon to finance wild endeavors.

The same goes for me; I can open as many credit cards as I want to try and make my meager income stretch to infinity, but I can't maintain that balance forever.

One day I will have to pay back the companies, and one day the government will have to pay back the debt.

What happens if the government can't? I shudder to think of that possibility.

The government can't declare bankruptcy, rather it will become insolvent and truly

hard measures will be taken to have it regain power, or a bloody revolution will overthrow it and replace it.

History has shown us what happens when governments go into too much debt: wars erupt and they always are bloody (i.e. WWII, the French Revolution, the Russian Revolution).

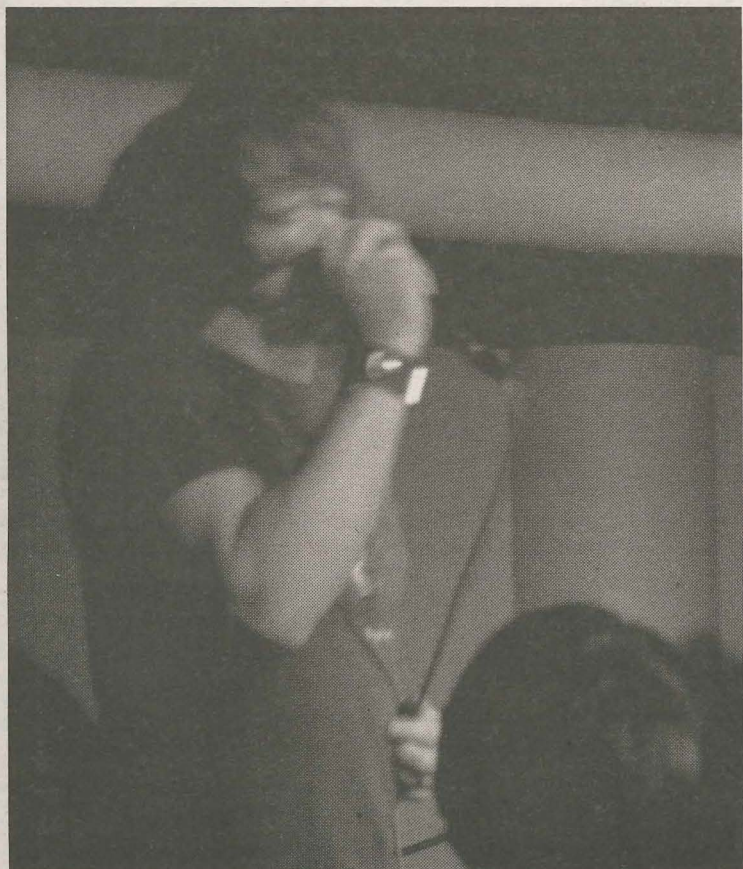
How can we avoid either situation? By setting priorities, allocating funding based on the priorities, and then pursuing our goals with a scientific, achievable set of objectives.

As a member of the media, it is my responsibility to try to keep people informed.

It is also my responsibility and that of my editors to try to keep focus on the more important issues (i.e. the continuing war on terrorism versus a hunting accident involving the vice president).

Only with an informed and vocal electorate will our democracy work.

Triple-threat energetic, if uneven



Zack Kolden/Stoutonia

The first opening act, The Shades, had quite the energetic performance, as did headliner, Small Towns Burn a Little Slower. Inserted awkwardly in between, Maiden Korea didn't fare so well; in fact, quite frankly, they put the audience to sleep. Still, in terms of audience turnout and approval, the concert was overall quite successful.



Justin Emry
Entertainment Writer

Last Thursday, Feb. 23, Blue Devil Productions hosted a triple-threat show at the Memorial Student Center: Small Towns Burn a Little Slower, Maiden Korea and The Shades.

Each band's music varied greatly from the other, despite

the fact that all three acts belonged to the general-alternative vein.

The success of the opening act, The Shades, was a pleasant surprise.

Clad in sweaters and collared shirts, the boys of The Shades appeared more like a novelty act of high school freshmen than a band the UW-Stout audience would normally appreciate.

Misgivings aside, The Shades' heavy synthesizer and power chord combo draw comparisons to such notable artists as Grandaddy and Ozma.

It was a high-energy performance that should have been immediately followed by the headlining act.

Unfortunately, the evening's second act, Maiden Korea, was the weakest of the night.

Maiden Korea's lyrics failed to live up to the cleverness of their name.

The energy that The Shades had worked so hard to build quickly dissipated as Maiden Korea, quite honestly, put the audience to sleep.

Maiden Korea's sweeping Emo-styling was a fusion of the hard-edged sound of At-The-

Drive-In and the arena rock of the early '90s.

This shift in tone caught the audience off-guard when Small Towns Burn a Little Slower finally took the stage. Their performance was infinitely more forceful than anything I had come to expect from a BDP act.

The lively 5-piece band from St. Paul started things off with a bang, awakening the crowd within seconds.

As audience members rose to their feet, Small Towns kept up with the usual punk stage show body language.

The genre label most of-

ten attached to Small Towns is called, "Screamo," or sometimes, "Power Punk." Whichever label you prefer, they seemed to be a great success for BDP.

"They're an all around awesome band," said Kayla Borchardt, a junior retailing and consumer sciences major and member of BDP. "They have a lot of energy and they're nice guys who put on a good show. Just look at the huge turnout here."

In terms of audience turnout and approval, Small Towns Burn a Little Slower was indeed quite successful.

A message of tolerance and a tale of love



Mike Ryan
Entertainment Writer

Editor's Note: Due to space constraints, the following article was not able to be printed last week. "Platanos and Collard Greens" performed at UW-Stout in the Great Hall on Feb. 16.

All too often we college students forget the significant role that we could play in correcting the injustices that have historically plagued minorities in the U.S.

Sometimes while eating in the cafeteria or while walking to class, I overhear conversations that exhibit the ignorance and hatred that has arisen from our apathy to the plights of people who are not "like" us, whether that be in race, religion or personal beliefs.

Thanks to the cast of "Plata-



Source: www.rowan.edu

The Brooklyn cast of "Platanos and Collard Greens," a socially aware romantic comedy, included UW-Stout in its college tour of the Midwest. Free verse poetry and intellectually stimulating dialogue were hallmarks of the performance.

nos and Collard Greens," a romantic comedy intended to raise social awareness, at least some UW-Stout students were given exposure to issues relevant to the battle for human rights in the "land of the free."

The play focused on the relations between African Americans and Latinos.

Not limiting itself to themes of mere romance, the play's story concerned the relationship of two lovers, Freeman and Angelita. Both students of Hunter College, Freeman and Angelita deal with outside pressure and underlying prejudices.

Free verse poetry and intellectually stimulating dialogue

between the characters was a hallmark of the performance, a nice compliment to the overall message of tolerance.

The Brooklyn cast has been on the road for quite some time, returning to New York frequently, but hitting colleges all across the United States as they spread their powerful message.

"I love doing what I do," said the lead male actor and spokesman for the troupe. "I feel like we are really getting through to our audiences in a positive way."

The cast will be touring the Midwest for some time before returning to New York and performing there.

Rise of the PlayStation



Collage: Marta Peters

The late '90s saw the advent of the Nintendo's 64 and GameCube consoles, Sony's PlayStation consoles and Microsoft's Xbox console. Somewhere along the way, Sega lost the will or the capability to compete.

By Ami Kriho
Entertainment Writer

When entering the video game market with its PlayStation, Sony faced several obstacles from its checkered past.

Not only had Nintendo disgraced them at the Consumer Electronics Show of 1994, but Sony also had a poor history in the field of entertainment software.

In addition, there were internal conflicts between Ken Kutaragi—the engineer who created the PlayStation—and Steve Race, president of Sony Computer Entertainment of America (SCEA) about how the PlayStation should be priced and marketed.

Steve Race left SCEA shortly before the PlayStation was released in 1995. The PlayStation's retail price was \$299.

That same year, Nintendo unleashed their 64-bit cartridge-based system at a trade show in Japan. Its central game, "Super Mario 64," was built around a fascination for amusement park rides.

Along with its unique controller, the Nintendo 64 (N64) experienced phenomenal launch triumphs in both Japan and the United States in 1996.

Meanwhile, Sega was slowly slipping away from the console market. Its 32-bit system, the Saturn, had a small library and an expensive launch price of \$399.

Due to the higher prices of their games relative to those of the PlayStation, the Saturn was quickly overcome.

By the time Sega pulled the plug on the Saturn, it had only sold two million units in the United States.

Far from giving up, Sega already had another console up its sleeve, the Dreamcast. Unfortunately, this too would eventually fail in competition with Sony. Sega would never again regain its contender status.

Meanwhile, Nintendo and Sony were the head-butting rams of the video game market.

There were debates about the virtues of cartridges over discs (and vice versa), price drop was followed by price drop and trash-talk about whose games were selling more.

During this era, Nintendo lost Squaresoft, one of their most valuable third-party partners and the developer of the famed "Final Fantasy" series.

By mid-1996, more than 5 million PlayStations had been shipped worldwide. While initially viewed as wasteful and risky, the PlayStation had quickly turned into their biggest product of the '90s, accounting for 40 percent of Sony Electronics' revenues.

When the PlayStation 2 was released in 2000, it was one of the most anticipated system launches in history.

Its launch also focused more on selling the hardware

rather than the software, an unusual twist in the market. Nonetheless, the PlayStation 2 was an instant hit in both Japan and the United States.

During this time, Nintendo was reclusively planning their next system, giving the media very little upon which to speculate until the GameCube, previously codenamed Dolphin, was unveiled at their annual trade show in 2000.

That same year, Microsoft chairman Bill Gates announced his company's intention to jump on the console bandwagon.

On Nov. 15, 2001, a Toys R' Us in New York was decked out in black and green to commemorate the console's launch, which had been backed up by a \$500 million marketing campaign.

Three days later, Nintendo launched the GameCube in the United States.

This concludes the video game history miniseries. Of course, had there been space, there are other subjects in history worth greater detail, such as handhelds and lawsuits, but if you're interested in more information there are other great resources.

A few worth checking out are "Phoenix: The Fall and Rise of Videogames" by Leonard Herman; "The Ultimate History of Video Games" by Steven Kent; "Game Over" by David Sheff; "Smartbomb" by Heather Chaplin and Aaron Ruby and "Opening the Xbox" by Dean Takahashi.

The midseason axe falls



Source: www.genosteaks.com

While FOX's "Arrested Development" will be missed, at least the scales are balanced by the multitude of crappy shows leaving the air.



Matt Schubbe
Entertainment Writer

As many people know, FOX's critically acclaimed "Arrested Development" was cancelled back in November. This was a very good show, full of comedic merit, and it caused me great sadness to see it shuffle away into TV history.

However, in spite of that great injustice, last month the TV gods restored the natural balance by canceling several truly terrible shows.

Because this pleases me no end—and because I haven't gotten to complain in a little while in this column—I'll dish out the details on three of my favorite cancellations.

"The Tony Danza Show"

If you missed this little gem, which I'm praying most of you have, then you needn't worry. By not watching, you've helped derail one of the worst excuses for a talk show since the ill-fated "Chevy Chase Show." Even pulling quirky stunts didn't work to save this show. For instance, when the studio lights went down earlier this month, instead of canceling the taping, the producers had Danza do the show by candle-

light and with no studio audience. Not quite clever, but good effort. Good riddance.

"Love Monkey"

Looking for his place in the world of TV after the end of "Ed," Tom Cavanaugh played a record company executive looking for love. He plays basically the same character as in "Ed," just in a different context. Even Luke Perry's own side-burned brand of acting couldn't stop the hammer from dropping quickly on this show.

"Get This Party Started"

The title alone should send a few shudders down viewers' collective spines, and the premise is even worse. It's a reality show featuring Kristin Cavallari (of "Laguna Beach" infamy) and former "Extra!" correspondent Ethan Erickson throwing parties for people that cannot throw parties for themselves. Do we care that these people are having dream-like extravagant parties thrown for them? Do we want pseudo-celebrities like Cavallari getting more airtime? Fortunately, the answer turned out to be "no" as evidenced by the show's abrupt cancellation this month.

Well, there you have it. For every good show that gets the chopping block, a number of awful shows get axed as well, and the circle of life continues. I can't wait for some equally bad mid-season replacements to fill in the gaps so I can berate those too.

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>Alfresco Outing Club,
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7:30 p.m., Free.

Have anything to add to
the Campus Calendar?
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"Night Watch" worth the trip to the Twin Cities



Jarrod Burns and
William Butchee

Entertainment Writers

"Night Watch" (translated from "Nochnoy Dozor") is a Russian film dealing with the eternal battle of Light and Dark. The film begins in ancient times, when the leaders of the Light and Dark decided that since their evenly matched battle will never end, a truce needs to be called and rules set in place. In brief, these rules let the Dark drink the blood of humans and use witchcraft with Light-issued permits. During the day, the "Day Watch" monitors the activities of the Light, while at night their human counterparts, the "Night Watch," enforce the laws.

JB: "Nochnoy Dozor" has already been a huge success overseas and I'm glad I was able to view a Russian DVD of the film before its distribution rights were purchased by FOX, which has since halted sale of the DVD in America.

Meanwhile, FOX has delayed



What's it Worth?

JB: Worth the ticket price at the Uptown.

WB: Buying the DVD off eBay, if you can.

Have you ever been in this situation? You're innocently running down a tunnel with your jar of raspberry jam, and suddenly some jerk in a car just grabs the jar right out of your hands. How rude is that?

the release of the 2004 film from last fall until recently.

WB: With the vampire genre being cluttered, "Night Watch" clears through the repetition with its unique style. Sadly, the story isn't the strongest point of the movie. Like many action and science fiction movies, visual effects hold the most weight.

JB: Some of the problems may be because the DVD we viewed was of Russian origin, so the subtitles in the U.S. release may be better than the ones in the version we're reviewing.

WB: The effects in this film blend so seamlessly into the live action that the whole story seems like an awesome dream you might have had when you were little. Small things like flies buzzing in the background add to the dark setting's atmosphere.

JB: Unlike most American science fiction, the characters seem less like stock characters. Of course this could be that when watching a film from another country you experience different cultural archetypes.

WB: With its own unique style, "Night Watch" manages to overcome its amateur budget and weak storyline. March 3 will be the first time "Night Watch" will be available outside of New York and California, the nearest theater showing will be at the Uptown Theater of Minneapolis.



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By Katie Triphan
Campus Writer

For four years I have driven through Menomonie on Broadway past North Campus, making trips to Wal-Mart and only glancing at the old building known as Wilson Place Museum next door to the Student Health Center.

Recently I had the opportunity to tour the museum, and barely fifteen minutes into the tour I was so buried in the world that existed in the old house that when I looked out the windows on the second floor landing to view the lake and the highway with all the cars racing by, I had almost forgotten they existed. I traveled back and forth on the highway so often, and suddenly, it was the highway that seemed intrusive.

In 1859, the land on which the house now stands was purchased from the Knapp, Stout & Co. by Captain William Wilson, and a house was built upon it. Captain Wilson was married twice and had 11 children, nine of whom were by his second wife. In 1893, upon Captain Wilson's death, the Wil-

son Place house went to his tenth child, daughter Angeline, who married James Huff Stout. Roughly 10 years after Senator Stout passed away, Captain Wilson's grandson, George LaPointe (son of Captain Wilson's fifth child Jane Wilson), took responsibility of the estate along with his wife, Irene Walker.

It's interesting to note that in 1922, The Stout Home (Wilson Place Museum) was offered to the Stout Institute by Angeline Stout (widow of Senator Stout), including 20 acres that came with the house. The Board of Trustees was reluctant to accept the gift, taking into consideration the continual upkeep that would need to be performed on the house.

The opposition was overcome, however, due in part to a financial donation from Mrs. Stout for immediate repairs on the home, and The Stout Home became property of the Stout Institute.

Sadly, not two years after the home was turned over to the Institute, did it revert back into the hands of Angeline Stout. She did not believe the building and the



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The inside of the Wilson Place Museum clearly demonstrates the great wealth of the previous dwellers. The imported bathroom facilities were so advanced for their time, they did not even need to be updated.

grounds were being properly cared for; the house had been broken into and had also become a favorite "party house" for students.

The state legislature did little to rectify the situation, and the home of the university's founder did not remain a part of the in-

stitution he began. This was a great loss, especially in terms of the 20, now invaluable, acres that were included with the house.

In all, three different generations of families dwelled in Wilson Place: the Wilsons, the Stouts and the LaPointes. Each family

adapted the house to their own liking during their lives, making significant changes to the home over the years.

The changes are too many to detail here, but an important

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New work at student gallery



Lindsey Adams/Stoutonia

The student gallery in Applied Arts 209 opened on Monday, Feb. 27, featuring work from 11 students including Laura Cuccia-Nilsen, Jon Colbert and Heather Anderson. The opening reception was held Wednesday Mar. 1. The exhibit will be open until Mar. 3.

Get help with writing

By Heidi Sleep
Campus Writer

The Writing Center, located in room 413 of Harvey Hall, is open to all students at all levels of writing. Assistant professors of English Dr. Andrea Muldoon and Dr. Kristin Risley began discussing ideas for the campus Writing Center last year. The center first opened its doors in September 2005, after receiving support from a variety of campus officials and departments.

The Writing Center is not a professional editing service, but rather a tutoring center. What this means is that students are able to meet with a tutor and work collaboratively to enhance their writing skills. The tutoring sessions are free and confidential, and the center works with students at undergraduate and graduate levels.

"The goal of the center is to help students enhance their skills and confidence as writers," said Muldoon.

"I think it's important that students and people at UW-Stout know that we are not just a remedial center; we also get some very good writers," said Risley.

The center focuses on all stages of the writing process. Tutors help students in a variety of areas, such as brainstorming, research skills, editing and APA and MLA documentation.

"Tutors can also work with students on non-course-related writing projects, such as resumes, cover letters and scholarship essays," said Muldoon.

The tutors also work with English as a Second Language (ESL) students.

The primary highlight of the center is that it allows students to work with their peers in order to enhance their abilities as writers. If a student was just assigned a huge research project and they don't know where to begin, they can meet with a tutor and work collaboratively to plan and organize their research. Tutors can also provide feedback, so if a student has completed a paper and would like a second opinion, the student can meet with a tutor.

The Writing Center currently contains a variety of reference materials and is in the process of developing handouts that students will be able to take with them and use for future reference.

"I think [the Writing Center] gives [students] an opportunity to develop and fine tune their skills as a writer," said Jordan Wegworth, a junior in technical communications and a tutor at the Writing Center.

"These are skills that, regardless of major, people are going to need after graduation," said Wegworth.

All of the tutors at the Writing Center participated in a two day orientation/training course that focused on various aspects

of tutoring and writing theory. Some of the tutors will be graduating this spring, so Muldoon and Risley will be looking for new tutors later this spring.

Risley and Muldoon are hoping to expand the Writing Center in a variety of ways.

"The Writing Center is part of a much larger mission and we're looking at improving writing and writers," said Risley.

"Eventually we would like to be doing workshops and seminars."

Risley and Muldoon are also looking into the possibility of offering tutoring in satellite areas and online.

Students can make appointments by visiting the center, but are encouraged to call ahead at 232-5284. Students can select either a 30 or 60 minute appointment depending on the assignment or help desired.

"To date, the Center has been successful," said Muldoon. "We've conducted hundreds of tutorials with students from a variety of majors/disciplines and have had several return clients."

Students are encouraged to check out the Writing Center and to use this resource to help them with all areas of their writing.

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"A Hot Wheels car."
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If you could swallow anything in your sleep besides a spider, what would it be?



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"A chocolate cake!"
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Activists speak on white privilege

By Renee Currington
Campus Editor

When bad things happen to us, we have a tendency to think life is rough and unfair. Seldom do we ever stop to think about how we got to be where we are in the first place and where we could be if things didn't happen a certain way for our parents, our grandparents and their parents.

This week, two writers came to the University of Wisconsin-Stout to speak on issues of white privilege and racism in our society. Both are civil rights activists who have spent considerable time working to curb institutional racial injustice.

Tim Wise and Molly Secours spoke at a series of events from Sunday, Feb. 26, through Tuesday, Feb. 28.

Molly Secours has been active against racism for the past 8 to 10 years and has worked to spread her message as a journalist, documentary filmmaker and lecturer. At UW-Stout, she spoke of a need for more education in schools and communities on the realities of white privilege in this country.

"There has never been a national dialogue on race," said Secours. "We went from slavery to emancipation to Jim Crow laws to civil rights."

Secours spoke of how white Americans are brought up to be silent about black history in America, partly because it is such an overwhelming issue and partly because whites are afraid of being considered racists if they bring up the topic. Because of this silence, she says, the nation has never gone through a healing process.

Secours calls for colleges to make African American studies a requirement.

"In most places, you have to choose to take African American history," said Secours. "Everyone should have to take it."

Secours currently works with minority juveniles, who have come through the legal system, to help them document institutional injustice on film.

Tim Wise, author of *White Like Me: Reflections on Race from a Privileged Son*, and *Affirmative Action: Racial Preference in Black and White*, is a prominent leader of the contemporary civil rights movement.

"The only reason I'm here today [...] is because I'm white,"

"Latino and black college grads have a higher unemployment rate than white high school dropouts,"

~Tim Wise

said Wise.

On Monday night, Wise began by explaining how he had access to a college education, even though he did not come from a rich family.

"I was born into an opportunity structure," said Wise.

Wise said that white families have always been privileged, such as having greater job opportunities than their minority counterparts.

"Latino and black college grads have a higher unemployment rate than white high school dropouts," said Wise.

Because of this privilege, Wise explained, white families have been able to accumulate and pass down their wealth.

According to Secours and

Wise, the common belief among Americans that everyone can "pull themselves up by their bootstraps."

They said it is this belief perpetuates the stereotype that minorities don't work as hard because they tend to fail more than whites; yet, they tend to fail because whites are privileged.

"When we impose these ideas on [minorities], we impose more inequalities," said Secours.

Many whites would say that problems of inequality that have been passed down are not their fault because they were not the ones who caused it.

Wise addressed this argument with a classic story about a college roommate who left a pot of gumbo soup in the kitchen for days. No one else would take responsibility for it, because they didn't make the mess.

"When we get tired of living in the residue of what someone else [has done], we get acclimated to the smell and no one will clean it up," said Wise, likening the old, rank food in his roommate's pot on the stove to the institutional racism set in place long ago.

Secours described racism as a tool to defend white supremacy, and she said white privilege also acts as a reward system to hold that supremacy in place.

"Just wanting racism to end isn't enough to stop it," said Secours. "If I see [racism] and don't point it out or say anything about it, I am contributing to it."

"We don't just have to [help minorities] fit in," said Wise. "We have to learn ... how we fit into [the minorities'] world."

Relay for Life benefits those with cancer

By Rachel Landwehr
Campus Writer

Ever think to yourself, "Is there something more I can do to help?" Well, actually there is, and it's as easy as a walk around the track—the Johnson Fieldhouse track, that is.

On April 21-22, the American Cancer Society and the University of Wisconsin-Stout will be hosting the annual Relay for Life that takes place every spring.

Teams are asked to walk or run around the track to show support for those in the cancer community. Each team must have at

least one member on the track at all times.

The event is held to raise money and awareness for the cancer community. Students, staff and the general public are all welcome and encouraged to sign up.

Teams must sign up by March 9. Signup is available online through a team captain at www.acsevents.org/uwstout.

This is the first year this option is available, making it more convenient to access for those with busy schedules.

Once logged into the Web site, people can sign up under their captain and choose to

pledge money along with paying the registration fees all teams must submit.

The teams are asked to pledge \$10 per person, which is about \$150 per team. Teams may consist of 8 to 15 individuals, and the teams are asked to set a goal of at least \$100 each. The registration fee does not count towards the team total of money raised; however, the \$100 registration fee does include T-shirts once the team is registered.

Rebecca Williams, a sophomore in graphic design at UW-Stout, is the Relay online chair. She got involved with Relay

for Life last year, and when her grandfather was diagnosed with cancer in March, she decided to become more involved.

"It has been an amazing experience, having the people you love the most around you in such stirring time, helping each other get through it together," said Williams.

There are currently approximately 40 teams/organizations signed up with \$4,912 raised. This is 35 teams shy of their goal of 75 and almost \$3,000 from their goal of \$7,500.

Organizations, staff and the general public are encouraged to take a stand against cancer and

show their support.

The event starts at 6 p.m. in the Johnson Fieldhouse with team registration and campsite set-up. Following registration will be an opening award ceremony at 7 p.m. and events happening all night long, such as team races, hypnotists and more. The night will end with a closing ceremony at 6:45 a.m. the next morning.

For a complete guide to all events happening through out the evening, visit their Web site.

You don't have to know someone with cancer to participate, you just have to care.



Courtesy: Rebecca Williams/Colleges Against Cancer

Museum / *was home to three generations*

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change to be aware of was between when the Stouts and the LaPointes owned the home. Viewing pictures from the Stout era, you can see how much bigger the house was as opposed to now.

Much of the house that was added on during the Stout era was stripped down by the

LaPointes to make the home comfortable for two people. Rumor has it that wood taken from the home was used to build some of the still standing houses behind Wilson Place.

Practically everything in the home, except the wallpaper and the organ on the first floor, is authentic to the home. More than 90 percent of the contents are

articles that belonged to either the Wilsons, the Stouts or the LaPointes, and every item has a unique and interesting story.

I had the privilege of standing in front of the mirror that Senator Stout stood in front of every morning to check his appearance before going about his day's business.

I viewed gorgeous gowns

belonging to Irene LaPointe. One of them is made of silk and real silver and is so delicate it cannot be moved without causing damage to the silk. I saw a parasol belonging to Angeline Stout that was brought back from her year-long honeymoon in the Orient with Senator Stout.

Did you know that the Wilson Place House had indoor plumbing—a full seven years before the White House had full indoor plumbing?

Walking into the personal bathroom of Angeline Stout, in operation more than 100 years ago, I could hardly tell it apart from a modern bathroom of today.

It includes a bathtub, sink, toilet and separate shower (which incidentally was never used by the Wilsons when they built the home and was installed only because showers were popular in Europe at the time). The facilities were so ahead of their time that when the LaPointes moved into the house the bathroom was never remodeled.

Also very impressive was the grounds architect of the 20 acres that surrounded the mansion (now covered by the highway, the Student Health Center, and dorm buildings), who happened to be the same man who created Central Park in New York

The entire collection of

artifacts in the home—including the modern gadgets in the kitchen, the imported marble fireplaces, the custom made furniture and the buzzer that would ring the hired help and tell them which room they were being called to—all demonstrate very overtly the extreme wealth of the Wilsons, the Stouts and the LaPointes.

It is truly amazing and hard to believe, even when standing within the house, that such a place exists here in Menomonie and is available to the public.

As you can imagine, the museum is very expensive to maintain, and because it is now a non-profit organization run entirely by volunteers, viewing times are limited. The museum is open on Memorial Day and Labor Day weekends both Friday and Saturday from 1 to 5 p.m.

There are opportunities for students who are interested in volunteering at Wilson Place to be tour guides, work in the gift shop or assist with gardening and maintenance of the grounds. Interested students should stop by Wilson Place (the Gift Shop entrance in the back of the house) and ask for Dave Micek or Lori Ann.



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The Stouts added parts to the house, making it much bigger. When ownership was transferred to the LaPointes, they tore down the additions to make the house more comfortable for two people.



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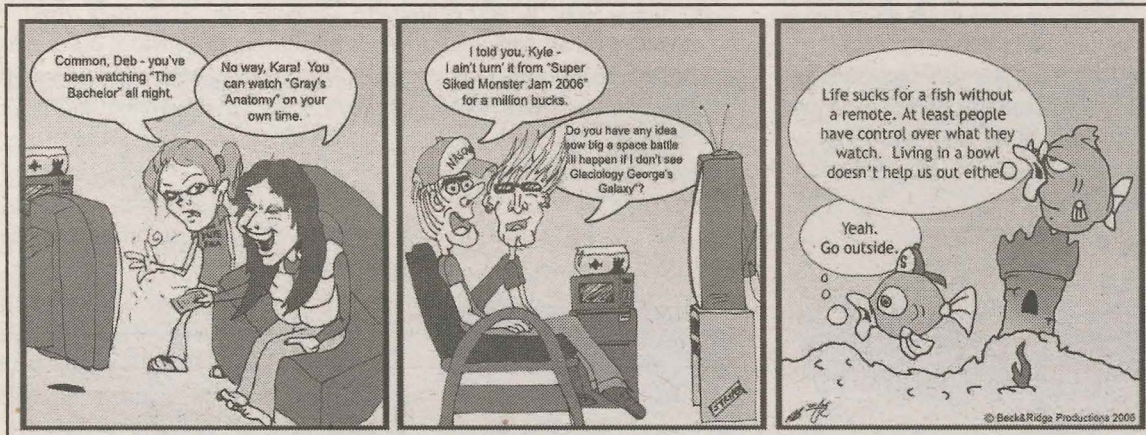
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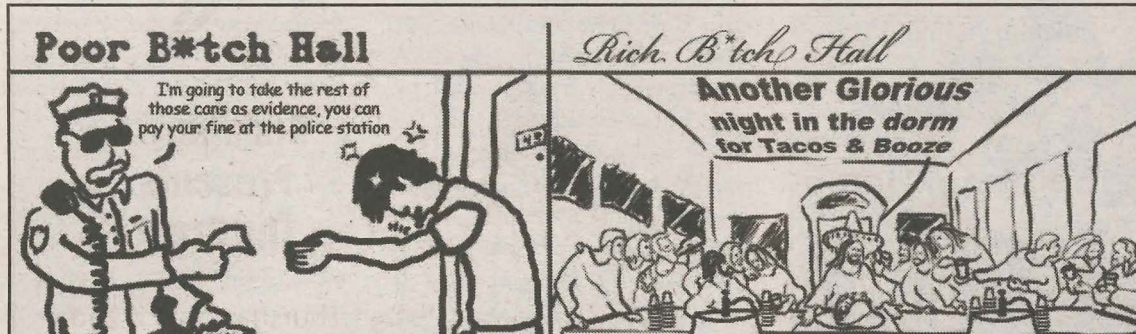


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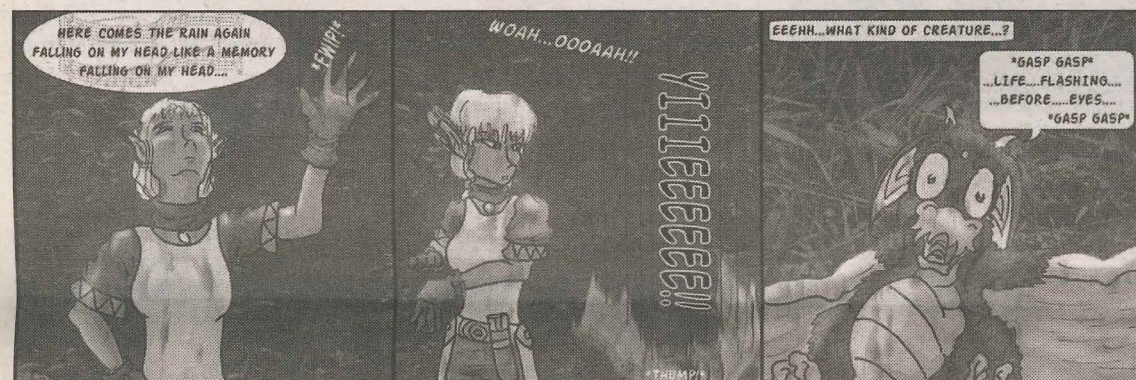
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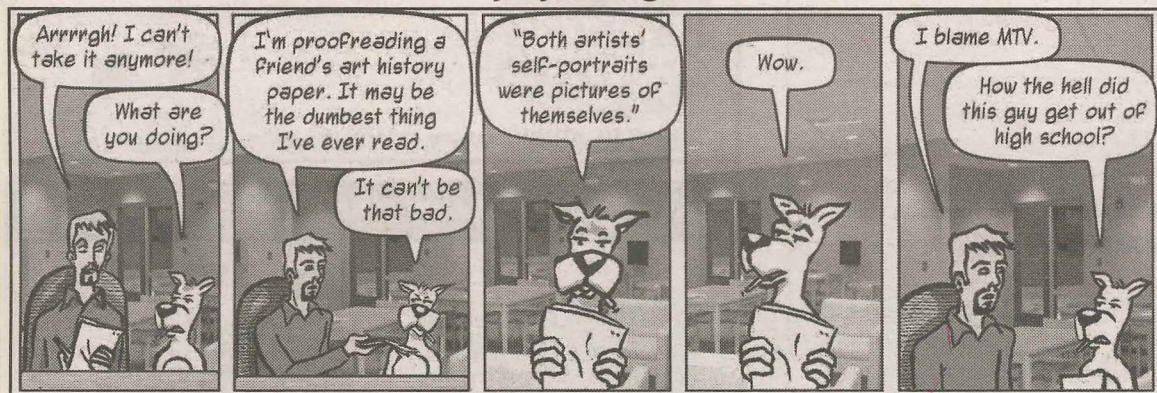
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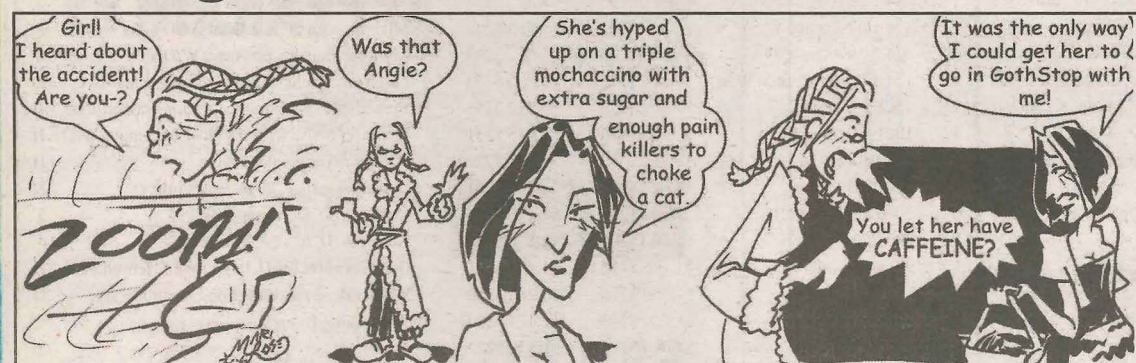
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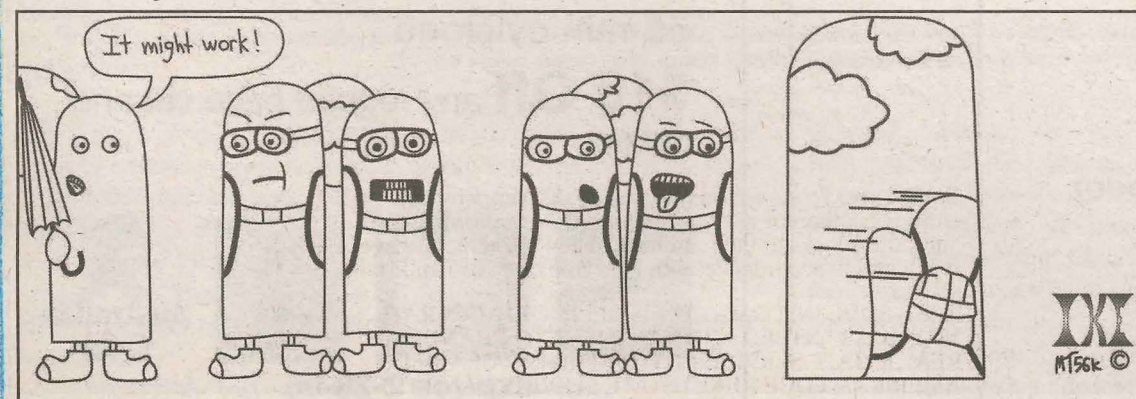
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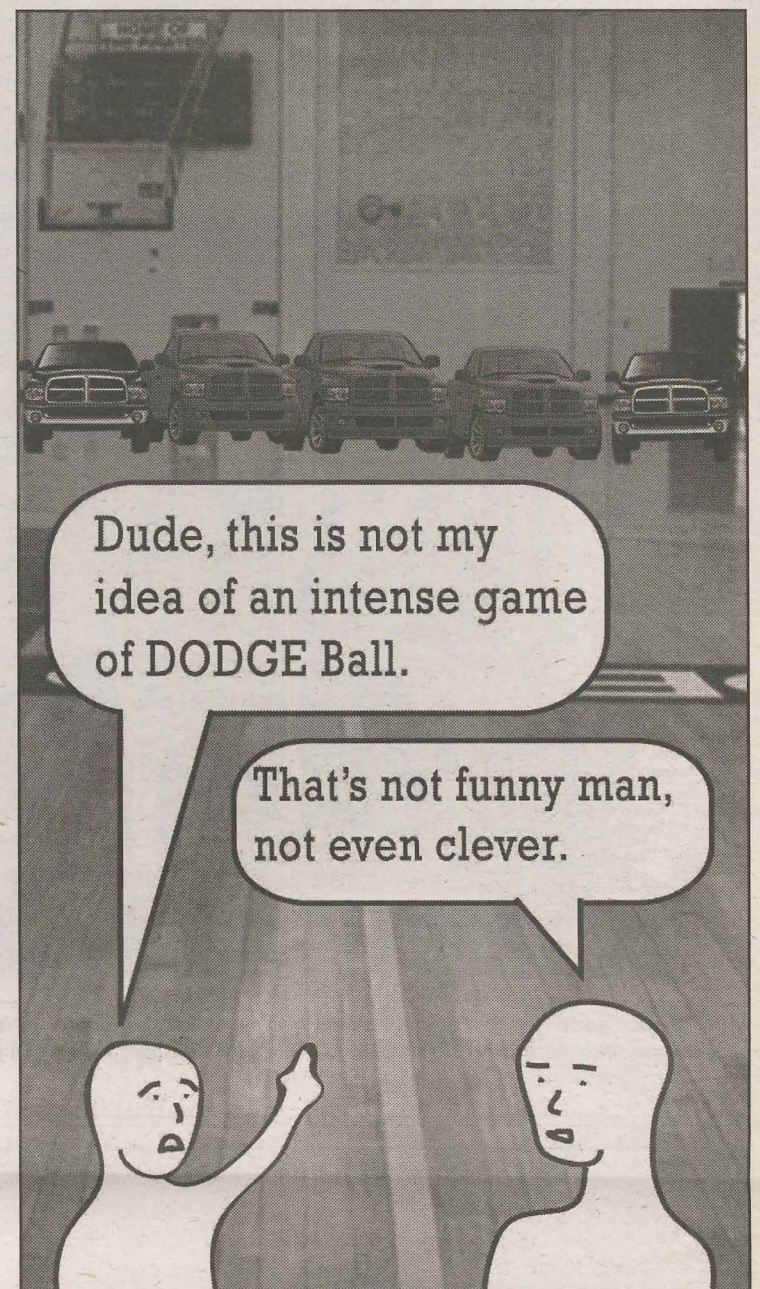


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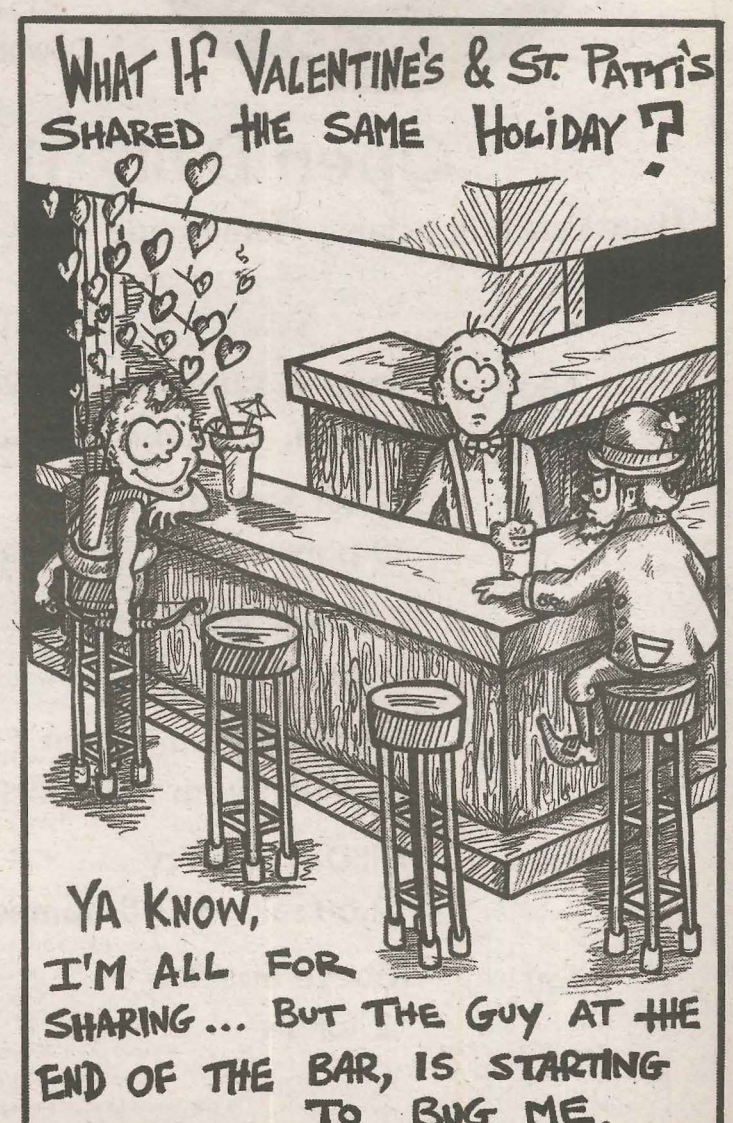
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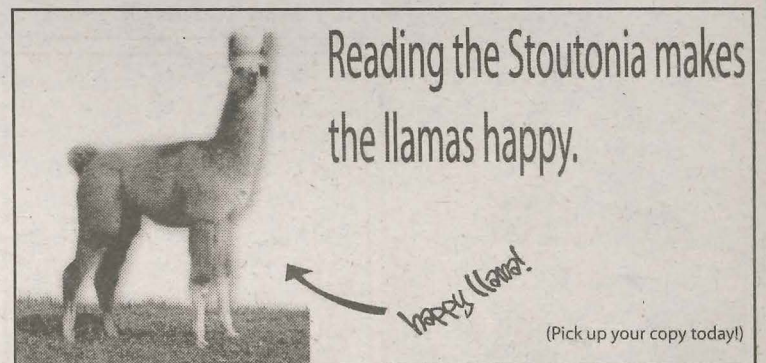
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Get in shape for spring break



Jessica Boe
Sports Editor

The time of year has come when people begin to panic. They begin to worry about (as Kanye West would say) "getting right for summer" and hope to retire their winter white skin to a "healthy tan." The time has come for spring break.

Every year, students look forward to traveling to far away places that will help them forget that they actually live in Wisconsin, a lovely state with four

seasons. They will lay on sandy beaches with the sun beaming on their faces, and they might even forget that they have work that teachers really expect to see on March 20.

There is a lot of preparation that goes into spring break; figuring out travel buddies, a destination and finding a flight can all prove to be stressful. There's always the money factor too. However, the most stressful factor to some remains the question, "How will I look in my swim suit on March 10?"

The University of Wisconsin-Stout is home to the Johnson Fieldhouse, which, around this time, is like a colony of bees. People buzz in and out all day trying to cram in some physical activity into their busy bee lives.

There is a substantial increase in the number of students who frequent the gym, particularly in the last two weeks prior to spring break.

The Health and Fitness Center (HFC), located in the basement of the Fieldhouse, is hosting a "Spring Break Challenge." The challenge is open to all members of the facility and is an incentive to work toward fitness goals while keeping track of progress. Currently, there are 111 participants. If you meet your goal, a prize awaits you at the desk after spring break.

While many students hope that their last ditch fitness efforts will pay off, the truth is that physical fitness is a process that takes more time than two weeks. "Make it a routine, don't cram it

in," says personal trainer Patrick McLaughlin. "Don't just come in two weeks ahead, you need to ease into cardio. Intense cardio [that your body hasn't adjusted to] can make your body try to conserve, which could mean gaining weight."

The busiest hours for the HFC are from 3:00-8:00 p.m. Mon.-Wed.

"As the week goes on it slows down, people must just get lazy towards the end of the week," said McLaughlin.

There are other activities in the field house that can help students stay fit and out of the chaotic weight room. Students can play racquetball, run around the indoor/outdoor track, swim or play basketball, among other things.

For students who aren't members of the HFC or want their progress available at all times, they can log their progress at Self.com. This web site allows people to track workouts and their diet; it's free and user-friendly. The site also has other valuable nutritional information and a "Feel good tip of the day."

If you will be on campus over spring break you can visit the field house, which will be more quiet, and work on your bod, while others are downing high-caloric beverages. The adjusted spring break times for the HFC are listed below.

UW-Stout Fitness Center Hours

Regular Hours:

Monday-Thursday:
6 am - 10 pm

Friday:
6 am - 9 pm

Saturday:
10 am - 9 pm

Sunday:
12 pm - 9 pm

Spring Break Hours:

Friday, March 10:
6 am - 4 pm

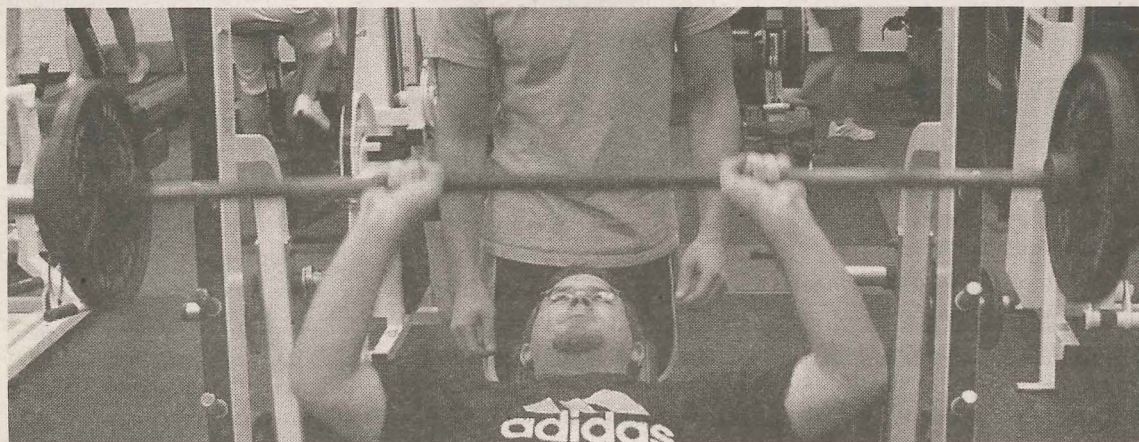
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Sunday, March 12:
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**Monday-Friday
March 13-17:**
10 am - 4 pm

Saturday, March 18:
CLOSED

Sunday, March 19:
CLOSED



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Richard Struxness is one of many people working out this time of year. Many students are getting in shape for spring break and summer. The health and fitness center also is hosting the spring break challenge.

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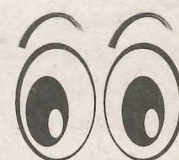
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Gymnasts set bar higher

By Casey Nold
Sports Writer

The gymnastics team flew to Colorado Springs, Colo. on Feb. 10, to compete against two division I schools (Airforce Academy and Cetenary College) and achieve their highest marks as a team. A few girls on the team even set personal best records.

In both days of competition, they came in third place, but the girls set their highest team score of the season with a 177.55. They also now hold the second highest team score in school history.

Rhian Paulson, senior captain, broke the school record in the all-around with a 37.15 and also on the vault with a 9.5. Paulson is currently ranked sixth nationwide in the all-around.

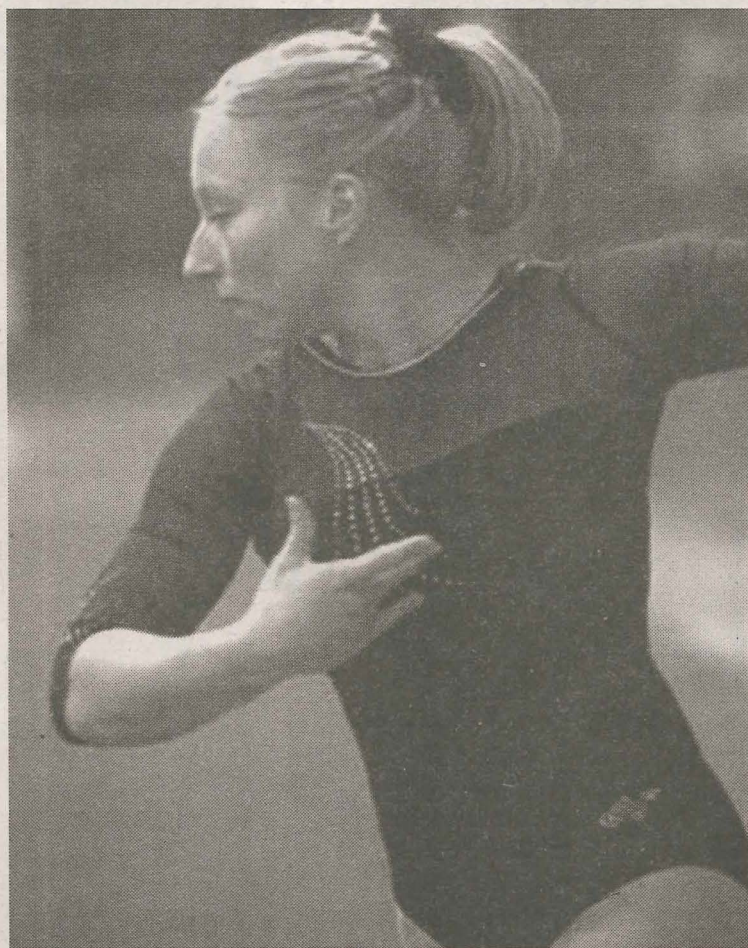
"This has been my favorite year on the team because the girls are hard working and determined to do their best and the coaches are very positive and encouraging. It has been a fun year which will make it harder for me to retire," said Rhian in her response to how the season has gone so far.

Coach Becky Beaulieu was especially proud of the girls and how they did in the meet at Airforce.

"The biggest accomplishment of the weekend was three beam sets nailed by Kori Zieminski, Shanna Kissinger and Rhian Paulson," said Beaulieu.

The girls feel that encouragement from the coach has helped them to focus where they need to focus and brought them the personal and team victories they have achieved so far this season.

"I told the girls earlier in the season that this year is not about wins and losses," stated Beaulieu. "It's about setting personal goals and achieving them. If



Courtesy: Sports Information

Rhian Paulson has had a solid season for the Blue Devil gymnastics team. She broke the school record in the all-around and vault.

that happens the wins will come down the road."

The girls' wins have definitely come, as shown at the Airforce Academy meet.

Ashley Timm, a sophomore studying retail and merchandising management, placed in the top five on the balance beam, even with a fall. She also holds a school record in that event which was achieved at the NCGA Championships.

Another personal best was achieved at the meet at Airforce by Amber Bianchi.

"I did really well in Colorado and got my personal best on floor while in college at a 9.125. It was really exciting." Bianchi is a sophomore studying dietetics.

"Individually, I didn't have my best meet, but I think our

team did awesome," said Cassie Glover, a freshman studying apparel design. "We got our two highest team scores and looked like we were up there with the division I teams, which was pretty cool. All the girls on both of the other teams have scholarships, so that's pretty amazing that we looked like we were just as good."

The girls also said that they got to go see the Olympic training center and learn some of their secrets. Although the goal of the weekend was to compete, which they did impressively, the girls got to enjoy Colorado scenery and they said it was a great time.

The girl's next competition is at UW-Oshkosh on March 3, where they will be competing in the WIAC Regional/Conference Championship.

Wonderlic test



Wesley Simonis
Sports Writer

It is by far the worst time of the year if you are a football fan.

We currently sit in the doldrums of late Feb. and early March when the National Football League (NFL) slips into hibernation.

This is the time of year when the less important things in life like bathing, work and spending time with loved ones are forced onto the main stage, while my true passion to watch football must be suppressed.

Yes, the labor talks may create a small splash, but most of us are looking for hard hitting, slobber-knocking action.

I've tried the Arena Football League (AFL) to ease my withdrawals, only to find myself accidentally doing homework instead of keeping focus on the TV like I should.

I started to play John Madden football for the Xbox and things were going great until I lost the NFC title game to the Baltimore Ravens and broke my controller in a fit of anger.

Just when I was about to do the unthinkable and go shopping with my girlfriend, a light appeared at the end of the tunnel.

The NFL combine.

For those of you who are unfamiliar with the happenings at the combine, here is a breakdown of what goes on during this event.

Potential players from all over the country go to Indianapolis and are tested in various areas. The tests depend on the position the player is and what their expected capabilities are.

Quarterbacks are tested in arm strength, running speed, general strength and agility.

Wide receivers and running backs are tested in upper body strength, speed and endurance. Lineman and defensive players also go through a series of test and drills. The main point is that players are lined up like machines and tested to see who performs the best.

A player's performance during the combine can make or break a career and most players have to attend a combine at least once.

The other half is a sort of IQ test known as the Wonderlic personnel test. Even if you skip the combine event, this test is required if you wish to enter the draft.

The test is a measurement of a potential draftee's capacity to recognize, adapt and solve.

The actual test consists of 50 similar questions given in 12 minutes. Questions are about as difficult as a fourth grade math test, but remember we are dealing with professional athletes who only really need to know

how to spell NFL.

Here is a sample question that may be seen on a Wonderlic test:

Paper sells for 21 cents per pad. What will four pads cost?

Stumped? The answer is 84 cents. You may have taken a test similar to this at a business or university, but don't be fooled, success on this test does not mean success on the field.

University of Texas quarterback Vince Young scored a six out of 50 on his test, banking one of the lowest scores of all time. We all know of Young's amazing abilities on the field, so certainly this test is not an accurate description of what he is capable of.

The average score on the test is approximately 21, but some players have scored near perfect on this test and never amounted to anything.

OK, enough test talk, I think it's time to put my two cents in on who used the combine to move up in the draft.

Defensive end Mario Williams from the North Carolina State University has continued to show his strength and speed during the combine.

Williams is 6 foot 7 inches tall and 295 pounds. He can run 40 yards in 4.6 seconds.

I got a shiver just writing that statistic. It would be like getting hit by a train if he tackled you at full speed.

Another reason I chose to highlight Williams is the potential that he may be wearing the green and gold next season. The Packers may spend their first round draft pick on him which would bring more speed to the Green Bay defense.

University of Florida wide receiver Chad Jackson really turned some heads in Indianapolis with his 4.3 second run in the 40 yard dash. Although his career at Florida was not spectacular, the experts believe his size and speed are better for the professional game.

Jackson's performance is a text book case of a player who used the combine to improve his status.

My final pick for a top combine performer is Vernon Davis from the University of Maryland. Davis is 6 foot 3 inches tall and weighs 254 pounds.

His time of 4.3 seconds in the 40 yard dash was one of the most impressive times ever by a tight end. Davis also has a 42 in. vertical jump and a 10 foot 8 inch broad jump.

For a fanatic like myself, seeing these players perform at the combine excites me for what will come next fall.

If it doesn't excite you, remember the following: When Brett Favre took the wonderlic he scored a 22, just one point above the average. It's safe to say his career was better than average.

Thank you combine, for allowing me to skip another pointless class and not return my girlfriend's phone calls.

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Blue Devil Scoreboard

Hockey (15-13)

The hockey team lost 7-2 against St. Norbert on Feb. 25

Finished second in the WIAC tournament.



Men's Basketball (21-6)

The basketball team lost UW-Whitewater 78-60

Next Game:
At Rock Island, Ill. facing Carleton College



Women's Basketball (20-7)

The women's basketball team defeated UW-Stevens Point 84-70

Next Game:
March 3 at Indianola, Iowa facing Concordia-Moorhead



Track & Field

Both track teams will participate in the WIAC track and field Championships at UW-Stevens Point on March 3.



Showdown for the Crown

By Matt Edison
Sports Writer

The University of Wisconsin-Stout's men's and women's basketball team's are once again on top.

The Lady Blue Devil's basketball team are Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Conference Champions again for the second season in a row.

This past Saturday the Blue Devils hosted the University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point inside the Johnson Fieldhouse. UW-Stout students showed their pride as both teams battled it out for the WIAC championship.

The ladies have been on fire as this was their eighth win in a row as they beat UW-Stevens Point 84-70. The winning streak started back in the beginning of February and continued throughout the month.

Domination took place on the court for the Blue Devils while playing against the Pointers. Molly Hendricks, a senior, wasted no time in being aggressive on the court as she scored 15 points in the first half.

Kelsey Duoss, a junior who was in foul trouble in the first half, still managed to lead the team in scoring as she put in 19 points. Jenny McDermid, a junior, pulled her share as she put in eight points in the first half.

The Pointers showed that they were still a threat to the Blue Devils; they were like a gnat that wouldn't go away. The Pointers would never come within 10 points during the last 10 minutes of regulation.

Overall both teams did well, but it was the Blue Devils that came out on top.

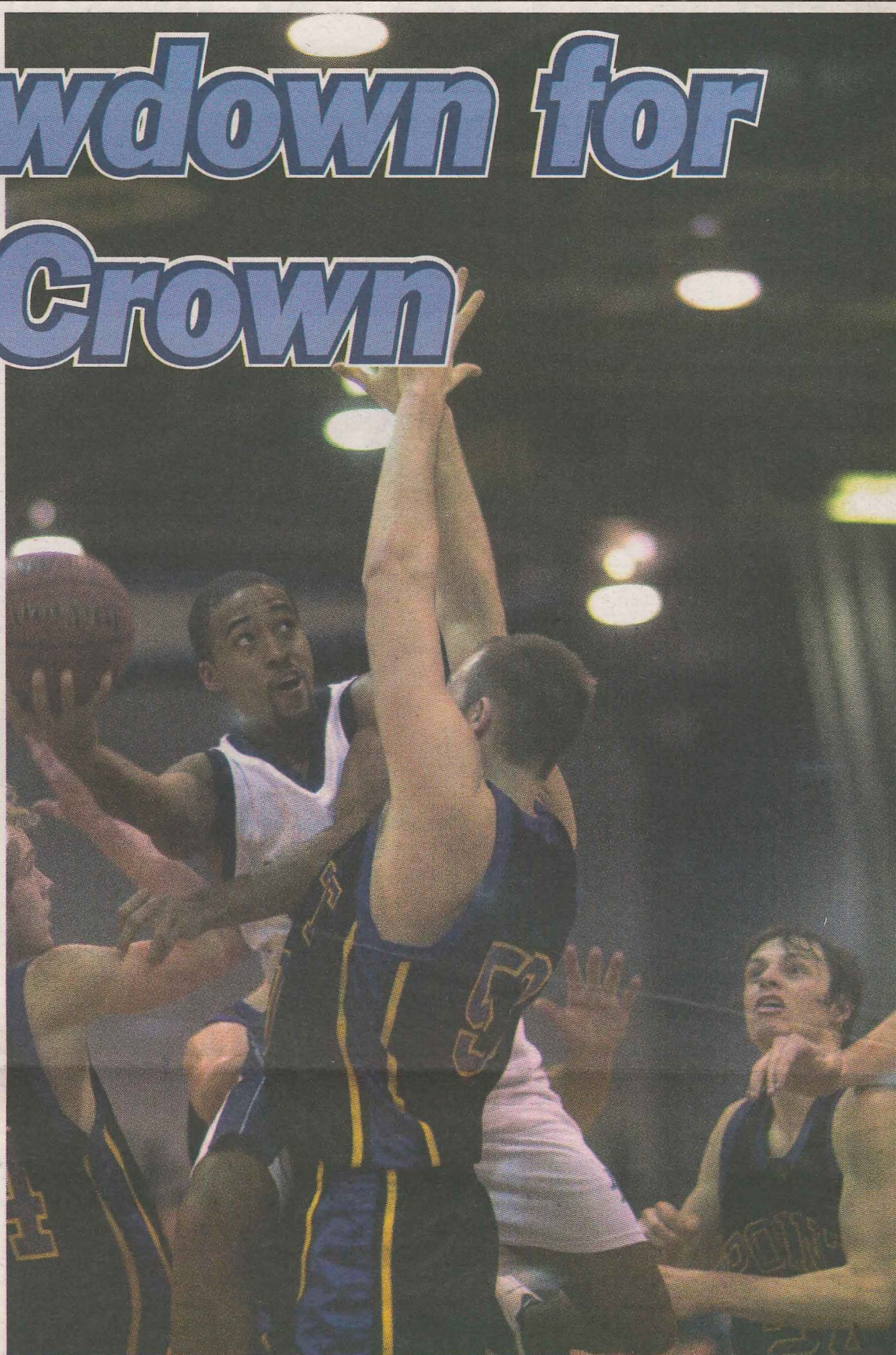
UW-Stout's shooting percentage was .41 percent, the Pointers shot a 37 percent, in which there was not a huge difference between the two.

"Everyone has been stepping up in their game lately which is a huge help," said Courtney Oelkers, a sophomore.

First round for the ladies will start this Friday as they take on the University of Minnesota Concordia-Moorhead.

The Blue Devils have a 7-4 record on the road and are 12-1 at home. Stout is going to have to step it up and perform to the best of their ability, as they should already know.

There is good and bad news for the men's basketball team. The bad news is that they suffered a loss against the Universi-



Courtesy: Sports Information
Greg Chassion and the UW-Stout basketball team have qualified for the NCAA tournament. The Lady Blue Devils also qualified by winning their conference tournament while the men placed second.

ty of Wisconsin Whitewater, and it cost the Blue Devils the WIAC championship. The good news is that by having such a great regular season record, UW-Stout was awarded a trip to the NCAA Division III tournament.

"We have played great and worked hard this season, so we deserve to be in this tournament," said coach Eddy Andrist.

This will be UW-Stout's first appearance at the NCAA tournament as they travel to Rock Island, Ill. to play their first game. UW-Stout will face the University of Minnesota Carleton College this Friday. This will be the Carleton Knights' first trip to the NCAA tournament also; they finished the season with the same record as the Blue Devils: 21-6.

UW-Stout is currently ranked fourteenth on D3hoops.com. This is a Website that ranks the top 25 teams in Division III basketball.

This Friday's game is going to be a WIAC vs. MIAC game. "This game is going to be all about bragging rights," said Andrist.

Each of these teams hasn't

faced each other yet, so UW-Stout is going to have to figure out where their weaknesses are.

The five starters will be Ryan Stangl, senior; Terry Farmer, senior; Greg Chassion, senior;

Jacob Nonemacher, a junior and Adam Chandler, a sophomore.

The men's team has had a phenomenal year while playing games on the road, so this will be the true test this Friday.

UW-Stout Basketball: A Season of Success

Men's Team

- First ever NCAA appearance
- Ranked 14th overall
- Finished second in regular season
- Second in WIAC tournament
- Second in WIAC regular season
- 21 wins this season

Women's Team

- Second straight NCAA bid
- Ranked 21st overall
- Co-champions in regular season
- Champions in WIAC tournament
- First ever back to back WIAC titles
- 20 wins this season

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Tuition has doubled in four years

By Lindsey Schuldt
News Editor

Everyone knows that the budget has slowly been cut for

higher education for the past several years. Recently, a survey was released from the state that shows just how much of a price students have paid.

Between 2001 and 2005, there has been a 16 percent drop in public funding per student, according to a report from the State Higher Education

Executive Officers Association.

In the budget that passed in 2003, there was a \$250 million cut for education, and two years later the budget merely broke even for education.

This has meant a raise in tuition over the past four years of 51 percent.

"Democracy is an ongoing experiment that is linked inextricably to our ensuring as many of our citizens as possible have the opportunity to benefit from higher learning," said Clifton Conrad, a professor at the UW-Madison.

He believes that higher education should be for all Americans no matter what their backgrounds or lifestyles.

"This kind of ongoing trend undercuts the very foundation of democracy, mainly that an educated citizenry is what fuels a democracy."

The Board of Regents is telling the stories of students "who aren't going to be able to go to the university anymore because tuition is going up and state support is going down," said Regent Charles Pruitt.

There are many reasons for the reduction in funding though, said Regent President David Walsh.

"I don't think it's purposeful," said Walsh. He still believes that higher education will need more public money.

"I'm encouraged by my conversations with people from both sides of the aisle," said Walsh. "I feel better now than I did a year and a half ago."

Students are still feeling the crunch of the new numbers.

"When my brother went to school here he didn't have to pay for a laptop or for any more than 12 credits," said Matt Erickson, a sophomore undecided major. "I'm paying in a year what he was paying in two and it sucks."

Erickson also mentioned that he works nearly full-time to cover the expenses of living and paying tuition.

"Hopefully I'll pay off my loans by the time I retire," said Erickson.

Walsh says the economy and "competing constituencies," like corrections, Medicaid, and K-12 education are reasons for the progressive downwards slope of funding for education.

The findings for the study were on the combination of the universities as well as technical colleges. Donald Mash, the UW executive senior president, said that Wisconsin appears to be doing a lot more with a lot less than many other places.

He also noted that the universities and technical colleges are normally more richly funded than others.

Mississippi finds hope in tragedy



Adam Enerson/submitted photograph

Many students from the University of Wisconsin-Stout went down to Mississippi for an alternative spring break. Details of the trip can be found in Campus on page 6.

Professor wins two awards

By Lindsey Schuldt
News Editor

Continuing with its traditional standard of striving for excellence, the University of Wisconsin-Stout has added another professor to their award-winning list.

Ilse Hartung, a senior lecturer in UW-Stout's foreign languages, theatre and music department and speech communications, earned the Chancellor's Academic Staff Award for Excellence and Outstanding Woman of Color Award this year.

The first award recognizes Hartung as a member on the academic staff that shows

promise for the future of their field at UW-Stout.

With this award, Hartung was given a \$5,000 budget to spend on anything she needs for her professional development. This will include travel, support and supplies she may need.

"Ms. Hartung is an excellent teacher, and a fervent advocate for students of color," said Chancellor Charles Sorensen.

"She recognizes the value of diversity and promotes diversity programs and experiences for students."

The Outstanding Woman of Color Award is for Hartung's efforts to initiate positive change

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Ilse Hartung, originally from Chile, has promoted learning and diversity at UW-Stout for the past 20 years.

Drug bust finds marijuana

Four rooms raided and 10 people arrested

By Lindsey Schuldt
News Editor

On Wednesday, March 1, the Menomonie Police Department raided three vehicles and four University of Wisconsin-Stout dorm rooms in search of marijuana.

Their search was successful and they collected an unknown amount of the drug.

The following Monday, March 6, 10 people were arrested in connection with the marijuana, nine of which are students at UW-Stout.

All that were arrested are suspected of dealing drugs.

The police confiscated marijuana, cash and three vehicles. They searched four rooms in four different residence halls as well as a couple of off-campus rentals and a duplex.

"Having something like this where we have seven search warrants and 10 people get arrested, I think, is pretty significant for our town," said Sergeant Steven Chronis of the Menomonie Police Department.

All of the suspects are thought to be from the Green Bay area or the Twin Cities and are aged between 18 and 25.

"With a student base of this population, there is going to be a couple cases like this one from time and again that will happen," said Ryan Wilson, university spokesman. "This is a rare case, it's not the norm."

Police are not releasing any more information at this time and no names have been released.

Editors note: As more information is released, we will continue to update you on the progress of the case.

Empty Bowls to fill

By Lindsey Schuldt
News Editor

Do you want to make a positive difference in someone else's life? Then on Saturday, March 25, help end hunger and homelessness by going to Empty Bowls.

The event will be held between 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. at Menomonie Middle School.

Empty Bowls is selling artistic bowls, filled with homemade soup, for \$15 per person. If you don't want to buy a bowl but still want soup, there is a recommended donation

of \$5 per person, but it is not mandated.

Middle school and high school students have worked together to make more than 600 bowls for the community.

If anyone wants to donate, they can contact Rose Studebaker, at 235-3409. Organizations in Menomonie who will be helped by donations include Interfaith Food Pantry, the House of Hope and Menomonie Area Bread for the World. Their goal is to raise approximately \$10,000 from

donations as well as from the art auction.

There will also be a silent art auction with pottery and arts from local artists. The highest bidders will receive the arts every hour. If anyone cares to donate to this auction they can call Interfaith Volunteers at 235-2920.

Another activity will be the refugee site where there will be educational information for visitors to see what kind of disaster kits the homeless in New Orleans had.

Teach / Hartung

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within the UW System. This award was only given out to 16 statewide employees.

"Her strong commitment to her students and department, her involvement in numerous campus committees and her advisement of campus organizations all demonstrate the excellence of her service and dedication," said Sorensen.

"I very much appreciate the leadership she has provided in the success of the newly established Minority Faculty and Staff Network."

Born in Chile, Hartung

earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in teaching English as a second language.

After graduating from the University of Chile at Santiago, she earned a scholarship to teach in the United States.

Hartung began teaching Spanish at UW-Stout in 1984 and now teaches Spanish for the Spanish minor as well as for other students.

She worked in the Ethnic Services Center as a graduate student where she was in charge of the Peer Mentor Program and was also the editor to a quarterly magazine called "Ethnicity."

Chancellor Sorensen takes a look at the rest of the year.

"We have a very bright future."

UW-Stout provost search is well underway.

"Application deadline was March 17, and the review of applications by the search committee members will now begin. There has been a great deal of interest shown in the position, and I am confident that we will appoint an excellent person by July 1, 2006."

A look back on February budget forums.

"I want to thank everyone who was involved in organizing the forums and for those who chose to participate. We are one of the few campuses that I am familiar with that sponsors such an open process, providing an opportunity to participate to everyone who wants to, and, likewise, the right not to participate."

The discussion to become polytechnic continues.

"We must remember that this idea emerged from our planning process over the past three years and it involved a great deal of discussion with members of the faculty, administration and the staff."

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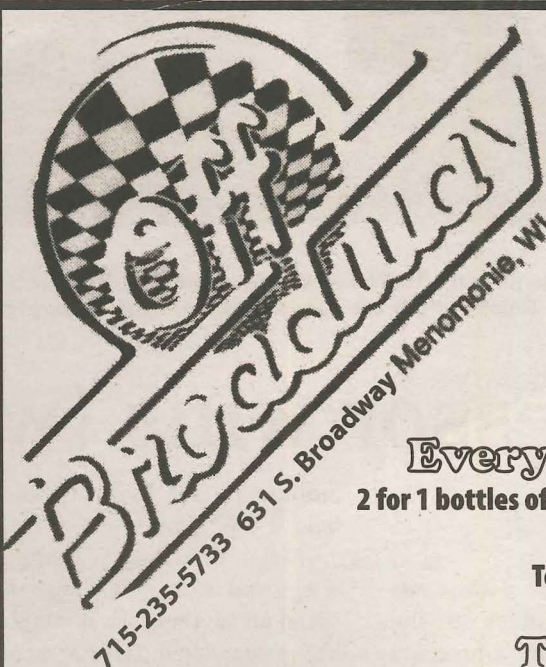
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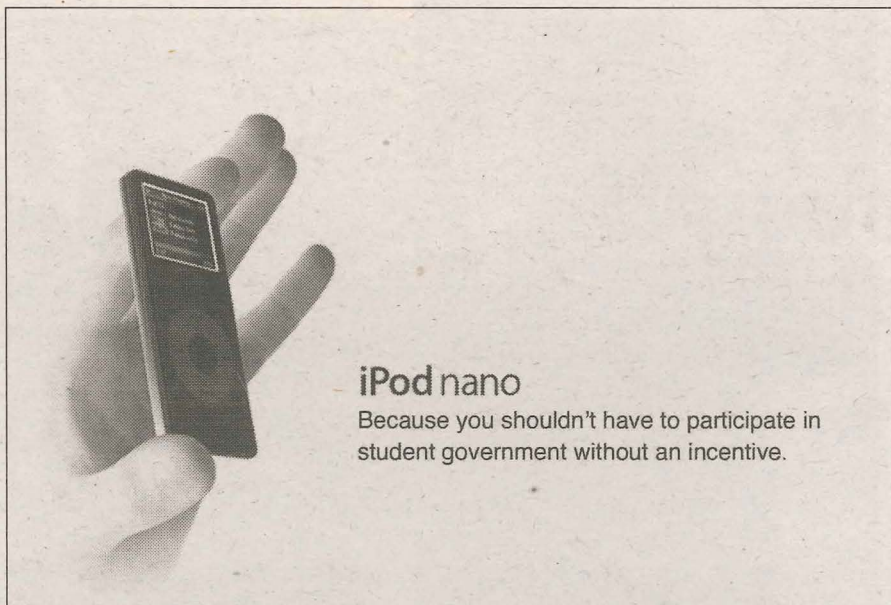
Staff Editorial The Stoutonia Staff

The SSA executive candidate debate is coming up on March 27. What does this mean to you as students?

It means that you can go listen to these debates to learn about the candidates for the executive elections.

It also means that if you attend, there is a chance you could win a free iPod Nano.

That's right, SSA is now bribing students to attend the debates. Then again, how many students would go without a bribe?



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Because you shouldn't have to participate in student government without an incentive.

You may be wondering what's the point of even going to the debates.

Well, if you do go, you can learn about what candidates are up for elections and get an educated opinion

to then vote on E-Scholar on April 5 for the candidate that you want.

These candidates make important decisions that affect everyone, so knowing something about who you are vot-

ing for is definitely a good thing.

Not only will this give you an idea of who to vote for, it will also keep you educated about SSA.

How many students actually know who their representative is? When this question was posed at the Stoutonia meeting, no one could answer it. Chances are, not many other people could either.

In case you are wondering, representatives are divided by college.

Another reason to go to the debates and actually

vote is because it gives you the right to complain about things you don't like around campus.

Many students now just complain about things and do nothing about it. What right do you have to complain about something if you aren't doing anything to try to fix the problem?

Some may think that SSA only helps and does things for organizations.

While they do decide many things about organizations, there are also things that affect those that aren't involved on campus.

According to ssa.uwstout.edu, things ranging from the laptop initiative to where new sidewalks could go all are discussed by SSA.

So get out there and vote.

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Warmer weather better be on its way



Matt Schubbe Columnist

The weather right now is downright unjust.

Right as I was about to put my winter coat in the closet, old man winter decided to fart out one more icy blast upon his favorite stomping ground, the upper Midwest. And he ate Mexican food and asparagus the night before, so it would seem. I'm

speaking, of course, of the blizzard that pelted us in our collective faces over the past week on not one, but two separate days.

Ironically, I was in a car traveling a reasonably long distance whenever it happened to be snowing. Neither of these times did I happen to be driving, but still. When you see people literally pushing their cars up exit ramps on 494, something just ain't right.

I also had a dentist appointment during one of these frightful, frozen dumpings and I don't even want to begin to tell you how tough it was to get from where I was in Shakopee to my

dentist's office in Woodbury.

Needless to say, I didn't even have time to brush my teeth, but luckily my pearly whites contained no offending cavities, so I suppose that's a plus.

Having to shovel and re-shovel several inches of snow off of one's driveway was also a hallmark of these snowstorms.

My dad even had to shovel off part of our roof that became so heavy with snow that the weight threatened to cause some damage. Whether it fell onto one of our cars, or stayed on the roof and fell through into our house, it was a threat either way.

So what am I saying here?

I feel as if I'm simply narrating all of my snowy complications while not really tying anything together, so I'll get to that for all the finicky readers out there. I want all this snow to melt. Fast.

It's spring calendar-wise right now, so let's get nature to act like it. Pouring buckets of hot water on your lawn like I tried doing is time consuming, so don't go about it that way, but do something.

I implore all of you out there to at least pretend it's warm outside. If everyone does it, maybe the snow will get frightened and implode upon itself. Fingers crossed.



Letters to the Editor

If you wish to submit a Letter to the Editor, letters can be sent to stoutonia@uwstout.edu. Letters must be no longer than 250 words and must be submitted by 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday in order to run in that week's issue.

"S" thief still out there

There's something about John Clavin's confession to ripping the original "S" from the Bowman Hall clock tower which just doesn't ring true. Indeed, I am convinced that Mr. Clavin's confession was fabricated and that the real perpetrator remains at large.

Mr. Clavin claims that the alleged act was part of a mission to "beautify the campus." As an art student, however, Mr. Clavin certainly would have appreciated the aesthetic and architectural significance of the original "S," placed on the clock tower in 1922.

No art student would have committed such an assault on the integrity of Bowman Hall.

Why, then, would Mr. Clavin admit to an offense which he clearly did not commit? Consider what has transpired since his confession. He has appeared on television stations across the country, and the story has appeared in newspapers nationwide. Hollywood types, of course, thrive on publicity; and Mr. Clavin certainly found a clever way to generate national publicity. Perhaps that's why they call him "Clever Clavin."

With the real perpetrator still at large, the new "S" is also vulnerable. I trust that campus police will remain vigilant.

Scott Gunem
Eau Claire

New music critic needed

After reading the article on Trampled By Turtles, "If only their lead singer would shut up", I realized that Andrew Ridgeway probably isn't cut out to be a music critic.

I felt like I was reading an 8th grader's term paper. He obviously doesn't understand the dynamics of bluegrass music, the band or their audience.

Being a veteran of 50 or so TBT shows, Dave's vocals and song writing are a main reason I continue going to these shows. It has made a lot of us in Duluth both laugh and say "who is this guy" after reading this article.

Maybe he should stick to critiquing "Where the Red Fern Grows" or other more suitable topics for his rather amateur writing.

Go see 'em live if you want to see why this band is where they're at. (Note: most bluegrass acts don't have a drummer, Andy, so get off that topic. It was good for a laugh, though)

Dan M.
Duluth, MN

Musical ignorance

Ridgeway should spend some more time studying music history. This is not country music and what is a typical country lyric?

This assertion leads one to believe that Mr. Ridgeway believes the clichés, and he apparently does not listen to country music now or ever. Mr. Ridgeway's question of "Why no drum?" is a sign of his musical ignorance. If he knew the style of music and the history he would know why there would be no drum.

If he also spent some time on their websites (www.trampledbyturtles.com as well as myspace.com) he would find the inspiration for these artists is very diverse and relevant.

He is apparently not their target market. For a college paper, the lack of professionalism and ignorance shown by this article is troubling.

Where was the editor? There is also a misspelled word on the website (Hint: it's in the title!)

Chad Nordstrom

THE 411

March 23
to March 30

Thursday, March 23

>Trampled by Turtles + The Daredevil Christopher Wright, Rec. Center, 8 p.m., Free.
>American National Ballet: Signatures of Dance, State Theater, 7:30 p.m., \$15.
>Bear Creek Band, Klassix, 8 p.m., Free.

Friday, March 24

>The Kissers, Stones Throw, 10 p.m., \$5.
>Urban Hillbilly Quartet, Blind Munchies, 7 p.m., Free.
>Steel Rain, Tailgates, 9:30 p.m., cost unknown.

Saturday, March 25

>Hooch, Stones Throw, 10 p.m., \$4.
>Wisconsin Regional Artist Program Workshop, Mabel Tainter Theater, 9 a.m., Free.

Sunday, March 26

>No Scheduled Events

Monday, March 27

>Kelly Joe Phelps + Billy Krause, Stones Throw, 8 p.m., \$10.

Tuesday, March 28

>Lucy Creek Blues Band, Klassix, 7:30 p.m., Free.

Wednesday, March 29

>Matt Wahl, Fischer's on the Green, 7 p.m., Free.

Thursday, March 30

>Thick Shoe, Stones Throw, 10 p.m., \$3.

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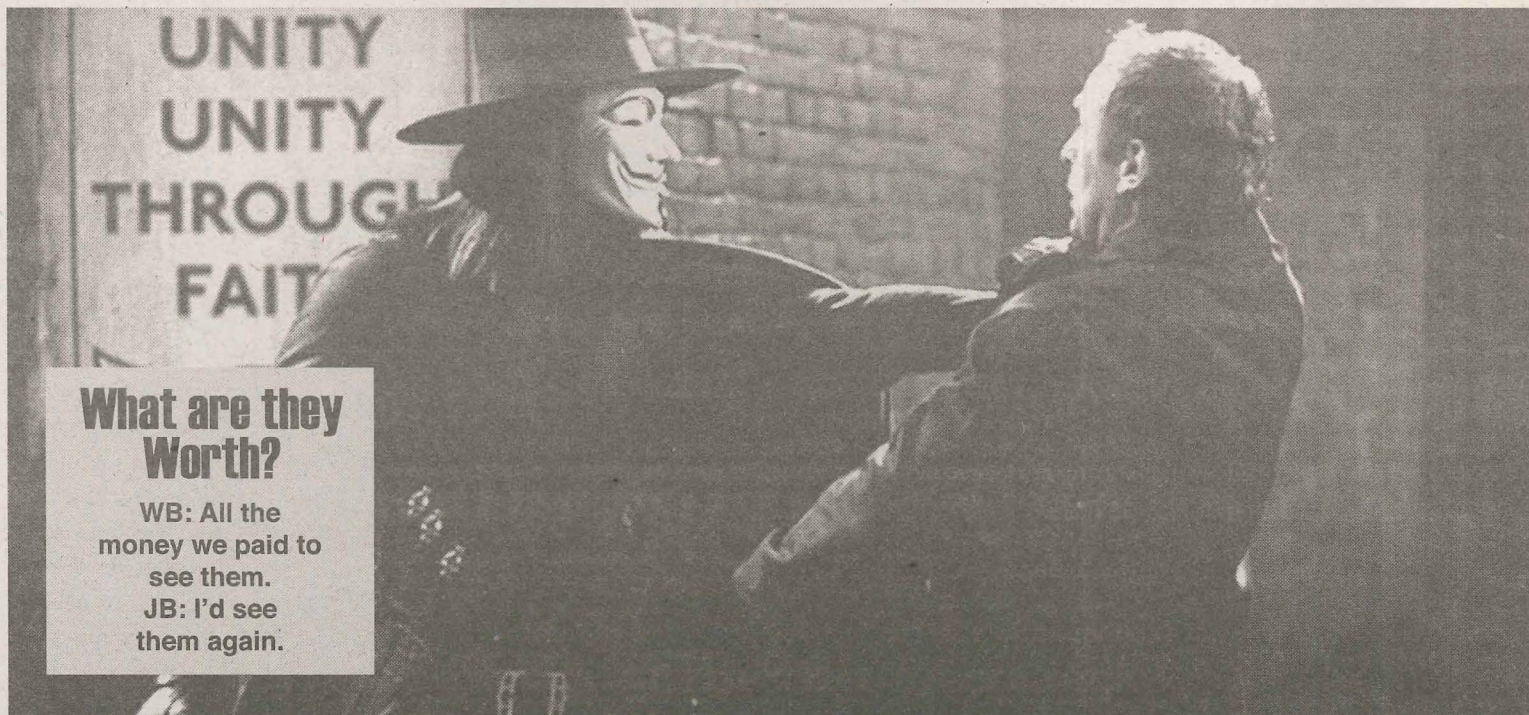
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Three films you should see



What are they Worth?

WB: All the money we paid to see them.
JB: I'd see them again.

Source: www.rottentomatoes.com

One of the hallmarks of the new film "V for Vendetta" is the astounding makeup job. Audiences swear that Hugo Weaving (left, playing the deranged avenger of the film's title) is actually wearing a mask. (Don't worry if that caption confused you; believe us, you're not alone.)



Jarrod Burns and William Butcher

Entertainment Writer

Ultraviolet

JB: Directed by Kurt Wimmer, creator of the action masterpiece "Equilibrium," "Ultraviolet" had an underwhelming story whose only virtue was displaying non-stop action and gadgets that would make 007 cry.

WB: Clever futuristic set de-

signs clashed with modern sky-lines and the script was on par with a Sci-Fi Channel movie.

The story was anemic and, like "The Matrix" series, is purely brainless entertainment.

Dave Chappelle's Block Party

WB: Unlike the now-defunct "Chappelle's Show," this movie takes you through the steps of creating a unique outdoor concert starring great hip-hop artists.

Armed with a megaphone, Dave Chappelle takes charge of all the managing responsibilities, serving as ringmaster to a giant New York block party.

JB: Michel Gondry, director of "Eternal Sunshine of a Spotless Mind" and numerous music videos, puts his unique style of directing to use in this documentary.

Chappelle only takes the comedic spotlight occasionally as he interviews locals and recruits audience members and a marching band from his hometown in Ohio.

The focus of the film is on the concert, featuring some acts that you wouldn't be able to hear listening to top 40 radio or MTV.

V for Vendetta

WB: Set in the not-too-distant future, "V for Vendetta" tells

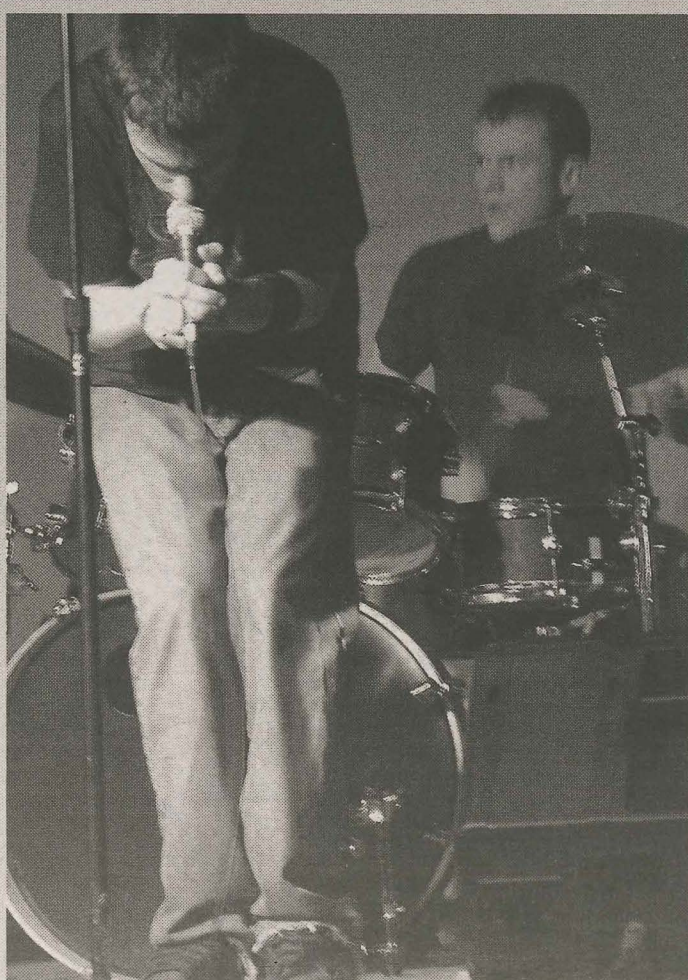
the story of a deranged, masked avenger known only as "V," who is intent on disrupting the fascist government currently controlling Great Britain.

Caught up in the middle of V's crusade is Evey, played by Natalie Portman, who is converted following an attempted rape at the hands of the police.

JB: After reading the comic series by Alan Moore, I was looking forward to seeing how "Vendetta" would be adapted to the big screen.

Moore had his name removed from the film, but "V for Vendetta" was overall successfully adapted. The few changes that were made, however, weren't improvements.

Metal on a Tuesday



Drew Retherford/Stoutonia

On March 21, Twin Cities-based metal band Born Under Punches graced the MSC with its presence. Led by vocalist Ryan Connors, the emotion-filled metal was overall quite satisfying.

A time and place



Justin Emry

Entertainment Writer

This year's Academy Awards ceremony was widely regarded as being too controversial and too political for mainstream audiences.

The topic was the focus of many conservative talk shows during the days leading up to the Oscars.

Right-wing pundit Bill O'Reilly suggested that the content of the films was inappropriate, as was the nature of most actors' acceptance speeches.

His reasoning?

O'Reilly relied on the old platitude that there is a time and a place for everything.

It is my opinion that overtly political acceptance speeches, such as the kind we will always associate with filmmaker Michael Moore, are neither dignified nor productive.

I am also a firm believer in this concept of proper time and place, but I don't agree that the film industry itself is in the wrong for attempting political relevancy.

Among the allegedly over-political films, there was "Brokeback Mountain," a movie about a homosexual relationship; "Crash," a film about racial and economic tensions and stereotypes; and "Good Night and Good Luck," which dealt with '50s McCarthyism.

Whatever side you take on these potentially divisive subjects, one thing is certain: you can't fault filmmakers for trying to make socially aware films.

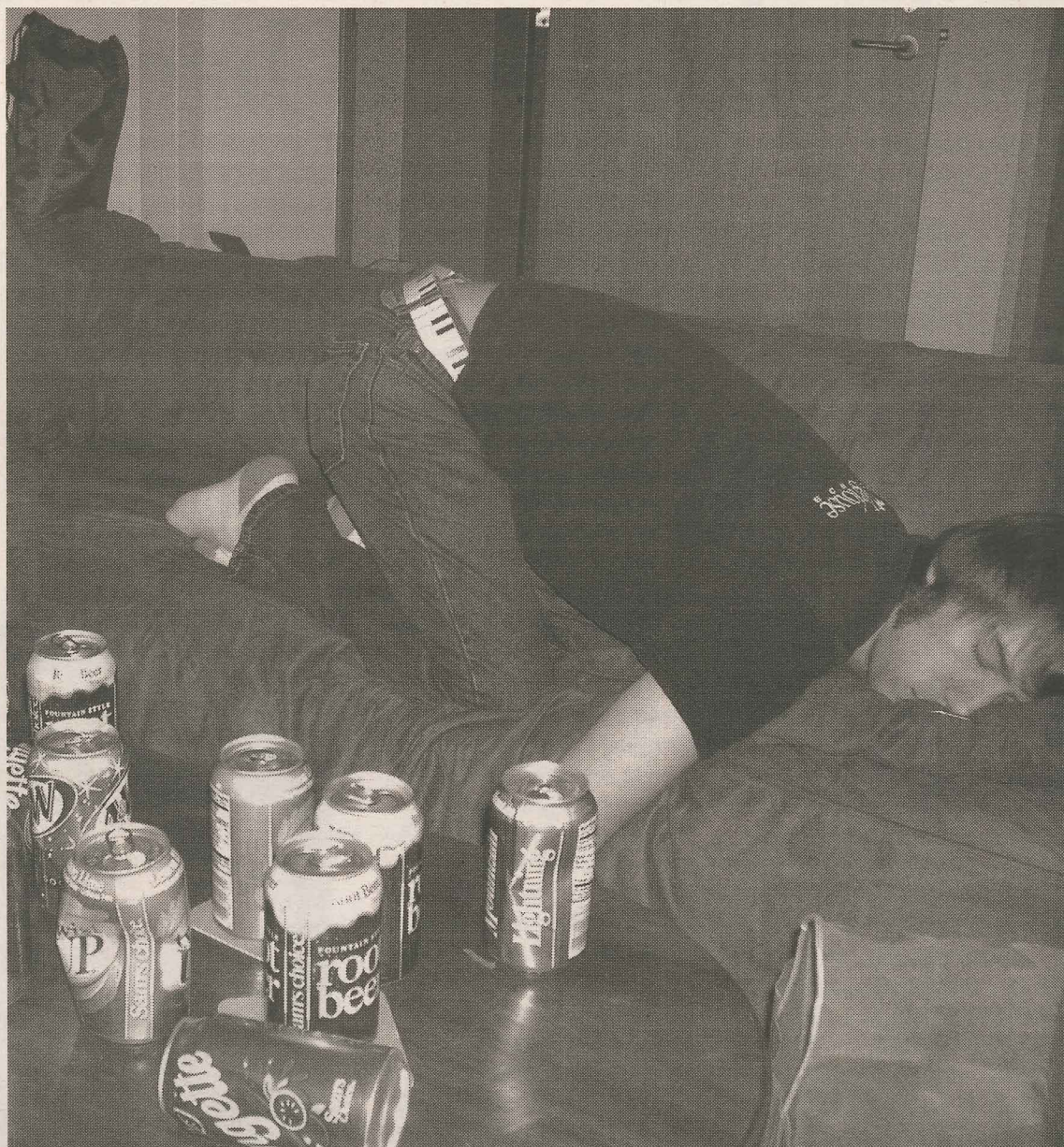
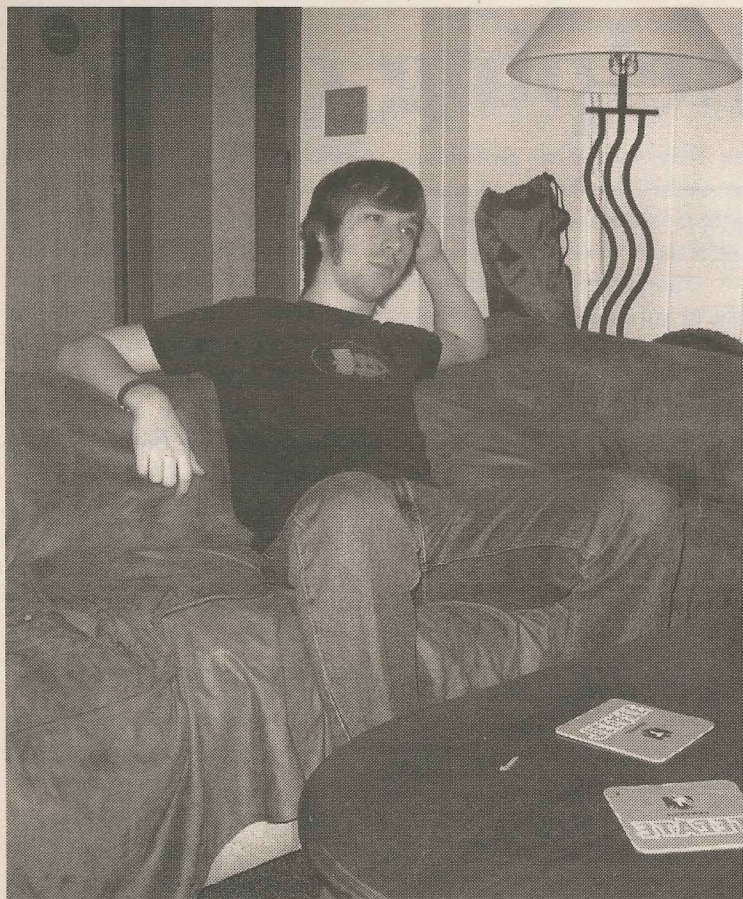
Whether you're liberal, conservative or apathetic, you have to respect the free speech of others (yes, even Hollywood) and, as responsible citizens, welcome an open debate of values.

In order for all of us to live up to our civil responsibilities we must face head-on that which may offend us.

Expose yourself and others to real, relevant issues.

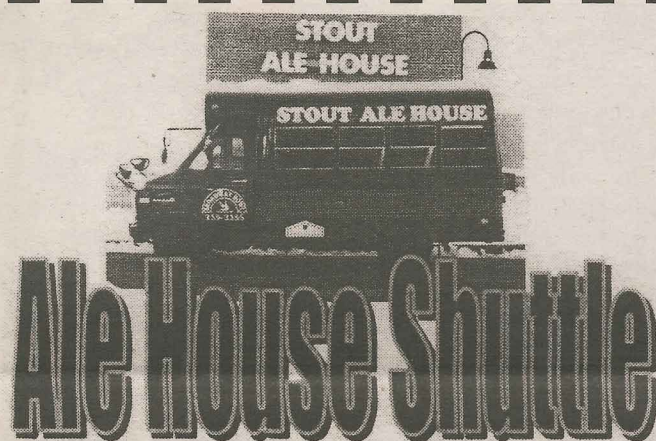
This exposure is vital, and what better tool to accomplish this through than the media?

Whatever you do, don't try this at home, kids



Matt Schubbe/Stoutonia

Left: Our intrepid hero, about to embark on his 12-hour TV-watching adventure. Above: The aftermath of a successful mission. Once again, Matt Schubbe shows he's willing to suffer so you don't have to.



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March 27 from 9-1 a.m.



Matt Schubbe

Entertainment Writer

Over this past spring break, I received my dream assignment: I was asked by my editor to spend roughly twelve straight hours watching television and documenting what I watched.

12 p.m. to 1 p.m. Woke up and immediately flipped on the TV. Nothing is really on at this time on a Wednesday afternoon, so I end up flipping between Cartoon Network and Comedy Central.

I have to choose between "The Grim Adventures of Billy and Mandy" or reruns of "Premium Blend" hosted by the mildly amusing Tommy Davidson. The kiddy fare wins out, due to the appearance of a slime monster halfway through the episode. Good work, Cartoon Network.

1 p.m. to 4 p.m. What I've come to call the "Magic Afternoon." The normally sweaty and Bengay-stenched programming of Spike TV has been replaced by the intellectual nerd-fare, "Star Trek: The Next Generation" for three glorious hours.

I make lunch in the kitchen with the TV on. Wesley Crusher is considering quitting Starfleet to go on an extra-dimensional head-trip while the noodles of my macaroni and cheese begin to boil.

The next episode finds the crew having a characteristically

common problem with the Holodeck. My brain goes in and out of listening as I pour the cheese sauce into my hot noodles. I begin to wonder why it is that there are so many problems with the Holodeck, what with characters from inside coming to life and all. If the Holodecks can't be made safe, why not just remove them in favor of a good skeeball game or whack-a-gator?

As I walk towards the sink to wash my dishes, I think about how much I enjoy Patrick Stewart's voice, and consider going to the library some day soon to try to find a book on tape read by him. I quickly forget about this as I am drawn deeper into TV's warm, glowing bosom.

4 p.m. to 5 p.m. This is the TV dead zone I feared I'd find. I surf through channel after channel of bad sitcom reruns until I finally settle on "King of the Hill" reruns on the FX network. All the commercials seem to be about an upcoming new episode of "The Shield."

I begin to contemplate how tricky it would be to light Vick Mackey's bald head, but I soon realize that I really don't care about "The Shield." Also, the "DVD On TV" commercials for bad movies are starting to try my nerves. Hopefully, salvation will come soon.

5 p.m. to 7 p.m. Turn to TBS to catch reruns of "Seinfeld" and "Everybody Loves Raymond." These shows are a blur to me, as I've seen so many episodes of each that they have become indistinct. I put that out of my mind and think about making dinner.

7 p.m. to 9 p.m. I make some instant dinner in the kitchen. One of my sisters is hogging the TV and watching The Disney Channel. I know that I must be vigilant, but how many consecutive episodes of "That's So Raven" and "The Suite Life of Zach and Cody" can they show? I wonder if I'll be able to keep my appetite amidst all these terrible G-rated antics.

These shows are more sugary than Donny Osmond with a mouth full of pixie stix. I shove my plate in the sink and hurry back to my basement refuge.

9 p.m. to 11 p.m. Back to Cartoon Network with some episodes of "Foster's Home for Imaginary Friends," "Futurama" and "Family Guy" to nicely round out my evening.

Something always brings a tear to my eye about cancelled shows becoming more popular in reruns than when they originally aired. I dismiss the dark circles under my eyes and keep my face glued to the screen. Almost there.

11 p.m. to 12 p.m. I catch the end of "Leno" to kill time until "Conan O'Brien" is on. Once "Conan" starts my eyes become heavy. I pull a blanket over myself as the monologue begins. I know this will be my last entry, because my brain has become too weak.

Absorbing all that information from the TV at such a constant pace has rendered my brain a pile of chunky oatmeal. With brown sugar. Eyes slowly fall shut. Contemplating whether this was a waste. Journalistic integrity says no. Goodnight.

Students spend break helping others

By Jennifer Gauthier
Campus Writer

As we all know, quite a few college students celebrate the traditional spring break with copious amounts of booze and booty. But this year, a group of students from the University of Wisconsin-Stout decided to forego the hedonistic festivities and instead travel to Mississippi to help victims of Hurricane Katrina.

Before the trip, students didn't know exactly what to expect and were looking forward to the things they'd be doing in Mississippi. Erin Handrahan, a senior majoring in human development and family studies and vocational rehabilitation, was most excited to be spending time with the children at the Boys and Girls Clubs.

"I cannot even imagine what they have been through," said Handrahan. "I am excited to learn from them."

In the mornings, the groups would work demolishing, doing yard work or otherwise helping individual families who'd been affected. They spent their days working from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. Afternoons were spent at various Boys and Girls Clubs. The group was split into four other groups who all went to different centers.

They spent 10 days on the trip, spending approximately 52 hours of it on the road traveling to and from Mississippi. The trip encompassed nearly all of their

spring break.

Students were surprised about the amount of rubble and debris that was still present some seven months after the hurricane. With all the news coverage on New Orleans and Louisiana, a lot of students didn't expect the devastation where they were working. The first day, Dani Bleck, a junior majoring in business, helped gut out a house that was completely moved off the foundation, but still standing.

"There were 30 [people] on the job, and the house was demolished in less than 3 hours," said Bleck.

"Everyone that we met and helped was so grateful for the work we did," said Adam Enerson, a senior majoring in construction management.

"At the end of a hard day of work the best thing that I received was a heartfelt hug from a homeowner," said Enerson. "That was all that most could give and that was all I needed to know what we did was really changing peoples lives."

Students also did work at Boys and Girls Clubs, spending time with the kids. A highlight at the end of the week was a thank you party.

"I know we connected with the kids at these clubs," said Enerson. "[Some of the kids] were telling us stories of what color their bedrooms are going to be when they get their new house.

I am forever grateful for what these friends taught me and for letting me into their lives."

"Usually groups that go down there are affiliated with churches," said Bleck. "But because it was spring break, the majority of people there were college students."

Bleck said one of the policemen had a friend that was a DJ, and they threw a party for the students on the beach with a bonfire, because the people were so thankful.

"People would make lunch-

es; they wanted to give things in return," said Bleck. "Random people—complete strangers—at the restaurant would thank us."

There was a lot that students had to say about what they would like to know about the trip.

"I would like to remind people that this hurricane is still affecting people every day," said Enerson.

Enerson said one homeowner was grateful to wake up every day and not have to be reminded of the hurricane because the debris is gone.

"To have to relive this hor-

rific experience day after day after day is something that humankind should not have to do," said Enerson. "There is so much that we can still do, and I would encourage everyone to take part in this monumental act of kindness towards humankind."

According to Bleck, there might be another trip planned for the future.

"A bunch of us are already talking about getting another group to go down there because it was such a good experience," said Bleck.



Submitted by Erik Valdmanis

Students from the University of Wisconsin-Stout joined other college students from around the country to aid those affected by Hurricane Katrina. They cleaned, demolished houses and helped youth in the area.

An alternative account of spring break



Leah Williams
Chief Copyeditor

While alternative spring break was a humbling experience, I spent some of the week frustrated. Having limited volunteer experience, knowing little

about the area and knowing relatively few UW-Stout students on the trip, I subjected myself to what would become an eye-opening experience.

We left Menomonie eager to help those displaced by Hurricane Katrina. We were also prepared to watch a few Vince Vaughn movies and possibly an Oscar nominated film. Little did we know that bus two's two TVs were junk; the picture went out after we hit a pothole.

Just after crossing the Mississippi border, we got a glimpse of future bus troubles. Bus two wouldn't start after we stopped for breakfast. However, our devoted bus drivers, Clem and Dick, jumped it and we were off once again. Late Sunday afternoon, we arrived at iCare Village, where we stayed during the cleanup effort.

The most frustrating part of

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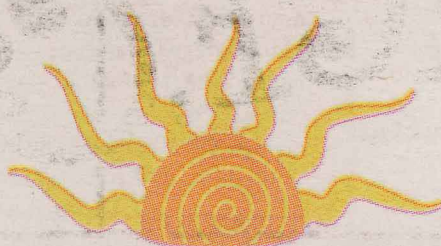
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Drum club to sponsor another spin jam

By Josh Sondelski
Campus Writer

With the lights flashing and DJ Spydro and DJ Smilze spinning the vinyl, the Drum Club will hold their second Spin Jam of the year this Friday.

The event will take place in Huff's in the Memorial Student Center, on March 29 and begins at 9 p.m. with free food and drinks.

Steve Poreda, the brainchild behind Mystik Toyz, will be coming from Minneapolis to lead the opening drum circle and kick off the festivities.

The night starts with a short meet and greet, followed by an opening drum circle. From then on, a wide array of activities await the potential jammer.

A rainbow of skill toys, compliments of Mystik Toyz, will be available to anyone willing to learn, including juggling sticks (called devil sticks), yo-yos, footbags and poi swings, the spin toy used in fire dancing.

Drum Club President Becky Lightfoot emphasized the openness that holds spin jams together.

"Everyone is very open to teach; there are so many different things to try out," said Lightfoot.

Aside from the activities, the Spin Jams have a very unique atmosphere. Sage and incense is burned throughout the night, and Poreda, also known as Mr. Fun, brings blacklights along with the skill toys.

"The jams are high energy and it's a great place to learn [new activities]," said Lightfoot.

Everyone is encouraged to share ideas and take part in whatever part of the jam that interests them. Drums and skill toys, along with food and drink, will be provided to anyone in attendance during the night. The drum club also encourages everyone to

bring in their own instruments, skill toys and ideas.

Mr. Fun will be in attendance once again to take part and bring his energy to the jam. Poreda, the owner of Mystik Toyz since its creation in 1994, moved to Minneapolis and established his business in the cities.

"He was a blast last time," said Drum Club Vice President Laura Hamilton.

Spin Jams first began popping up in the Twin Cities five years ago, where fans of skill toys would get together, play music, dance and play drums.

Current jams are held each Thursday at the Four Seasons Dance Studio in Minneapolis from 10 p.m. to 1 a.m. There is no drumming for

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Study Abroad, you will see the world differently

By Heidi Sleep
Campus Writer

The University of Wisconsin-Stout currently offers study abroad opportunities in 22 different countries. In 2005, 250

UW-Stout students studied in 12 different countries.

"If students are interested in a place, we can look into it for them," said Claudia Smith, Director of International Education at UW-Stout. "Over the next few

years we are going to be adding to the options."

The Office of International Education (OIE), located on the 4th floor of Bowman Hall, offers exchange, study abroad and short-term programs.

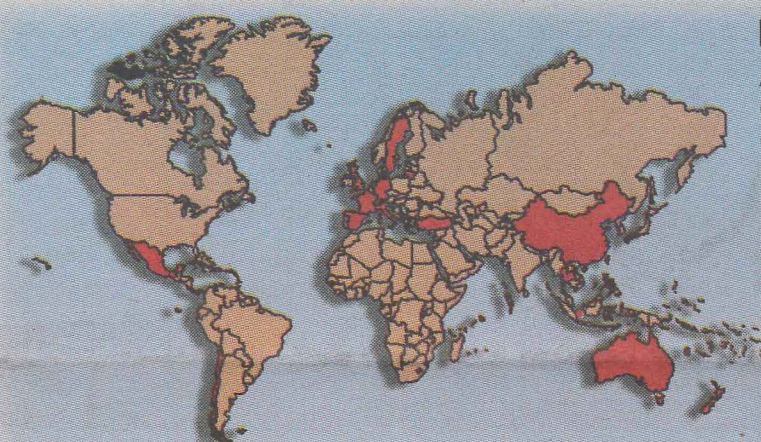
So what is the main difference between these programs? The exchange program allows students to pay their regular tuition to UW-Stout, not the host university.

The study abroad program requires students to pay program fees to the host university, not to UW-Stout. The short-term programs typically take place over summer or winter breaks and are lead by faculty from UW-Stout.

The fees for which the student is responsible may also vary between the programs. Short-term programs can be a great way to help students decide if they would like to study abroad for a full semester or year.

"We really want to help any

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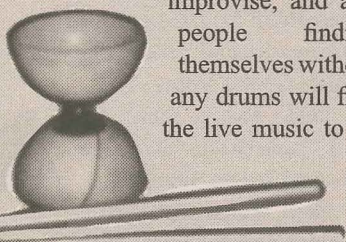
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the events. People find out by word of mouth and through e-mail lists.

This year the University of Wisconsin-Stout Drum Club held their first spin jam, which drew in enough people to be able to hold another one this week.

Once the night starts, circle leaders

create beats as they work their way around the circle, some lasting more than half an hour. Drummers are encouraged to improvise, and any people finding themselves without any drums will find the live music to be



an adequate substitute.

The entire jam runs for several hours, and the night ends with a final drum circle to celebrate the end of the jam.

DJ Spydro and DJ Smilze have both been spinning around Eau Claire for the last couple of years and will lean towards spinning deep house and progressive trance this Friday.

Break / iCare Village

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the trip was the amount of time spent waiting around to be told what to do or where to go. While all students had to be ready to work by 8 a.m., some didn't arrive to their job site until almost two hours later. Then, in order to get to the various Boys and Girl's Clubs on time, the teams had to leave not long after arriving at their site. It seemed that some days, more time was spent on a bus than working.

Another annoyance was the lack of tools available. While we were encouraged to bring our own along, most did not. On some sites, there were only a few

hammers for more than twenty people to use, and I felt that we could've done more if we had more tools.

UW-Stout students also had to sign a contract promising alcohol abstinence. Yet, as I looked around the beach, I saw other college students from Georgia, Wyoming, Idaho and Iowa drinking. In fact, the local Waveland police officers did nothing to prevent it. While I do not encourage underage consumption, I think it would've been acceptable for those of us of age to have a drink or two.

While many came down to help clean up or rebuild, some college students from across the

nation also came down to party. In fact, some of the bonfires got out of control and burned down numerous acres of national park and forestry. Also, the DJ beach party on Thursday night left the beach trashed with empty beer bottles scattered everywhere the next morning.

On St. Patrick's Day, after bus one's flat tire and bus two's battery problems, we were ready to head home, three hours behind schedule.

While at times during the trip I found myself questioning the organization of iCare Village, it definitely was worth giving up spring break.

Study

from page 7

body that wants to go abroad, to make it happen," said Farrah Fossum, a study abroad advisor for the OIE. "It's not always the destination, it's the experience."

Studying abroad can help students to gain knowledge about different countries and cultures. that can be helpful in work situations as well as social situations. Studying abroad enables students to expand their view of the world while adding experience to their resume and completing credits in their degree program.

All students that study abroad are required to attend a pre-departure orientation, which is also open to parents and guardians.

It is not necessary for students to know the language of the country they want to study in, though it can be helpful. Students earn credits for any class that they successfully complete abroad. Those credits are then transferred back to UW-Stout and accounted for, but they do not get calculated into your GPA.

Tara Heston, a retail merchandising and management student, participated in the Australia program through UW-Stout.

"Your views change; you look at the world and everything in a different way," said Heston.

Students that are interested in studying abroad should try to start planning at least a semester beforehand—sooner if possible.

"A good guideline is a year in advance if it's possible," said Smith.

The best time to think about studying abroad is during a student's sophomore year. Typically, students have more general courses that need to be completed during their sophomore year. Juniors and seniors can also study abroad, but it is sometimes more difficult to find courses to fit into their degree programs.

It is also important to think ahead in terms of paper work and funding. Students can contact

the OIE to get more information regarding the cost and requirements of specific programs.

The earlier students think about studying abroad, the more time they have to save up for their trip. Also, if financial aid will be required to help with funding, it is important to talk to them early enough so that all of the paperwork can be completed.

There is a variety of resources to help students fund their trip abroad, but students need to allow themselves time to look into these resources.

Each program has an application deadline. Typically, to study abroad for a fall semester, the deadline is March and for a spring semester the deadline is Oct. 1.

So, suppose you're interested in studying abroad but aren't sure where to begin.

"[Students] should come up and talk to us and also talk with their academic advisor or program director," said Smith.

"I think the more people you talk to can help you make a decision," said Vickie Kuester, associate director of International Education at UW-Stout.

Students can visit the international office and pick up information about the various programs available.

"If [students] just have a general question that's what we're here for," said Fossum.

Once a student has made a decision on a program, the student can set up an appointment to discuss the specifics. There is paperwork that needs to be completed and this is organized by the program. The OIE walks students through paperwork and is available to answer any questions students have regarding the application process.

The OIE has a variety of informational materials that are free to students. Anyone interested in studying abroad is encouraged to visit the OIE to get more information on programs.

More information is available at www.uwstout.edu/intl/programs_ind.html.

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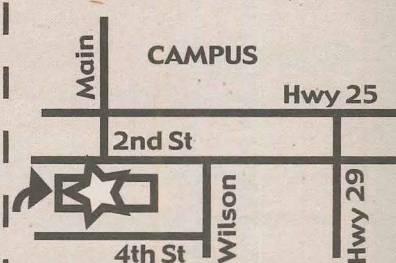
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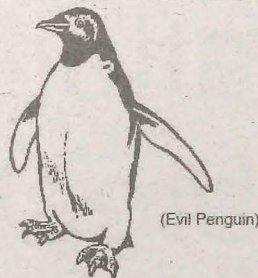
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1	1	\$290	\$290	n/a	n/a	Utilities included, parking	6
1	1	\$295	\$295	n/a	n/a	Nice location, incl. WSG & hot water, studio	8
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1	1	\$295	\$295	n/a	n/a	Great location, includes WSG & heat	S/EA
1	1	\$315	\$315	n/a	n/a	Includes all utilities, parking	6
1	1	\$325	\$325	n/a	n/a	Nice location, incl. WSG & hot water, studio	8
1	1	\$330	\$330	n/a	n/a	WSG+HW inc. storage, close to campus	6
1	1	\$345	\$345	n/a	n/a	Great location, includes WSG & heat, 1 parking	S/EA
1	1	\$335	\$335	n/a	n/a	Great location, utilities included, parking	8
1	1	\$340	\$340	n/a	n/a	WSG+HW inc. storage, close to campus	6
1	1	\$345	\$345	n/a	n/a	Great location, utilities included, parking	8
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1	1	\$350	\$350	n/a	n/a	Great location, utilities included, parking	8
1	1	\$360	\$360	n/a	n/a	Great location, utilities included, parking	8
1	1	\$375	\$375	n/a	n/a	Gas heat, upper duplex, great location	D
1	1	\$395	\$395	n/a	n/a	Great location, utilities included, parking	8
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2	1	\$395	\$198	n/a	n/a	Inc. WSG, washer dryer	4
2	1	\$395	\$198	n/a	n/a	nice location, includes heat WSG	4
2	1	\$395	\$198	\$495	\$248	Good location in duplex, parking	D
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3	1	\$600	\$200	n/a	n/a	Lrg. Rooms, gas heat, parking	D
3	1	\$600	\$200	\$765	\$255	Good location, parking, economical	4
3	1.5	\$660	\$220	n/a	n/a	Washer/dryer, good location, gas heat	D
3	1	\$675	\$225	n/a	n/a	Utilities included, parking	6
3	1	\$780	\$260	n/a	n/a	Inc. Utilities, W/D great location, very large	A
4	1	\$600	\$150	\$720	\$180	Washer/dryer excellent shape/lrg rooms	D

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6	4	\$820	\$205	\$970	\$243	WD good location, gas heat	D
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5	2	\$1,025	\$205	\$1,305	\$261	Detached garage, large, washer/dryer	H
5	2	\$1,000	\$200	\$1,280	\$256	Newer W/D, has everything	3
5	2	\$1,000	\$200	\$1,280	\$256	Newer W/D, has everything	3
5	2.5	\$1,125	\$225	\$1,405	\$281	Great location, W/D, large rooms, fenced yard	H
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5	2	\$1,200	\$240	\$1,477	\$289	Washer/dryer, parking, large bedrooms	D
6	2	\$1,050	\$175	\$1,330	\$222	Modern house very lrg. rooms, good location	H
6	2	\$1,170	\$195	\$1,450	\$242	Washer/dryer new carpet, very nice	H
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6	2	\$1,200	\$200	\$1,445	\$241	Newer unit, great location, washer/dryer	D
6	2	\$1,100	\$183	\$1,360	\$226	Location, washer/dryer Parking	D
7	2	\$1,190	\$170	\$1,415	\$202	Great location, washer/dryer	H
7	2	\$1,260	\$180	n/a	n/a	Near campus, shopping, garage and wash/dry	H
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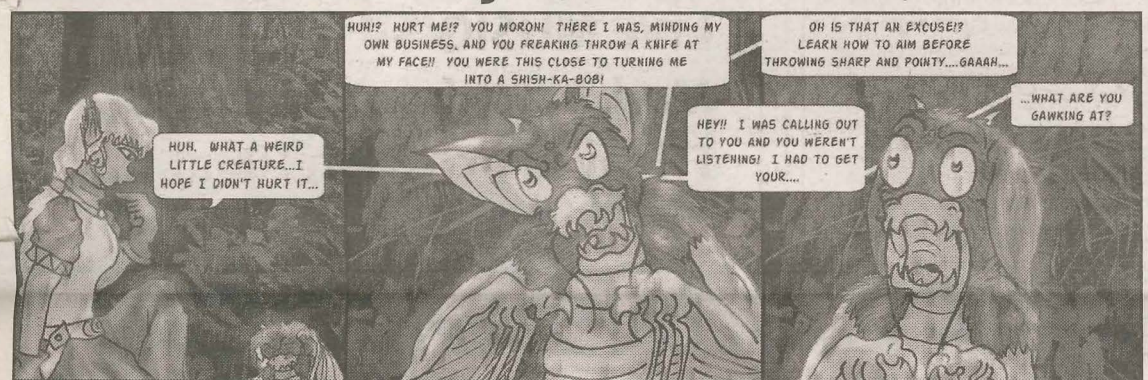
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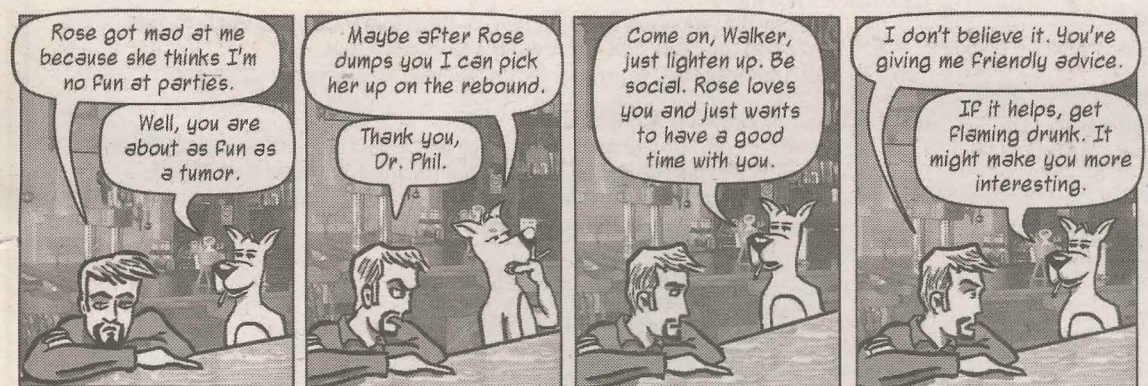
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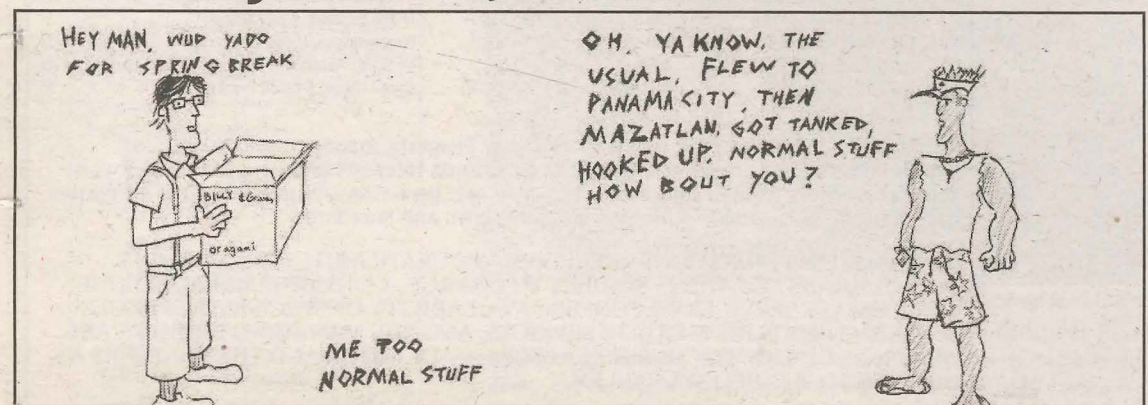
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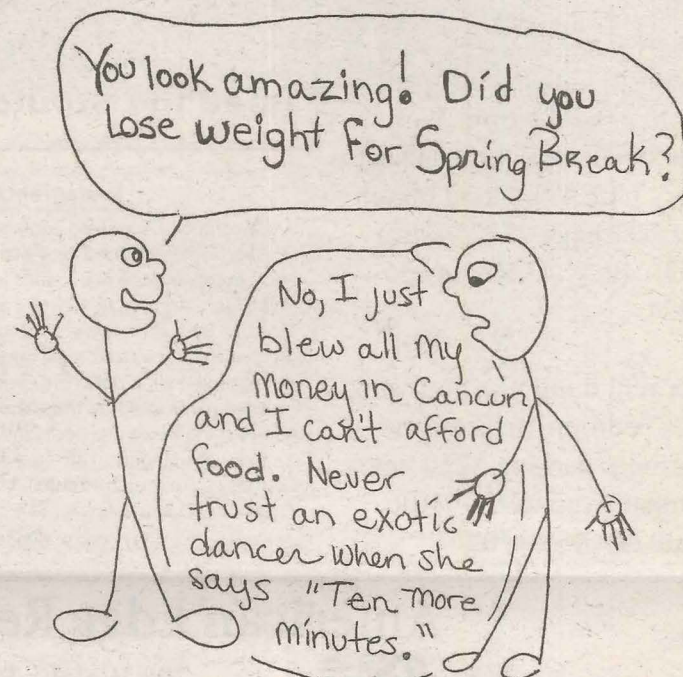


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STOUTONIA'S Athlete OF THE Week

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The Facts:

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Duoss was also named WIAC player of the year.

By Jessica Boe
Sports Editor

Gymnastics

Head coach Becky Beaulieu, will send Rhian Paulson and Ashley Timm to compete at the National Collegiate Gymnastics Association (NCGA) championships, Fri. March 24 at 6 p.m. and Sat. March 25 at 4 p.m. at the State University of New York-Brockport.

Softball

The Blue Devils traveled to Suny, Florida to play 14th ranked Cortland, winning 4-3. They left their annual spring break trip 3-7. They will be at the Coe College tournament Fri.

March 24 and Sat. March 25 in Cedar Rapids, Iowa. They will play Monmouth, Illinois College on Sun. March 26 while in Cedar Rapids at 10:45 a.m.

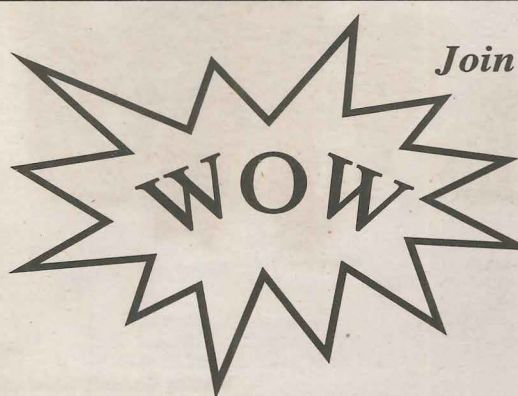
Baseball

The Blue Devils traveled to Belton, Seguin and San Antonio, Texas for their annual spring break trip. Senior John Englund pitched a four-hitter at San Antonio in a pair of games against Franklin and Marshall,

leaving 1-0 and 10-7 on Thurs. March 16. Coach Craig Walter will lead the team as they play at UW-LaCrosse Sat. April 1 at noon.

Men's Basketball

Jacob Nonemacher was selected to the All-West Region team by the National Association of Basketball Coaches (NBC) for his outstanding efforts on the hardwood this season.



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Blue Devil Scoreboard

Baseball (0-7)

The baseball team lost 10-7 against Franklin & Marshall on March 16.

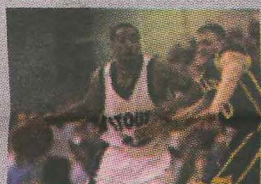
Next Game:
April 16 at UW-La Crosse



Men's Basketball (22-7)

The basketball team lost to Augustana 77-70.

First ever NCAA appearance for the Blue Devils.



Women's Basketball (22-8)

The women's basketball team lost to Randolph-Macon 80-71.

Second straight sweet 16 appearance and second straight WIAC title.



Softball (3-7)

The softball team was defeated by Simpson College on March 17.

Next Game:
March 25 at Coe College tournament



A Night for the Fans

By Jessica Boe
Sports Editor

On Wed. March 22, 2006, the University of Wisconsin-Stout held a fan appreciation for men's and women's basketball. The event was held in the Johnson Fieldhouse at 7 p.m.

The fan appreciation night held almost as much excitement as being at a Blue Devil game and included free pizza, popcorn, T-shirts and Gatorade. Fans also got an opportunity to meet players face-to-face and get autographs.

A free throw contest was also held, and the winner received a digital video recorder.

The UW-Stout cheer and stunt squad, dance team and band kept the night alive with their performances.

The night was kicked off by introducing the Blue Devil men's team, who was welcomed with a big cheer as they just came off one of the best seasons in the UW-Stout history books.

It was only the third team in school history the men achieved 20 wins. The team was the first in school history to receive a bid to the NCAA tournament, which meant they were also the first team to get a first round win in the tournament.

This season's team was also the first to host multiple Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Conference tournament games here at UW-Stout.

Head coach Ed Andrist spoke



The UW-Stout cheer and stunt team performed during the fan appreciation night. With the team performing stunts and the band playing, the atmosphere felt a lot like a game night at Johnson Fieldhouse.

of how this team has put itself above all the teams before it.

"This team will not be forgotten," said Andrist. "What they have accomplished this season will forever be set in stone."

The Lady Blue Devils also had a successful season, defending their WIAC tournament crown and picking up the regular season championship as well.



Head coach Mark Thomas thanks the fans for their loyal support during the fan appreciation night held on March 22.

Lady Blue Devil head coach Mark Thomas gave an emotional speech to fans talking about the success the team has had over the past two seasons.

"Eight of the nine teams in the conference picked us to win the conference this season," said Thomas. "I was the only one who didn't because I'm modest, but deep in my heart I felt we had what it took to win it."

Johnson Fieldhouse was filled with students, loyal fans and alumni. All were there to congratulate the fantastic efforts put forth by both teams this season.

While both coaches and players worked hard to get to the top, they took the time to thank the fans for their dedication and support this season.

"The atmosphere and crowd make UW-Stout one of the toughest

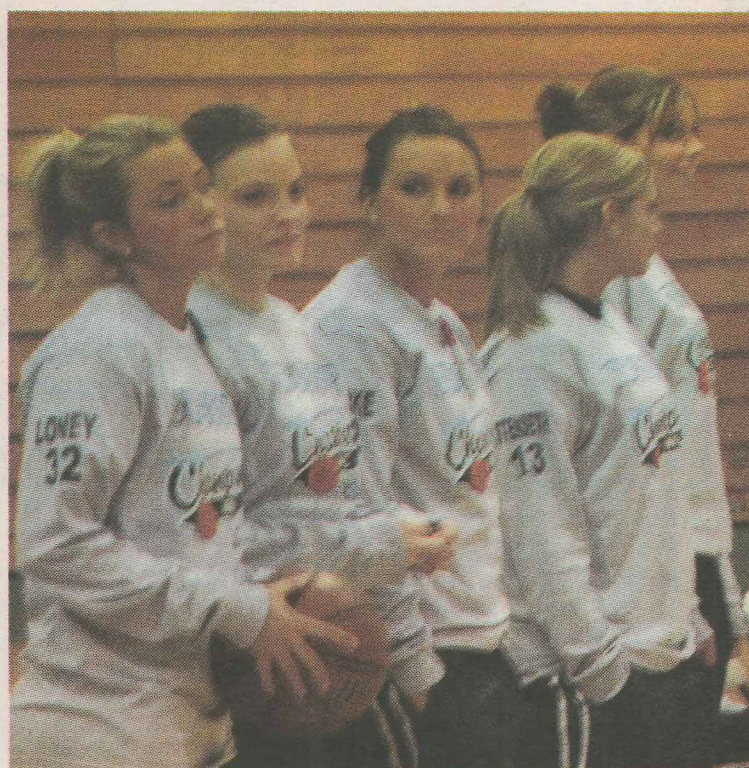
places to play in the conference," said Andrist.

While the event was a celebration to thank the fans, it was also a final farewell to the seniors on the Blue Devil basketball teams.

The seniors received a special round of applause and a thank you from their coaches and fans for a job well done over the past four years.

If you happened to miss this event, more fun is headed to Johnson Fieldhouse.

Don't miss next week's event, Recapalooza, on Mon. March 27, from 7 p.m.-midnight at the Johnson Fieldhouse. There will be fun games and prizes and admission is just \$2, or \$1 with a donation of a nonperishable food item. A donation also enters you in a drawing to win a 32" TV.



The Lady Blue Devils brought home their second straight conference title. The team was an early season favorite to win the conference.

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Candidates debate for SSA elections

By Michael Graney
News Writer

March 27 saw the Stout Student Association (SSA) debate for the officer elections for the 2006-2007 academic year. The candidates for the organizational affairs director, financial affairs director, legislative affairs director and the president of the SSA were presented.

The debate was open forum style with the candidates each getting two minutes to introduce themselves and two minutes to answer questions posed by the moderators (current SSA vice president Jake Hilber and director of financial affairs Quentin Lenz).

The candidates that started the debate were the ones running for organizational affairs director. The three candidates are Morgan K. Olson, Carl LoRusso and Andrew Mielke. Both Mielke and Olson are currently members of the SSA as student senators.

"I want everybody to feel that they can belong to a group," said Olson of her campaign.

She is campaigning on the basis that everyone should feel like they can belong on campus.

Mielke and LoRusso are putting more emphasis on the need to popularize the shared governance committees.

"Getting the word of what committees are doing on campus is important so more people are aware of what these com-

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Who Will Speak for you?

Legislative Affairs Candidates

Steven D. Anderson

Major: Hospitality, Restaurant & Tourism Management

"I intend to open the channels of communication between our government representatives and the UW-Stout student body."

Jordan Chabalowski

Major: Gen. Business Administration

"I hope to unite the student body in an effort to create a lasting sense of community that will extend beyond our stint here at UW-Stout."

Financial Affairs Candidates

Michael Lubke

Major: Manufacturing Engineering

"I have the knowledge and skills to be a fair and effective director, including running the budget process, being unbiased and the contingency process."

Elizabeth Stefan

Major: Food Systems And Technology

"Anyone can crunch the numbers and memorize the policies, I hope to relate to the people that are coming to me for help and focus on being fair and just."

Organizational Affairs Candidates

Carl LoRusso

Major: Gen. Business Administration

"I plan on working on recruitment and promoting the organizations and increasing awareness of the Shared Governance Committees."

Andrew Mielke

Major: Applied Mathematics

"I believe students should be able to voice their opinions and help to make the decisions that deal with their every day lives."

Morgan K. Olson

Major: Vocational Rehabilitation

"I have great organizational skills and want to help create new clubs at UW-Stout so someday every students will have a club of interest."

Presidential Candidates

Josh Crandall

Major: Gen. Business Administration

"My plans as president are to maintain and improve all aspects of student life here on campus. My biggest concern is that students are not nearly as familiar as they should be with career services."

Joshua E. Fox

Major: Service Management

"I have a strong working knowledge in campus politics, parliamentary procedure and Robert's Rules of Order. SSA has been a rewarding experience for me over the last year and I would like to take a step up."

mittees do," said Mielke. "This way, rather than just a select few people in SSA knowing what's going on, everyone does."

As for LoRusso, he felt the advertising would be best if done in print.

"I want to work on a pam-

phlet or something we can put out for students to see what these committees are, what they are about and get more students involved," said LoRusso.

The next candidates to speak were running for the financial affairs director posi-

tion. The candidates for this position are Elizabeth Stefan and Michael Lubke.

"I want to make these policies understandable to you guys: the clubs and the people who are using this money to make this a better school,"

said Stefan.

Lebke feels he is well qualified for his position because having served on the financial affairs committee for the past two years.

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UW System settles suit over Bible studies

By Lindsey Schudt
News Editor

After much controversy, the University of Wisconsin System has settled their case with Lance Steiger, a resident assistant at the University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire, who was banned from hosting Bible studies in the basement of his residence hall last November.

The UW System has agreed to pay \$2,500 in legal fees as well as a symbolic \$1 in damages to Steiger.

"We're pleased to have this matter resolved," said Kate Dixon, UW System spokeswoman.

Steiger filed suit against the UW System last November after officials at UW-Eau Claire

threatened to take disciplinary actions on him if he did not stop hosting the Bible studies.

"I don't know why they thought they could stop people from praying," said Tom Kincaid, an undecided freshman.

The officials brought about this action because of a policy existing both at UW-Eau Claire and UW-Madison that doesn't allow resident assistants to recruit, promote, or campaign for political or religious groups in their buildings.

Steiger requested and received legal help from the Arizona Christian legal firm called the Alliance Defense Fund.

The settlement came from Madison and was possibly

brought on by the UW System Board of Regents creating a new policy two weeks ago that allows resident assistants to host political or religious meetings in their rooms. The assistants cannot, however, pressure others to participate in the events. This policy replaced the old ones at UW-Eau Claire and UW-Madison.

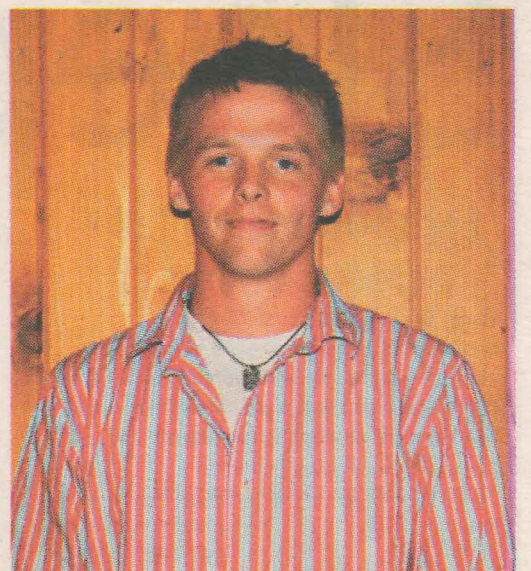
Steiger claimed that his rights to free speech and religious freedom were violated by the policy, and he named UW-Eau Claire officials, as well as the regents, responsible.

"The university came to the right conclusion that the First Amendment protects religious speech and that this student's rights had been violated," said

Kevin Theriot, a lawyer for Steiger.

The issue of being allowed to hold Bible studies in residence halls became a controversial issue that received much attention from religious groups and advocates for free speech throughout the state and nation.

The Stout Student Association (SSA) made a motion to support Steiger back in November when the incident occurred.



Source: www.uwec.edu

Steiger is still a resident advisor at UW-Eau Claire and will continue to hold Bible studies in his room.

University of Wisconsin Stout Police Department

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Police beat: 2/27/06-3/26/06

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Poss. of Drug Paraphernalia: 6
Using a Motor Vehicle Off Road: 1
False ID: 1
Theft: 1

No regular bang

Wednesday, March 8, a bright flash and loud bang were witnessed outside Oetting Hall. The area was checked but residual evidence could not be identified. From the description, the event did not seem like a conventional firecracker.

Seven years bad luck

Thursday, March 9, a student's vehicle parked in lot four had its side mirrors both broken off.

It's not the Fourth of July yet
Friday, March 10, firework usage was reported from the fourth floor of CKTO. Fireworks were shot off from the building but nobody could be identified or located in the hall.

Vandalists love cars

Friday, March 10, another vehicle located in lot four was also reported vandalized, the driver's side mirror had been kicked off and a scuff was on the side door. The student has no idea who could be responsible and that she was not having any trouble with anyone.

Lock your lockers

Saturday, March 11, items including a cell phone, Stout One card, drivers license and CD player were stolen from an unlocked locker at the Fieldhouse.

Another car, another vandal
Friday, March 17, a student reported that his car, while parked in lot four, had its passenger side mirror kicked completely off of the vehicle.

Stolen and found

Sunday, March 26, a locked vehicle located in lot 34 was stolen and found abandoned five miles south of the Devil's Punch Bowl in Menomonie. The owner was identified and was informed that the ignition had been tampered with. The student also identified some personal items missing. No suspects have been identified.

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SSA / debates

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"You have to be neutral towards everyone," said Lubke in regards to having a potential bias while distributing funding.

The next candidates to speak are applying for the position of legislative affairs director. Both candidates, Jordan Chabalowski and Steven D. Anderson, are current members of the SSA.

"I want to unite the student body towards some sort of common good," said Chabalowski.

He wants to do this while still acknowledging a lot of apathy for peers.

Despite the fact that this year there will not be a national presidential election, there will be congressional elections. Anderson knows that promoting awareness for these events will be one of the biggest parts of his position.

"Remaining politically neutral is the most important aspect of this position," said Anderson.

The final candidates to speak are running for president of the SSA. Two of the candi-

dates are SSA members, Joshua Fox and Chabalowski, while the third, Josh Crandall, is a newcomer to the SSA.

"I think the level of communication between students has something to be desired," said Chabalowski concerning what he feels is the biggest problem facing students.

Crandall has different goals if elected.

"I want to improve the involvement of career services with every student's academic career," said Crandall.

Fox's stance was for better advertising among not only students but also faculty and general staff.

"I'd like to better promote the SSA to students and faculty of UW-Stout," said Fox.

There were also two Apple iPod Nanos donated by HigherOne that were given away at the debate.

The election is going to be held over eScholar on April 5 from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m.

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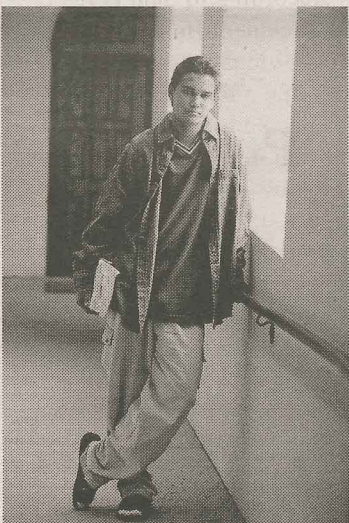
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Skipping the April Fool's issue



Staff Editorial The Stoutonia Staff

In case anyone has forgotten, April is fast approaching. And with the coming of this month, comes a tradition that is believed to have started in 1582: April Fool's Day.

Along with this, newspapers, including *The Stoutonia*, have come to develop their own tradition.

Every year, some newspapers create a special April Fool's issue, with made up stories and advertisements.

It is a chance for those

working for and putting the paper together to have some fun and pretty much make up whatever they want.

Of course, the best part of this fun is when people actually believe some of the things that they read.

The Stoutonia has participated in this tradition for a number of years. But this year, things are a little different.

If you haven't noticed by now, *The Stoutonia*, has decided not to run this section of "fake" news this year.

There were a number of reasons that were brought up, and when a vote was taken, it was a very close decision.

One of the reasons that was discussed was that it was unknown how many other students really appreci-

ated this issue, or found it very funny.

If no one is reading the articles, there isn't really any point in spending all the time of putting it all together.

Another of the main reasons for not doing this issue was money.

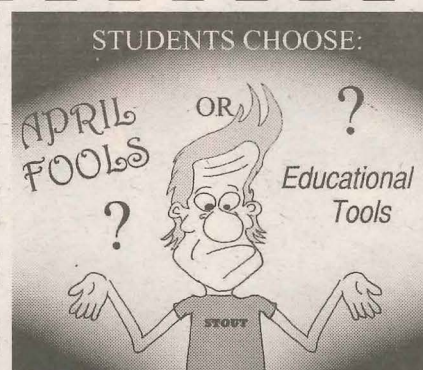
The Stoutonia raises money by selling ads, but also gets money from the student-segregated fees that are paid by all students.

Since students are the ones paying these fees, shouldn't they have at least some say in what their money is being spent on?

Well, here is your chance. *The Stoutonia* is in a way testing its readers. If you have comments about the choice not to run the April Fool's issue, let us know.

Use the space provided to let us know what you think or send comments to stoutonia@uwstout.edu.

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Democrats distance themselves from Feingold



Shawn Peter
Columnist

While most were enjoying spring break and the country was enjoying business as usual, an interesting event took place that presented a preview of the political landscape later this year or in 2008.

Over the weekend of March 11 and 12, I received an alert informing me that our very own U.S. Senator from Wisconsin was introducing a resolution to censure the President.

My initial thought was "This ought to be good." Indeed it was.

Sen. Feingold thought he could take advantage of low poll numbers when he unilaterally laid out his resolution which would censure President Bush.

According to Sen. Feingold, President Bush authorized an illegal spy program, misled the public about the existence and legality of that program and pushed for overly intrusive powers of the Patriot Act.

Worst of all, Sen. Feingold stressed that President Bush violated the constitution and disregarded the rights and freedoms for which our country was founded.

Since President Bush violated the trust of the American people with the establishment of the National Security Agency (NSA) and wiretap-

ping, Sen. Feingold wants to censure the president, to punish him for such shameful acts.

This would be entirely different if Democrats would support this measure. The Democratic Party of Wisconsin seems to support Feingold, but why not, it's their guy.

After all, I know a few of them that have "Impeach President Bush" bumper stickers.

Outside of Wisconsin, it's a different story.

A big Democratic U.S. Senator in neighboring Minnesota said the following: "It's an overreaching step by someone who is grandstanding and running for president at the expense of his own party and his own country."

"I think it's very dangerous territory for the democracy that we have in this country

to be playing with those kind of resolutions, without any consultations from his colleagues. I think it was irresponsible."

Other Democrats distanced themselves, calling the action immature.

Democrats could do much more useful tasks such as being united on the War on Terror, fixing the borders, maybe even fixing Social Security.

Censure or impeachment is not what this country needs. This action is a preview of more to come if they win Congress in the fall.

There is no real plan and no consistent agenda other than to falsely paint President Bush as the worst president in history and make their best attempt to remove him from office.

Handling the responsibility of freedom of speech



Michael Graney
Columnist

Recently, a man was sentenced to prison time in Austria for denying the Holocaust and riots have broken out over cartoons depicting the prophet Muhammad from a Danish newspaper.

Both of these seemingly disparate events have one important issue tied to them: freedom of speech.

Freedom of speech is a fascinating topic. How fully should one embrace it? When denied, it can cause totalitarian regimes to repress anything they disagree with.

When fully embraced, all forms have to be given equal protection and equal legitimacy. However, limitations have been placed on the idea of freedom of speech and will be again in free societies.

European countries have very strict policies in place regarding Nazi propaganda. Libraries have fought against the banning of books like "The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn."

This freedom of speech creates justifications for offensive acts (i.e. KKK rallies) that could have violent repercussions.

Riots are such a potential outcome. While the outcome could be violent, it isn't necessarily a bad thing.

Violence should only be a last resort, but when all other options are exhausted, it becomes necessary to act. Revolutions are an example of this need.

The trick about freedom of speech becomes a lesson in tact. If one is a tactful speaker, ideas can be presented, listened to, healthily debated and judged on their merits.

The flipside of being tactful is also being open to differing ideas while maintaining the ability to potentially concede shortcomings of your own. The previous examples point to a lack of tact.

Why does a lack of tact occur? It occurs when people don't care enough to treat others with respect and honesty. If you are going to hold a KKK rally, you could be tactful enough to not hold it on a local main street during Martin Luther King Jr. Day; hold it the next day instead.

If one is planning a political convention, one shouldn't hold it in a city on an anniversary

of a terrorist attack; go to a different city.

Maybe I think of things in too much of an idealistic light. Does humanity have the maturity to be able to employ something like freedom of speech in an appropriate way?

When given this power, everyone has a responsibility to use it. Freedom of speech is a great power. Can we all handle the great responsibility that comes with it?

I hope we can. It is a great responsibility to undertake, a responsibility this country's founding fathers thought their fellow citizens should never be denied.

These same citizens have a corresponding responsibility to not get overly drunk on the power of this tool. Just because we can doesn't mean we should.

Not an average robbery



What is it Worth?

WB: Every nickel and dime we paid.
JB: Ditto.

Source: www.rottentomatoes.com

Not many people are aware of this, but Spike Lee is an avid fan of classic horror films. Witness this still from "The Inside Man," in which Lee pays tribute to "The Invisible Man."



Jarrod Burns and William Butchee

Entertainment Writers

Spike Lee's "The Inside Man" is a heist movie with a few new tricks up its sleeve.

An intelligent bank robber (Clive Owen) with a perfect plan is robbing a bank, and this has unnaturally drawn the attention of the bank president (Christopher Plummer). A detective (Denzel Washington) that wouldn't normally get the chance is assigned to be the negotiator for the situation and a wicked woman with a lot of power and some sort of legal background is

hired to look after the interests of the bank president.

JB: With an all-star cast consisting of Denzel Washington, Clive Owen, Jodie Foster and Willem Dafoe, the film features excellent performances all around. Clive Owen plays one of his typical roles, but Denzel is seen in a slightly more humorous role than he is usually allowed.

WB: Most of the starring cast played roles that they aren't usually assigned: Foster is an uptight, snobbish, businesslike consultant and Dafoe is a seemingly impatient SWAT commander.

With most of the entire film taking place in and around the bank, dialogue carries the story along with the thrilling aspect of how Owen's character is going to pull off his perfect plan.

JB: The robbery plan devised

by Owen's character takes elements from previous heist films, but still kept me guessing and never seems unoriginal. The story is a break from director Spike Lee's usual style, but the directing is still characteristic of him.

The New York look of the film is fresh for a heist film like this that could have been marred by a lesser director trying to make another "Snatch."

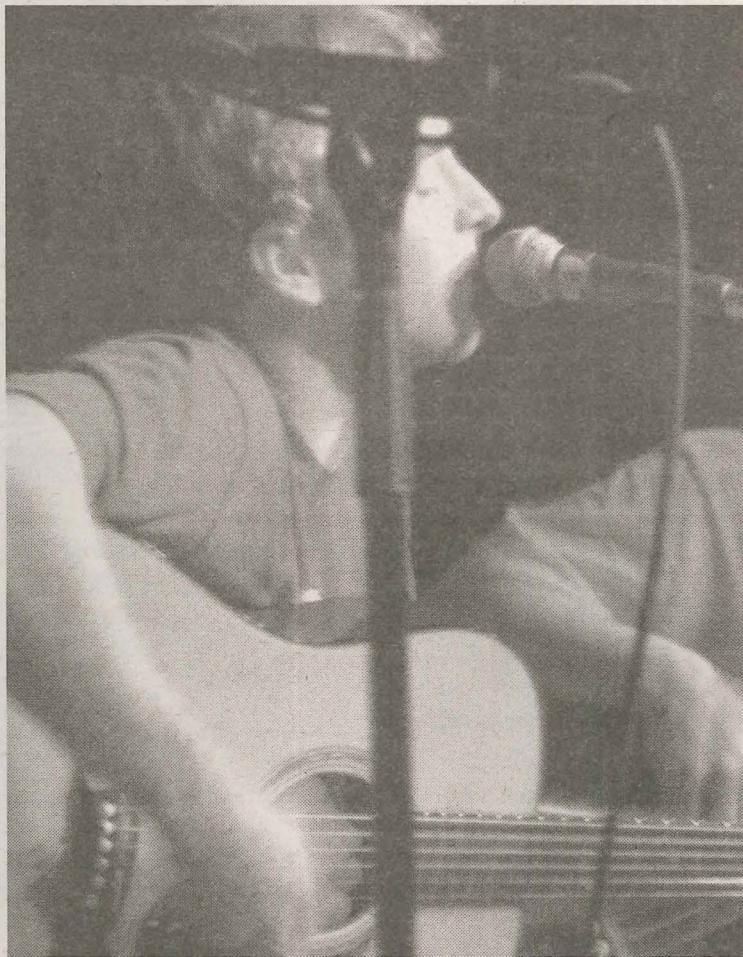
WB: The editing and musical choices kept the movie moving along without being too obvious or repetitive. The simple set location was realistic enough to be intriguing.

Unlike his previous films, Lee pulls off a mainstream movie with an A-list of stars that loses the concept of actually making you think while watching.

Even though it's only the end of March, this movie is easily the best thriller of year.

Better than advertised

Trampled By Turtles gives good show



Zack Kolden/Stoutonia

After opening act The Daredevil Christopher Wright properly warmed up the audience, UW-Stout was treated to Trampled By Turtles' trademark collection of punk, rock, pop and bluegrass.



Justin Emry

Entertainment Writer

Having a loyal fan base is perhaps the most important thing an independent musical group can have. Non-mainstream bands and musicians rely on positive word-of-mouth in order to gain a reputation and achieve success.

Prior to the arrival on campus of Trampled by Turtles, a buzz-worthy indie-bluegrass band from Duluth, their live album was unabashedly denounced in a Stoutonia CD review. This review was not well versed in Trampled by Turtles' musical genre.

The reviewer stated his opinion honestly and for that he must be commended. However, like most fans of this group, I couldn't help feeling outraged by his scathing review.

A local group, The Daredevil Christopher Wright, opened the March 23 show with a characteristically impressive display

of folk/pop talent. Their light-hearted blend of subtle ambience and pop perfection warmed up the audience for the show's main act.

Trampled by Turtles was urged to the stage by the already eager crowd. Many of the students in attendance were either loyal fans or were merely curious to see the band whose recent panning was the subject of so much controversy and criticism.

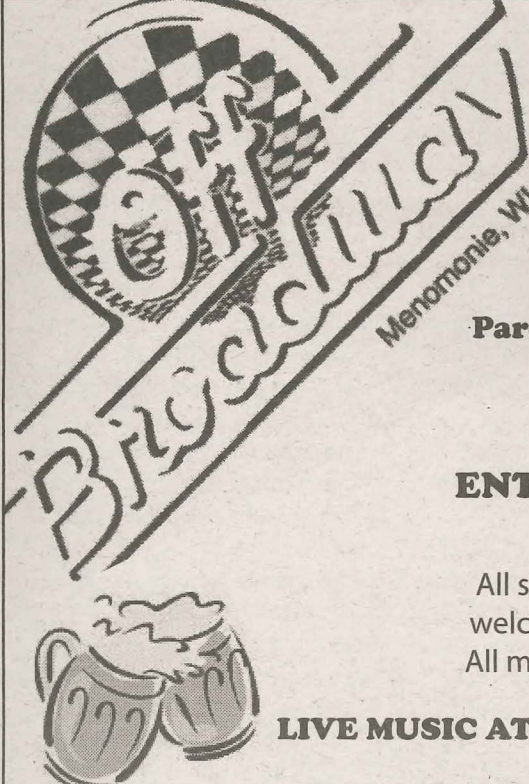
For those who aren't already familiar, Trampled by Turtles performs a collection of punk, rock, pop and bluegrass music.

Their music makes for a high-energy, fast paced, whiskey-drinking good time, and while the band itself plays sitting down, the audience stays on its feet.

Trampled by Turtles have gained a reputation for playing packed shows full of happy-go-lucky crowds who dance and jump around with the quick rhythm of TbT's warm-hearted music.

Since the show, I've heard more positive feedback about Trampled by Turtles than any other act that Blue Devil Productions has sponsored.

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Monday, April 3

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Thursday, April 6

>Campus Crusade for Christ,
Great Hall, 7:30 p.m., Free.

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"Loathing" worth loving



Ami Kriho

Entertainment Writer

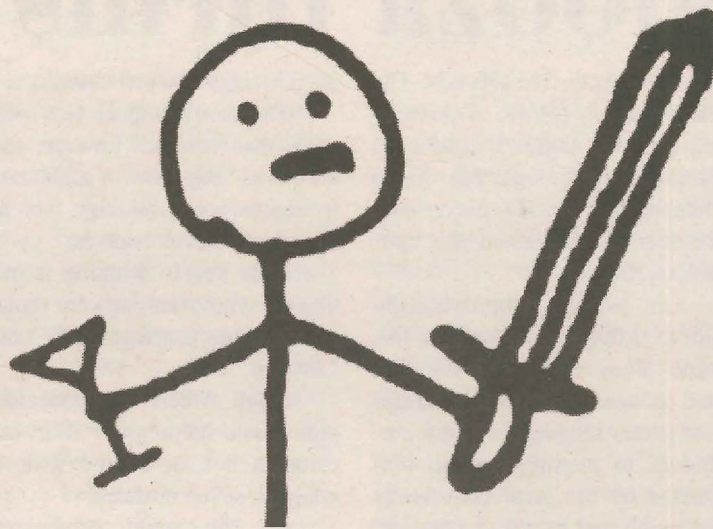
Stunning 3-D graphics, a vividly colorful world, enchanting characters, mesmerizing, fast-paced battle sequences and a rich orchestra of music.

"Kingdom of Loathing" (KoL) has absolutely none of these, but it's still a great game to play. It's a one of a kind comedy Web-based role-playing game that focuses on single-player gameplay.

The humor of KoL is rooted in pop culture, including references to Monty Python, Harry Potter and "Hitchhiker's Guide to the Galaxy" to name a few. The art of KoL centers on stick figures, which only adds to the comedic effect.

The game's general silliness and wackiness is made clear from the beginning when you choose your character's profession, which has Seal Clubber and Accordion Thief listed as options. The items, characters, locations and weapons ("cool whip") have been endowed with goofy names.

One of the best things about



Source: www.store.asymmetric.net

Editor's Note: Above is a still from "Kingdom of Loathing." I never thought I'd live to see stick figures enter my section, but here it is.

KoL is its variety and freedom. After completing the Toot Oriole's tests and a couple of preliminary quests from the Council of Loathing, the game really opens up. However, there's nothing to tie you down and no linear sequence dictating when to complete things. Once new areas are open, you're free to explore at will, even if you haven't finished a previous quest.

There are more than 1,000 items in the game, some of which can be combined. There's a Daily Dungeon that changes everyday and frequently updates to add to the already vast assortment of things to do. It's

almost confusing at times to decide what to do next.

As for the mechanics, it couldn't get simpler. The battles are turn-based, so you don't have to worry about getting pummeled while deciding how to finish off the enemy. Getting to new or previous areas is just a button-click away.

KoL is not without flaws, its biggest being its limit of 40 "adventures" per day. An adventure is usually either one battle or one exploration screen, which dwindles quickly. The adventures rollover or reset daily, but you can only save up to 200 adventures. Forty per day is barely

enough to get anything done, especially if you're in an area looking for a specific item. The good news about that is it curbs the game's addiction.

To counter this, eating food and drinking booze adds a small amount of adventures, but your character can only eat until full or drink until drunk, so the amount is limited. If your character becomes fully drunk, he or she loses all remaining adventures for the day.

Another minor annoyance is the nightly maintenance. It comes at approximately 9:30 p.m. every night, and interrupts your current game. So just as a warning, don't start playing the game at 9:28 p.m. Also, the fact that KoL isn't centered on meeting other players may be a turn-off to some gamers. There are no parties to form or other ways to adventure with other players.

These small nuisances are overturned by the game's biggest advantage: It's free of charge. All that's needed is an account on their Web site (<http://www.kingdomofloathing.com>), and the game is open for anyone. There are no fees to pay in order to "unlock" areas or get items necessary to complete the game.

KoL is easy to learn and hard to master, but it's huge, humorous and has something for everyone.

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2	1	115 West Main Street	\$380	\$190	\$500	\$250	Close to campus and downtown	3	6	2	115 17th Avenue West	\$1,100	\$183	\$1,360	\$226	Location, washer/dryer Parking	D
2	1	119 West Main Street #2	\$380	\$190	\$450	\$225	Close to campus and downtown, parking	3	7	2	220 12th Avenue West	\$1,190	\$170	\$1,415	\$202	Great location, washer/dryer	H
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3	1	119 West Main Street #3	\$525	\$175	\$675	\$225	Parking and convenient location, nice rooms	3									
3	1	208 13th Avenue West.	\$600	\$200	n/a	n/a	Lrg. Rooms, gas heat, parking	D									
3	1	921 Main Street #3	\$600	\$200	\$765	\$255	Good location, parking, economical	4									
3	1.5	414 14th Avenue West	\$660	\$220	n/a	n/a	Washer/dryer, good location, gas heat	D									
3	1	802 6th Avenue #4	\$675	\$225	n/a	n/a	Utilities included, parking	6									
3	1	147 1/2 Main Street #B	\$780	\$260	n/a	n/a	Inc. Utilities, W/D great location, very large	A									
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RECapalooza thrills

By Rachel Landwehr
Campus Writer

The night before advisement day, there was a plethora of events that students and the community could have taken part in. So how did people choose to spend their valuable time?

Some would say that it was all about the free stuff. The department of recreation held their annual RECapalooza this past Monday night.

Included in the festivities was a DJ, a belly flop contest, an X-box tournament, a giant inflatable obstacle course, a three point shooting contest, a Frisbee throw and many more events.

The three point shooting contest gave players the opportunity to win a new car. The players had to make three different

shots in twenty-five seconds. The tournament is filmed in three to four different angles to ensure the legitimacy of the outcome. Justin Kliensmith is the only player who has ever accomplished the task, back in 2001.

On average, approximately 700 to 1,000 people attend this event. They come for the free food (donated by Green Mill) and door prizes ranging from gift certificates to clothing, which was donated by the local community and purchased by the department of recreation.

With co-sponsors such as Waterfront, who sponsored the Xtreme wing eating contest, the night turned into a memorable one for those who attended.

Sarah Boy, a junior in dietetics, participated in the wing eating contest. She won the women's division and received the charcoal grill for eat-

ing 23 wings in seven minutes.

The men's winner was none other than Michael Lawson, also known as "Big Law," a sophomore in engineering technology, who ate 25 wings in seven minutes.

"The key to winning is putting the whole wing in your mouth and pulling the meat off," said Lawson.

Sarah Albers, an undecided junior who made good effort and came in not far behind with 17 wings in seven minutes.

As the night progressed, so did the prizes. A game called "Thinkfast" required students to answer fun trivia and some alcohol awareness questions. They had to compete for spots on the show, somewhat like the show "The Price is Right."

The night was a fun and eventful way for many students to get ready for advisement day.



Delectable recipes from under the sea

By Amanda Schroeder
Campus Writer

Do you miss the seafood that you had over spring break? Maybe you didn't get to go on spring break and wish that you could have had some fresh seafood. Well, don't worry. Here are a few seafood recipes that are quick and easy that you can whip up any time of the year.

There are many different types of seafood, but it is basically

classified as any sea animal that is suitable for eating. In many cases, fresh water fish are also classified as seafood.

The two main categories of seafood are finfish and shellfish. Shellfish are further classified into mollusks and crustaceans. Mollusks have soft bodies that are completely enclosed by a hard shell and include seafood like scallops, oysters and clams. Crustaceans

have hard segmented bodies and include shrimp, lobster and prawns.

Finfish can also be classified by their fat content. Fatty fish include herring, salmon, tuna and whitefish while lean fish include haddock, halibut,

but, perch and some trout.

Along with being easy to prepare, seafood is healthy. Seafood is high in top quality protein and vitamins and is low in fat. It also contains fish oils which help lower cholesterol and boost

the immune system.

"I used to hate seafood until I got a job in the restaurant industry and they made me try it, now I love seafood," said Katie Cantwell, a junior in graphic design.

Trout Maconnaise

For a freshwater seafood delight, try this trout maconnaise. This is great served with green beans and red potatoes or wild rice. For fresh farm raised trout, visit the Bullfrog Fish Farm located near Menomonie. For more information about the fish farm, visit www.eatmyfish.com. This recipe is courtesy of www.recipezaar.com.

Easy Shrimp Dip

Try this easy shrimp dip with crackers or fresh cut vegetables. Along with tasting great, this is a pretty inexpensive seafood dish.

1 pkg. cream cheese, softened
4 oz. frozen cooked mini shrimp, thawed
8 oz. store bought or homemade cocktail sauce

1. Spread softened cream cheese on a platter. Spread cocktail sauce over the cream cheese and top with the thawed shrimp.
2. Or, put block of cream cheese in a dish and pour cocktail sauce over the top. Top with the shrimp.

Cheesy Tuna Melts

This easy tuna melt is great for lunch or dinner. Serve with potato chips and a pickle spear. This recipe is adapted from a recipe from www.allrecipes.com

1 can, 6 oz. albacore tuna
1/3 cup chopped celery
1/4 cup chopped onion
2-3 Tbsp. mayonnaise
Salt and pepper to taste
1 tomato, sliced
4 slices of cheese
4 slices of wheat bread, toasted

1. Preheat the oven to broil.
2. Combine tuna, celery, onion, mayonnaise, salt and pepper. Spread onto two slices of the bread. Top with tomatoes and cheese.
3. Place the sandwiches in the oven without the tops on. Leave in oven until cheese is melted, about 3 minutes. Top with remaining slices of bread and enjoy!

4 trout fillets
20 small white onions, or one onion cut into chunks
1, 2 x mushrooms
2 Tbsp. vegetable oil
1/4 ts salt
1/4 ts pepper
1 Tbsp. chopped parsley
Juice of 1 lemon

1. Heat the vegetable oil in a nonstick skillet over medium heat.

2. Season fillets with salt and pepper

3. Add the trout, skin side down, to the hot oil and cook for about minute, or until the edges of the fillet start to look done and flip and cook for another minute or until done. If you wish to remove the skins, they can be peeled off just when the fillets are flipped.

4. Put the trout fillets on an oven safe platter and keep warm in a low oven

5. Place the onions, mushrooms, salt and pepper in the hot pan and sauté for 2 to 3 minutes or until vegetables are tender. Sprinkle with the chopped parsley and lemon juice.

6. Pour vegetable mixture over the trout and serve hot.

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If you could dis-invent anything, what would it be?



"McDonalds."
Sarah Allen
General Business
Freshman



"Hiccups."
Erin Wood
Interior Design
Junior

"Make-up, because people shouldn't compare themselves to others."

Mike Lybarger
Mfg Engineering
Sophomore



"Honda Civics and aluminum wings."
Tim Bergeson
Tech Ed
Senior



"Books more than 500 pages."
Paul Schulz
General Business
Freshman



"Cell phones."
Luke Van Hulle
Tech Ed
Junior

Rassbach Museum to show new collection



Katie Triphan
Campus Writer

I had the privilege last year of attending a sneak preview of a unique collection being donated to the University of Wisconsin-Stout section of the Russell J. Rassbach Museum by former Chancellor Robert Swanson.

Following a warm speech by Chancellor Swanson that was open to the general public in the Memorial Student Center, a select group headed over to the museum for refreshments and an opportunity to preview the collection.

There are a variety of items that are part of the collection on display including course outlines, tools, machines, benches, class projects and other items from when Chancellor Swanson taught in the woodworking department at the University of

Wisconsin-Stout before being appointed Chancellor in 1972.

Among some of the most unique items in the collection is a typewriter that was used while Swanson served as Chancellor at UW-Stout, and Swanson's undergraduate diploma, which he lettered himself.

The existence of the Rassbach Museum, located by Wakanda Park, is virtually unknown to many UW-Stout students. This is unfortunate, as the museum is a pleasant, and rare, experience; the quality of the exhibits and the sizeable new building housing the museum are accomplishments to be highly regarded in a town as small as Menomonie.

Even lesser known than the museum, however, are the two very active groups behind the mu-

seum that have recently decided to merge: The Dunn County Historical Society and the Stout Historical Association.

The Stout Historical Association (now a permanent committee of the Dunn County Historical Society) in particular should be of interest to students, as it seeks

to preserve the history of the educational institution that we all have in common.

The group composed of alumni and retired and current university personnel began meeting early in 2002 to discuss the possibility of opening a UW-Stout historical museum. The group began seeking non-profit status in 2003; they explored many options such as being a stand-alone organization.

However, it was eventually decided that a mutually beneficial relationship with the Dunn County Historical Society would best achieve their objective of maintaining the history of UW-Stout. As their Web site biography states, "Our goals as historical groups are nearly identical, though the SHA is more narrowly focused on the history of UW-Stout."

Now, SHA has its own section set aside in the Rassbach Museum, part of which is currently featuring Chancellor Swanson's collection. SHA is constantly working to collect artifacts related to UW-Stout's history to add to the growing collection at the museum.

Items they are looking for include old photographs, class projects, vintage tools, awards received, books, memorabilia of

celebrations, emblems, banners, written articles or any other artifact that you feel may be pertinent to UW-Stout's history.

In addition to Chancellor Swanson's recent donation, there are many other interesting exhibits on display in the UW-Stout section of the museum including vintage student's uniforms (which for many years female students were required to sew and wear themselves) and early machine metal and woodworking projects.

Other interesting displays include several walls of photographs depicting social events of the past, classrooms and aerial

views of the university as it developed from its early stages to what it is today.

I would encourage students to be aware of the Stout Historical Association and to take the time to learn more about our university's history by visiting the museum to have a look around.

The new collection is being officially opened to the public on April 8. Chancellor Swanson will give a speech at the event, and afterwards everyone is welcome to explore the museum. If you can't make this event, you can still visit the museum from noon until 4 p.m. Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays.



Search for The Stone

a treasure hunt on campus

Have you found it yet?

Clue #1

East of Broadway, south of main, a Spirit stone resides. Not in a dorm room, class or lab, it can be found outside. It's small black and shiny, with a spiral on one face. To win a prize just find it and then bring it back to The Place.

Schedule for clues

March 30 - Stoutonia
April 3 - Monday Muffin Cart
April 4 - A Student wearing a "Have you found it yet?" T-shirt
April 6 - Stoutonia
April 10 - Monday Muffin Cart
April 11 - A Student wearing a "Have you found it yet?" T-shirt

Prizes: Web cam, certificates to local businesses and restaurants
Check window display for specific prizes

The Place, United Methodist Campus Ministry, is sponsoring Search for the Stone, a treasure hunt here on campus. Clues will be posted in a window display in the Student Center and on our website (www.uwstout.edu/student/theplace/).

The Place is located above the Dance Connection in the Acoustic Café building. We meet at The Place for a Monday evening meal at 7:00 p.m. and the Gallery is open noon to 2:30 p.m. Monday through Friday.

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E-folio helps professors assess learning

By Renee Currington
Campus Editor

Students in majors that require portfolios can say "good-bye" to page protectors, extra printing costs and other end-of-semester hassles that come with assembling a paper-based portfolio.

The University of Wisconsin-Stout is in the process of piloting e-folio, a Web-based portfolio program that acts as a suppository for electronic coursework and an easy way for students to create a Web site for showing their work. It dually serves as a course assessment tool for instructors.

Students in majors such as technical communication, art and information technology have begun to register for e-folio, and many have the option of using this tool for their program portfolios this year.

"Eventually we would like [e-folio] to be college-wide," said Jean Haefner, a technology-based curriculum designer who has done a lot of work with the Web aspect of e-folio.

Technical communication majors were offered an e-folio workshop on advisement day. Julie Zeleznik, assistant English professor, is helping to facilitate the piloting process for tech. comm. freshmen.

On advisement day, Zeleznik introduced e-folio and talked

about the purpose and the benefits of e-folio, besides avoiding the costs and time put into making paper-based portfolios.

"Students can have something to show employers after they graduate," said Zeleznik.

In the past, students wanting to include multimedia projects in paper-based portfolios had to include printed samples of this work or include the files on a CD-rom. E-folio allows students to more effectively show multimedia work in its originally intended form.

Once a student is registered at www.folio21.com, the student can begin to upload files such as documents (.doc and .pdf), PowerPoint presentations (.ppt), images (.ai, .psd, .jpg, etc.), Macromedia Flash files (.swf), Web site files (.html) and other types of files that would be viewable by portfolio browsers.

Zeleznik emphasized the importance of entering descriptions of the files as they are uploaded.

"It's really easy to upload a bunch of documents [when you're a freshman]," said Zeleznik, "But

later when it comes time to put together a program portfolio or prepare a portfolio for an internship, you can go back into your archive and read important information about documents [you did a long time ago]," said Zeleznik.

Once all the files are uploaded, the student can choose from a finite list of page layouts and color schemes to generate a simple portfolio Web site. This process requires no knowledge of Web site development.

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While e-folio has many benefits for students, another very important purpose for this program is to allow instructors to assess their courses based on the work in students' portfolios. Descriptions and reflections of the work help instructors determine whether the course is achieving its goals or whether the curriculum needs to be changed.

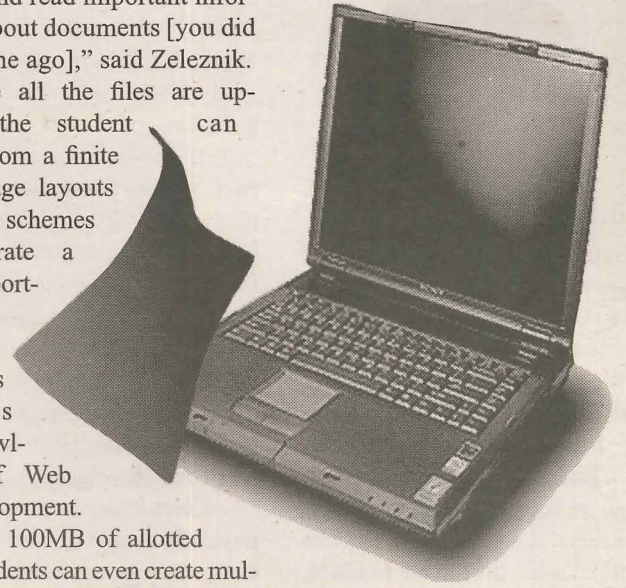
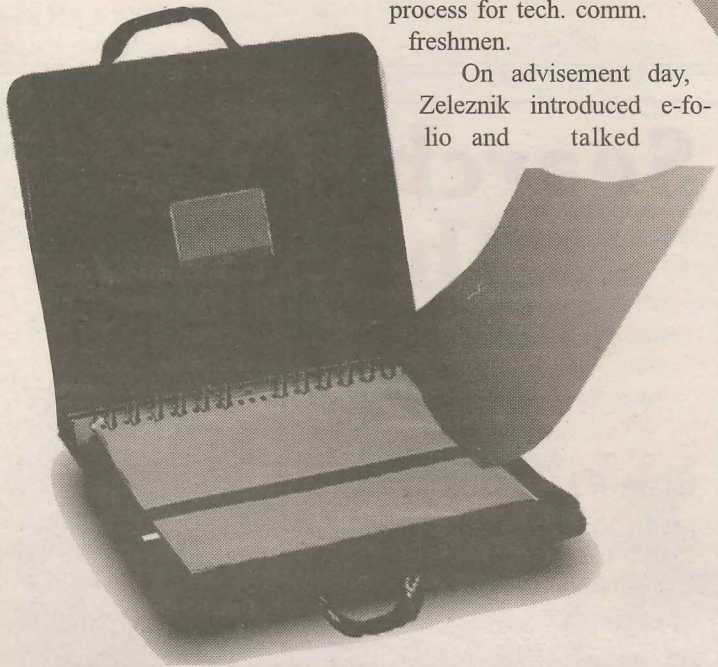
"Grades do not always show learning," said Jane Henderson, director of the Title III project, the source of funding for e-folio. "[We're looking at] how e-folio can show that learning has taken place."

Henderson said the goal of the portfolio program is to encourage students to relate their learning experiences in general educa-

tion and other courses they take as freshmen and sophomores to their core courses.

"The purpose of having general education is developing a more global view, and it allows for students to be more well-rounded," said Haefner. "[The goal is for students to] transfer skills across courses instead of compartmentalizing."

"E-folio is data collection to help students see how they have matured and progressed," said Henderson. "That's what college is all about."



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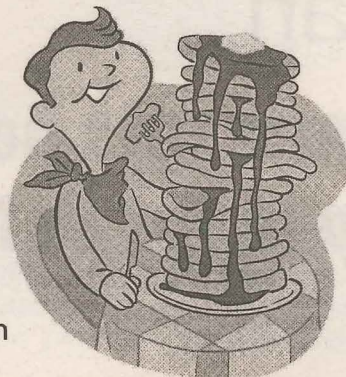
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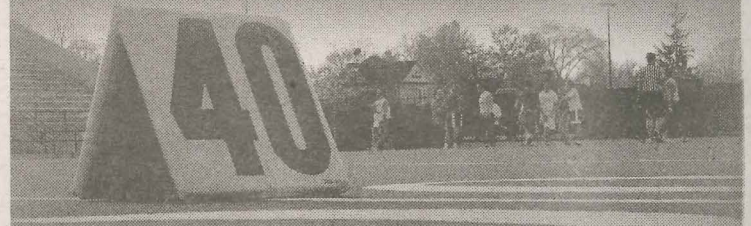
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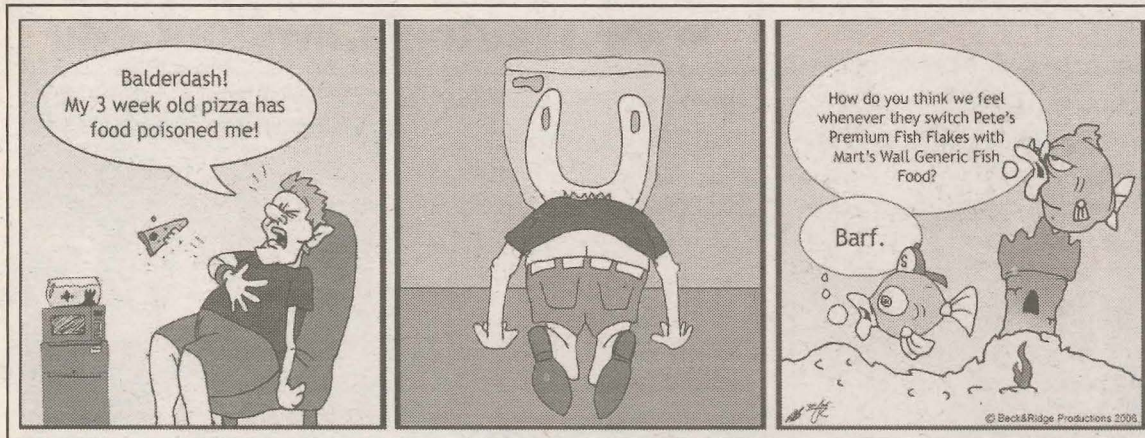
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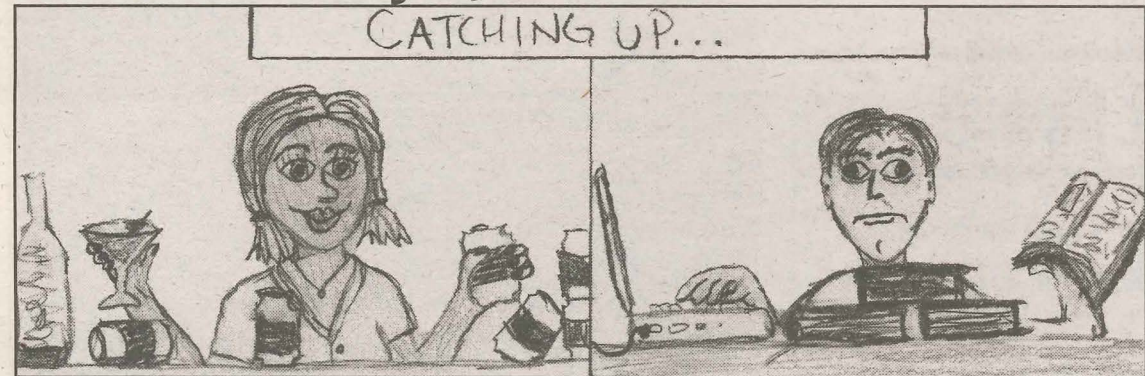
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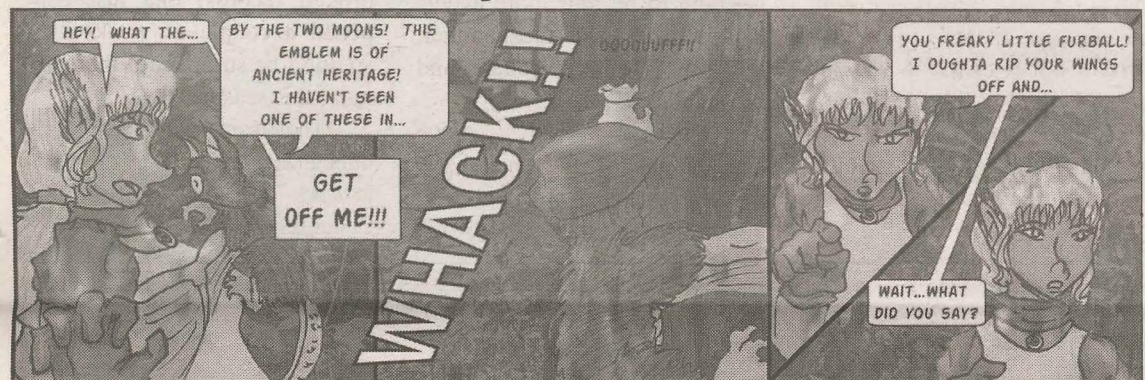
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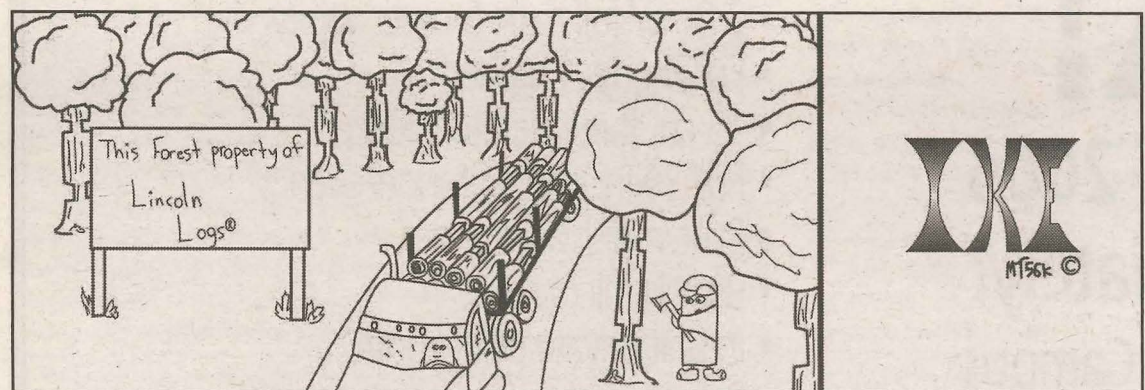
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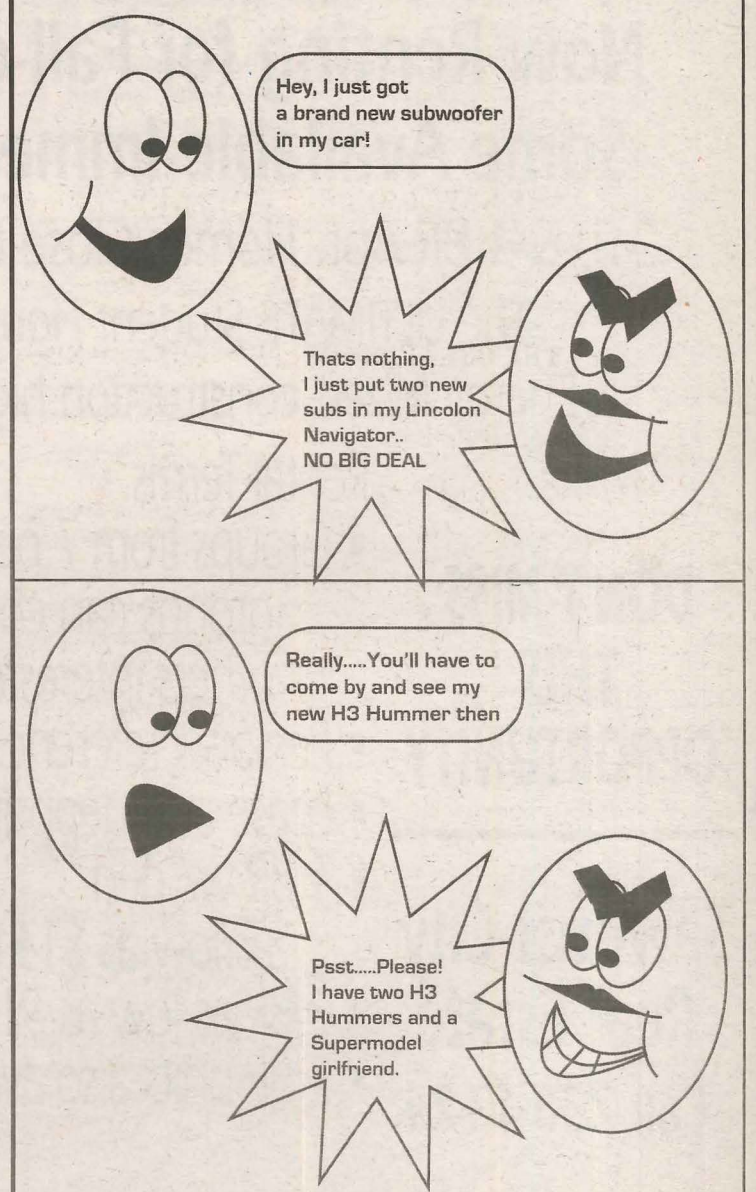
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by "Snipes"

The Case of the One-Upper.....



Track team flies out the gate

By Matt Edison
Sports Writer

The Blue Devil women's track team opened their season as they traveled to the University of Washington College, Missouri, this past Friday. The ladies took second overall at the meet out of seven teams.

Nikki Sims, a junior for the Blue Devils, took first in two events: the long jump and the triple jump. UW-Stout also took the four top spots in the triple jump this past weekend.

Other top finishers at the event were Carrie Peterson, who took first in the high jump and Katee Rosburg, with a win in the 1500 meter run.

On March 4, the women's 400x200 distance medley relay team broke UW-Stout's school record by three seconds and finished with a time of 12 minutes and 34.88 seconds.

The team included Stephanie Nichols, junior; Lindsey Enger, junior; Katee Rosburg, freshman and Christine Pineur, freshman.

This past indoor season, the lady Blue Devils finished seventh at the conference meet, but with a strong performance like this early on, ex-

pectations may be higher by the end of the season.

"I'm really impressed with the performance of the team so far this season and how they are coming together as one. The whole year they have been giving endless amounts of energy," said coach Joe Harlan.

This is Harlan's sixth year as the head coach of the Blue Devils. In 2005, Joe Harlan was awarded the U.S. Track Coaches Regional Women's Coach of the Year Award.

The women's team has been progressing week by week. This season the team is quite young, about half of the team are freshmen and sophomores.

The team captains that will be leading the pack this season are Camelle Meyer, senior; Leah Karaliunas, senior; and Sam Strunk, senior.

This team has been practicing continually since September and throughout the whole year in order to get where they are now.

In preparing for the upcoming season and to keep in shape, the women have lifted weights, worked on cardio building and improved their endurance skills.

After shining and having a lot of success, this young team has a lot of catching up to do.

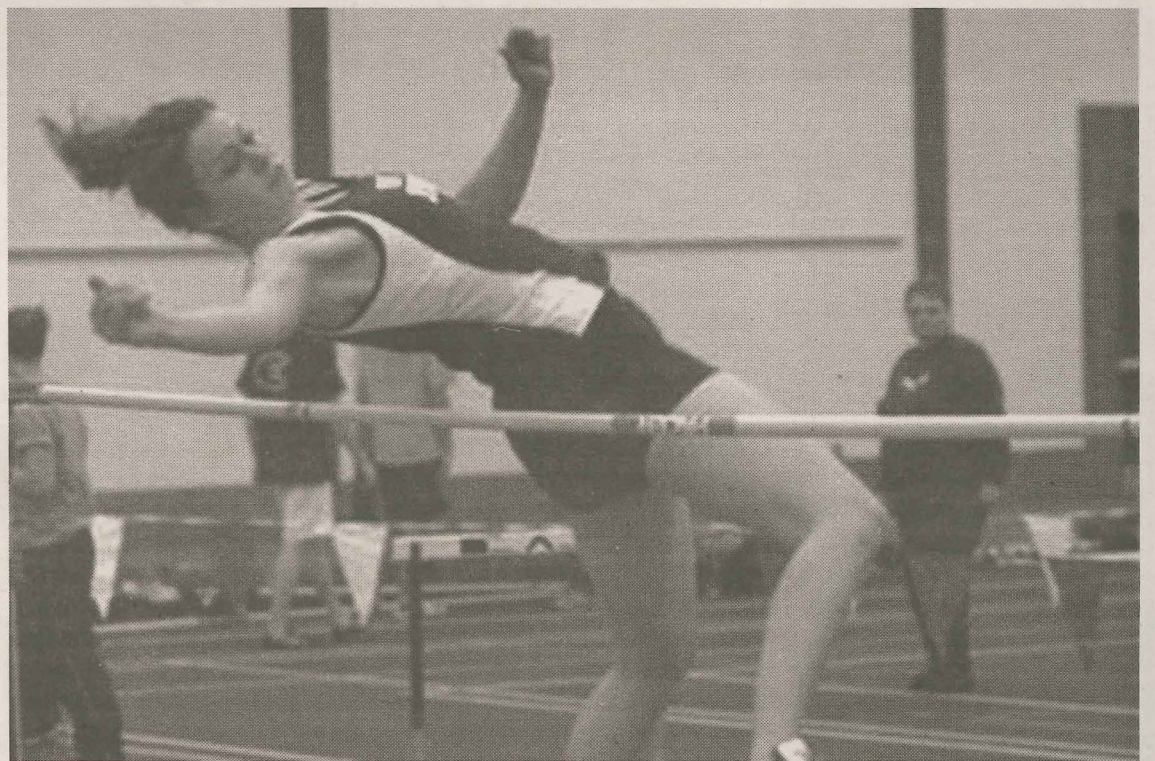


Photo Courtesy of Sports Information

Carrie Peterson was one of many Blue Devils to take first at the Washington University Twilite Meet. Peterson was first in the high jump with a leap of five feet two inches. UW-Stout placed second overall.

"We have a lot to look up to this year, but with the large amount of incoming freshmen and our team's experience with our success; we are still going to be a threat in the Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Conference," said Strunk.

With the season underway already, there are only five meets left including the

WIAC Championships.

The outdoor season has started, so that means that there is going to be four more events that will be held: the hammer, the 10K, the steeplechase and the javelin.

"There already have been a lot of personal bests by some individuals, and let's hope there continues to be

more," said Harlan.

Since Harlan started coaching in 2000, there have been 20 broken records; one just happened a couple of weeks ago, so don't be surprised if there are more this season.

The team will work hard throughout their entire season to reach their peak at the WIAC Championship on May 5 and 6.

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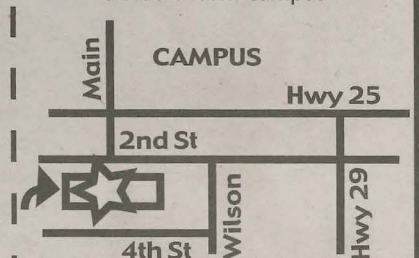
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Softball (3-7)

The softball team was defeated by Simpson College on March 17.

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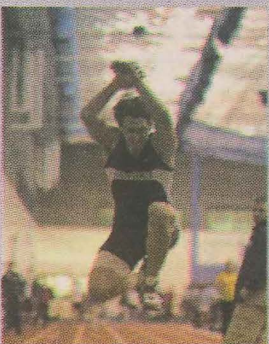
Women's Track & Field

The women's track & field team placed second at the Washington University Twilite Meet



Men's Track & Field

The men's track and field team will begin their season on April 8 at UW-River Falls



Adventure is Calling



Brad Bond/Alfresco Outing Club

The Alfresco Outing club took a 10 day trip to Utah and experienced world class bike and hiking trails. The club has been around since 1964 and continues to travel all over the nation. The Alfresco club has some canoeing and rafting trips planned in the months to come.

By Jessica Boe
Sports Editor

With warmer weather coming our way, many people are excited to get outside and breathe some fresh spring air.

The University of Wisconsin-Stout is home to 23 recreational sports clubs. Over which 500 students participate, making UW-Stout one of the most active sports club programs in the UW-System.

Stout Adventures is an enthusiastic club that offers amazing opportunities for students looking for a thrill.

The Stout Adventures indoor climbing facility has two 30 ft. climbing walls and is located in the Johnson Fieldhouse.

If you would like to test your skill, the cost is just \$3 for UW-Stout students and \$5 for the community.

Required equipment is available for rental for an additional fee. There are minimal fees for individual instruction, memberships and group rates are offered.

To make a reservation you may call or visit the office. Make sure you keep limber for your climb by participating in yoga for rock climbers at 7:15 p.m. on Tuesday, a freebie for members or additional cost for non-members.

Test your teamwork with friends, classmates or colleagues on the Adventure Challenge Course, located by the tennis courts on 5th Street and 18th avenue.

The ropes course allows people to work together while strengthening life skills such as communication. You may call or stop by the Stout Adventures office to make

an appointment.

If you are looking for some summer excitement, join Stout Adventures as they team up with St. Cloud University and travel to Alaska for an amazing summer sea kayak trip.

There will be an informational meeting on April 3 at 8:00 p.m. at the Memorial Student Center in the Northwoods room. The trip will take place on June 4- June 11 and will be led by instructors Tim Mertz and Ivan Bartha.

If you would like to join the Stout Adventures Club, visit them at 56 Sports & Fitness Center on 220 13th Ave., www.stoutadventures.uwstout.edu or call x5625 for more information.

And if you think this sounds like a blast, there is more in store with the Alfresco Outing Club.

This club offers rock climbing endeavors, camping, canoeing, whitewater rafting and a spring plunge.

"From the shores of the Gichagoomy to the banks of the Colorado we have it all covered," said club member Dan Voermans.

The Alfresco club returned from a 10 day trip to Moab, Utah. Alfresco members participated in world class mountain biking trails, such as Slick Rock, Poison Spider, the Porcupine Rim and A Masa Back trails.

The club also took day long hikes in Arcs National Park, Canyonlands National Park and the Mesas in and around the city of Moab.

There was a total of 13 men, two vans, 12 bikes, five tents, one broken bike trailer and a dislocated shoulder, but it was a great trip for those who went.

"Alfresco has better trips than a [Grateful] Dead show,"

said Scott Christoffel, a junior in Industrial Design.

The Alfresco club holds meetings on Wednesdays at 8

p.m. in the Cedarwood room located in the Memorial Student Center; or email them at www.alfresco@uwstout.edu.

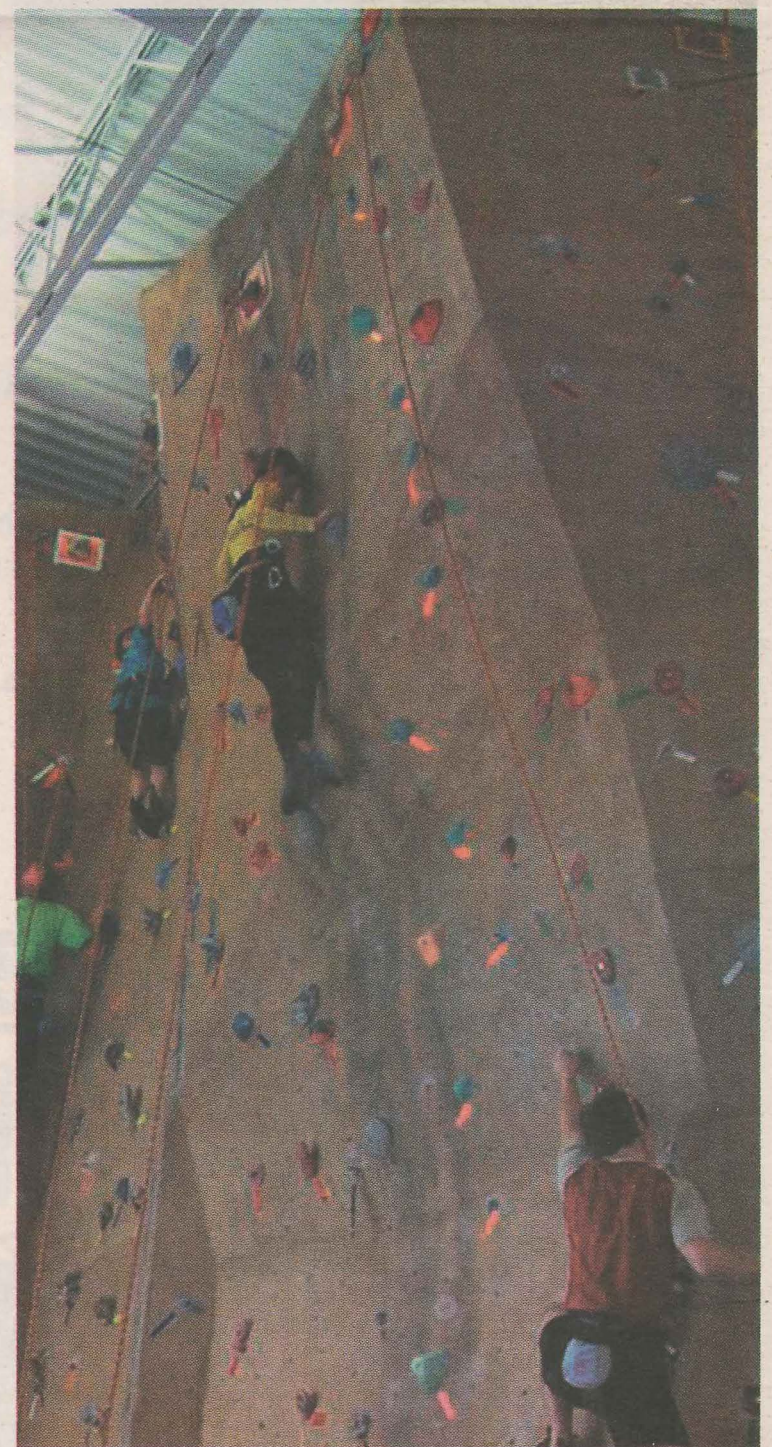


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Stout Adventures offers a wide variety of activities including the indoor rock wall located in Johnson Fieldhouse.

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“Murderball” star speaks at Stout

By Jarrod Burns
Entertainment Writer

Many meant to see the documentary, “Murderball,” when it came out last year. Thanks

to the efforts of the Arts and Lecture series at the University of Wisconsin-Stout as well as Blue Devil Productions (BDP), everyone on campus had the

opportunity to see the documentary in the Great Hall on Tuesday, April 2.

The showing of the documentary was followed by an

appearance from Mark Zupan, the film’s star.

Zupan is shown to be the most valuable player of the Olympic bronze metal winning Team USA for Quad-Rugby. This is likely due to Zupan being one of the least limited of the Quadriplegics on the wheelchair rugby team.

Zupan was chosen as the spokesman for the film and the team because of his attitude on and off the court.

The documentary informed viewers about the sport of quad-rugby and also about quadriplegics in general.

Zupan and the documentary answered questions about why some quadriplegics can move their limbs, how many of the players became impaired and

even how they have intimate relationships.

Zupan spoke about his life before the accident and how he forgave his friend whose drunk driving caused Zupan’s injury.

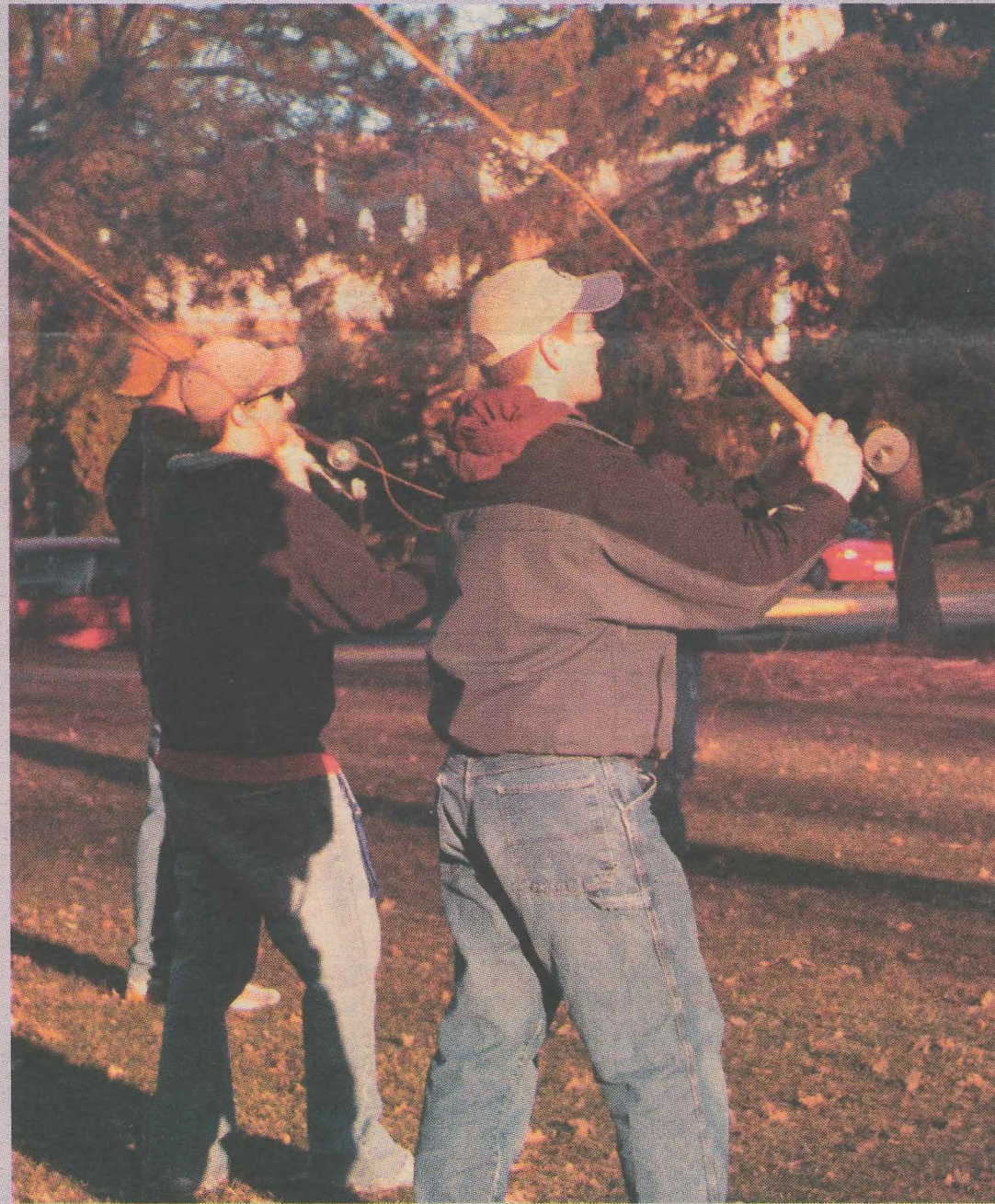
“Drinking and driving is still a stupid idea,” said Zupan.

His presence on stage was that of a friend telling a life story as opposed to a lecturer spitting out information.

“You have to make the best with what you have,” said Zupan.

“Murderball” chronicles the 12-time world champion U.S. team as they face off against rival Team Canada. A veteran from Team USA Joe Soares, angry about not making the cut for the 1996 team, moved on to coach Team Canada.

Who needs water to fish?



Marta Peters/Stoutonia

Many students have recently been seen on the sidewalks playing frisbee, barbequeing ... but fly fishing? Thanks to a class offered on campus, students are learning the correct way to catch a fish.

Milwaukee at UW-Stout

High school students are shown everything

By Kristie Wilson
News Writer

“I couldn’t figure out if we were having a campus preview day or if the high school got out early and the students were wandering around at Stout,” said Sarah Anderson, a junior in industrial design.

Many were wondering why there were some extra people around campus last Thursday and Friday. They may have come across as tour groups, but they were students from Milwaukee Public Schools (MPS).

The MPS students arrived on Thursday, March 30, at about 5:30 p.m. Provost Julie A. Furst-Bowe welcomed them.

They then went to a pizza party at the Terrace in the Memorial Student Center (MSC). There were also activities opened for students at the Recreation Center and Johnson Fieldhouse until about 7:30 p.m.

Their second day started

out at 8:00 a.m. with breakfast at the Terrace in MSC. It is there where they were organized into four groups for class demonstrations.

One of the groups had a food science demonstration while another was assigned a psychology demonstration.

The trip to campus was designed to create more of an interest in the University of Wisconsin-Stout for people who live in the Milwaukee area.

“I only had two people I knew come to school from Milwaukee,” said Mark Gerrald, a UW-Stout alumnus who graduated in 1998 with a degree in the psychology program.

Throughout the day students visited many different parts of the campus, including a tour and presentation of the art and design department in Applied Arts 201. The other part of the group was given a complete campus tour

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Higher Education Act passes; college costs rise

By Tracy Consi Dine
News Writer

Just this past December, Republicans passed the budget recognition that cut student aid by more than \$12 billion dollars. This bill was just an omen for college students as the Higher Education Act of 1965

was renewed (as it is every five years), and it seems that the bill proposed will do little to help make college more affordable for students.

College certainly isn’t getting any cheaper for students. Sixty-four percent of all students borrow money to pay for college and most students graduate

\$17,500 in debt. Tuition costs have risen more than 40 percent since 2001. Additionally, the cost of college keeps around 48 percent of qualified high school students from pursuing higher education at a four-year university and 22 percent don’t attend college at all.

“The high cost of college

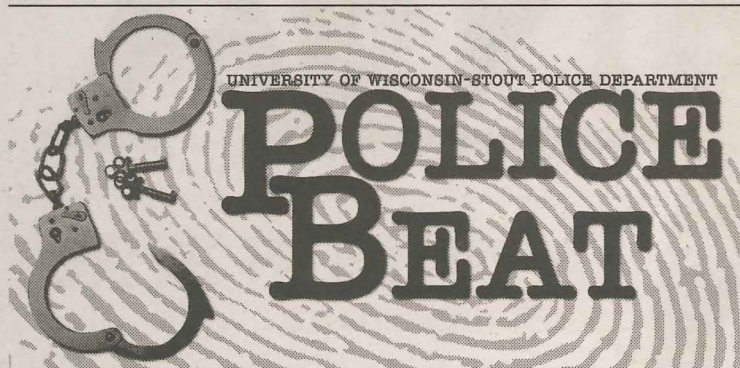
education is prohibiting many of our young people from following their dreams. We must support these students by helping make college more affordable, and this bill is a missed opportunity,” said House Democratic Leader Nancy Pelosi.

The bill fails to lower the cost of college loans with sky-

rocketing interest rates, and it freezes the maximum Pell Grant scholarships, which are \$200 above current levels.

“I think it’s terrible that the government has stopped investing in the education of future leaders of America,”

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Police Beat: 3/26/06-4/02/06

UAD 1st offense: 15

UAD 2nd offense: 1

Poss. of drug paraphernalia: 3

Possession of marijuana: 3

Having a concealed weapon: 1

Failure to wear seat belt: 1

Outdoor vandals

Saturday, April 1, in the vicinity of the Memorial Student Center and the Applied Arts Building, a large amount of vandalism occurred. Trash cans were tipped over, picnic tables overturned, smoking snuffers knocked over and at least one bike was damaged.

If at first you don't succeed...

Sunday, April 2, vandalism similar to that which occurred in the area of Applied Arts and the Memorial Student Center was repeated.

Broken mirror

Friday, March 31, a vehicle's passenger side mirror was smashed while it was parked in lot 4.

Tricky thieves

Thursday, March 30, a stereo CD player was removed from a locked vehicle that was parked in lot 4.

Lock your laptops

Wednesday, March 29, property that included a laptop was stolen from a student in Hansen Hall. Nobody was given permission to remove the items. A suspect and witnesses were identified.

Having too much fun

Monday, March 27, during Recapalooza, a student injured her nose on an inflated slide. EMS arrived and informed the student that her nose was probably broken and needed medical hospital treatment.

MHS /came to Stout

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Renee Currington/Stoutonia

The University of Wisconsin-Stout is trying to recruit students from the Milwaukee area to go to our school. Part of this plan was a tour of the school with many different demonstrations and activities.

by one of the guides.

The students also were able to meet in the Home Economics Building for demonstration classes, as well as participate in a career day activity in engineering and technology.

"It probably would have helped me decide on a college earlier if I could have interac-

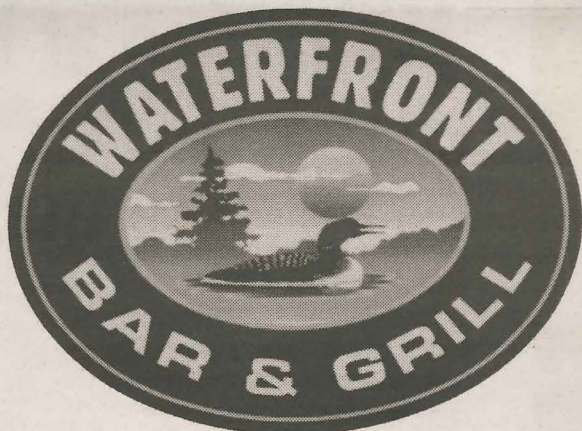
tively visited them during high school," said Anderson.

There were panel discussions presented by Multicultural Student Services, Admissions and the Financial Aid Office.

The day ended with a student panel discussion and closing remarks from Furst-Bowe followed by lunch.

All the MPS students and faculty left Milwaukee at 12:30 p.m., hoping to arrive back in Milwaukee by 6 p.m.

While half of the group was busy inside the buildings,



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said Spencer Elvebak, a freshman majoring in technical education.

Fortunately, Congressman Ron Kind, a member of the House of Education and the Workforce Committee, agrees and has been fighting for student support.

"This bill is a missed opportunity to make college more affordable and we should be making it easier, not harder, for students to attend college," said Kind.

Howard McKeon (Calif.), chairman of the House Education Committee, argues that the bill will strengthen government grants and could boost student aid by billions over the next 10 years at no

cost to taxpayers. The bill will reward colleges who use programs allowing students to receive loans directly from the government rather than banks.

"I think it sucks that the government wants to take more of our money when they aren't really helping us much with grants in the first place," said Adam Gruetzmacher, a freshman in studio art.

The proposed bill will also make it easier to transfer colleges with less hassle transferring credits. The American Association of Collegiate Registrars believes otherwise, commenting that the bill could be opening up colleges to fraud and abuse, as well as dilute the high standards that make American higher education the envy of the world.

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How is your money being spent?

By Lindsey Schultdt
News Editor

Were you here when Atmosphere came to the University of Wisconsin-Stout last semester? How about when MTV came with Rock the Vote last year? Or how about Morgan Spurlock speaking about his documentary, "Supersize Me"?

Chances are you have been to some type of entertainment while at UW-Stout and chances are even better that it was brought to you by Blue Devil Productions (BDP).

On Thursday, March 30, through Sunday, April 2, students from BDP went to the regional National Association of Campus Artists conference in Cedar Rapids, Iowa, in search of new talent to bring to UW-Stout for next year.

This is a conference that allows schools to find out which acts are being booked at other colleges. If schools come together and book the same acts within five to seven days of each other, the acts greatly reduce the price they are asking to be booked at.

Last year BDP saved thousands of dollars by booking events at this conference.

So where does BDP get the money to purchase the acts?

BDP receives one of the

biggest budgets of any UW-Stout organization by the Stout Student Association (SSA). This budget is funded by money that students pay in segregated fees every year. It's your money, so how is it being spent?

During the 2001-2002 school year, SSA allocated more than \$95,000 in funding to BDP. At this time, BDP was showcasing 46 events with 5,801 attendees for the school year.

In the 2004-2005 school year, BDP's budget had decreased \$5,000 to slightly more than \$90,000. Despite the decrease in funding, BDP showcased 56 events and had slightly over 10,000 attendees.

So where does the BDP get more acts for less money that draw in more of a crowd? The regional and national NACA conferences in which many agents and acts come to wheel and deal talent.

"I'd have to say my favorite part of the event was listening to all the entertaining comedians at the different showcases that we will get to bring to the rest of the campus," said Andy Mielke, a sophomore in applied math and computer science, as well as a member of BDP who went to NACA.

One of this year's highlighted artists was Dave Collier,



Kendalin Griffioen, Rachel Landwehr and Sarah Albers all took part in the regional NACA conference this past week. Sixteen students got to pick comedic acts for next year, a favorite being Aziz Ansari.

better known as Uncle Joey from "Full House" and another talent trying to get booked was Ruthie from the MTV show "The Real World."

All students who attended the conference went to educational sessions and spent most

of the day in an auditorium watching musical and comedic talent perform.

"The educational sessions that we attended were great," said Michael Lubke, a sophomore in manufacturing engineering and member of BDP that went to the NACA.

On the last day, everyone got together and the group decided which acts would be the best deals and draw the most people.

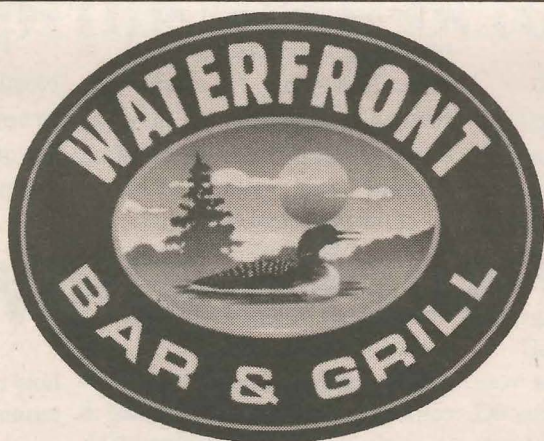
"After long hours and lots of hard work, BDP has some hilarious comedians booked for next year and some great singer/songwriter acts that will surely provide a rockin' good time for the UW-Stout campus," said Sarah Albers, an undecided

junior. Albers is also the executive director of BDP.

The students also got a chance to enter in a graphic design competition for their posters, that help to advertise the events. This year BDP brought home three first place awards.

"I can't be more proud of our designers," said Darrin Witucki, advisor to BDP. "Their competition was impressive, 89 schools from nine states and two Canadian Provinces."

"I really think it speaks to the talent of our designers and the quality of instruction they receive in the graphic design and multimedia design programs at UW-Stout."



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Staff Editorial
The Stoutonia Staff

Well, Matt Schubbe asked for it, and he got it. Warmer weather is finally here, for now anyway.

Many students look forward to this time of the year. The snow is gone, it's getting warmer and the sun is out.

Unfortunately, with the warmer weather come those annoying little gnats that just fly around in large groups.

Of course, we are in

Wisconsin, so who knows what is yet to come before it finally stays warm.

But, since it is warm now, there are more students outside. South Campus provides a number of outdoor activities. There are areas for grilling, playing volleyball or basketball and also disc golf.

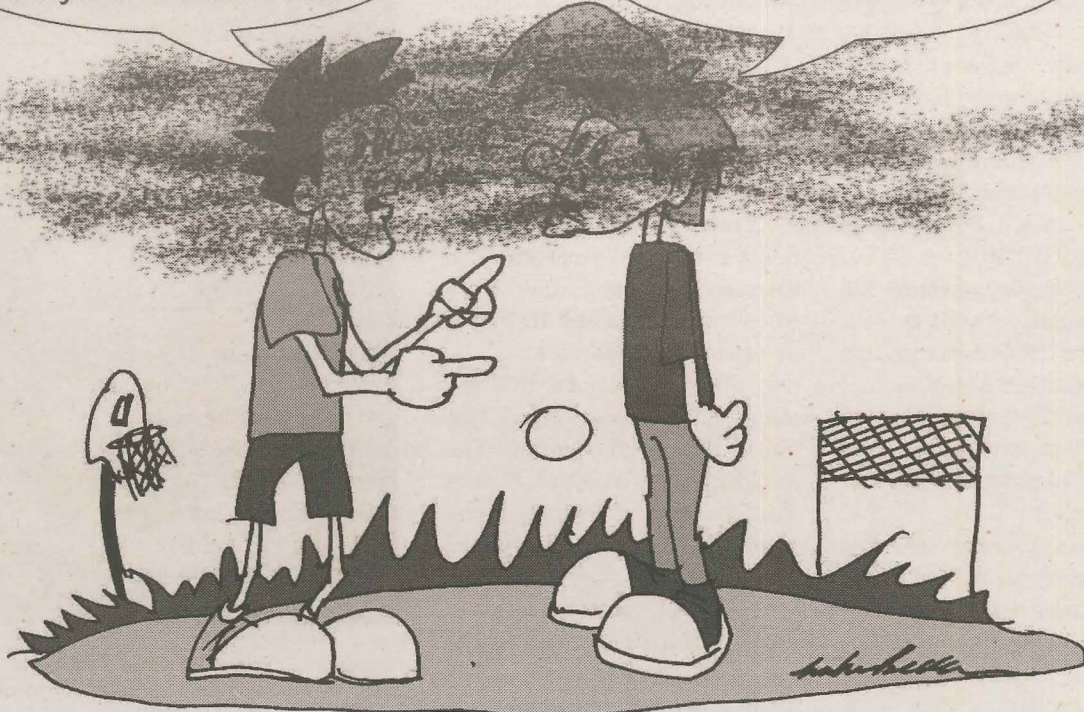
Those that live on North Campus, however, don't have many of these things.

Currently, there are not many green areas, which are good for tossing around a football, or just sitting outside enjoying the weather. There are also few volleyball or basketball courts.

So what are students that live on North Campus supposed to do? One idea was to have a shuttle service going from North Campus to South Campus. Although, if you are going to go play basketball anyway, you could probably walk.

Now that it's nice out - What do you wanna do? Volleyball or Basketball?

Well - I can't play anything through these gnats!



There are plans to provide more activities on North Campus, both indoors and outdoors. The North Campus Master Plan, started in 2002 and 2003, is expected to take 10-15 years.

According to the University of Wisconsin-Stout's Web site, this plan is expected to provide an "innovative community that address the changing

demands of college students of today and tomorrow."

Since South Campus has become "Freshmen City," North Campus is becoming a "move-up" community for juniors and seniors.

Included in this plan is the development of a residence hall mall area and recreation space. An outdoor student mall is planned to be built between Broadway and Second Street.

Also, expected is a recreational area with volleyball and basketball courts and green space. An "inner court" formed by the dorms will provide an area for student interaction and outdoor dining, dances, performances and community activities.

Until then, those on North Campus will just have to continue being bored, or get creative and find something to do on their own.

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Curious hacker seeks knowledge



Michael Graney
Columnist

I am a hacker. Now, before you run in fear and prepare to shun me or burn me at the stake, let me clarify what a hacker is.

A hacker is someone who has a curiosity about how technology works. A hacker has questions that usually aren't answered by normal means.

A hacker asks the most important questions of all, how and why something works, instead of just taking someone's word that it does.

A hacker is someone who seeks what all college students should be trying to seek: knowledge.

Knowledge can be exceedingly dangerous. However, this dangerous item is critical to our society. Knowledge can lead to uprisings, rebellions or destruction of the status quo.

This same item brings people to a better understanding of the universe, their role in society, how to be indepen-

dent, how to be peaceful and how to question, in short, it leads to a better understanding of how people continue to grow long after they reach physical maturity.

Not too long ago, if one opened the case of a computer they purchased, it would void the warranty.

There were reasons for this, and it led to the idea that a computer is a massive mystical box that does many things, but people don't want to know why or how things work inside this box.

Having worked in retail, I have seen the after affects of this lack of knowledge. People will come in asking about a hard drive. I will take them to where the hard drives are stored.

The customer will then get mad at me, because they were actually talking about the whole system unit, which a hard drive is one part of, and is not what they really wanted.

How did I learn about the components of a computer? I asked questions. I read what I can get my grubby hands on. I seek knowledge and then end up educating customers about what computers are and how they work. Through this process, I became a hacker.

I hope the next time they come in and ask for a hard drive, it is for an actual hard drive and not for the entire unit.

A hacker exhibits a trait that is occasionally frowned upon by the education system. They are curious. At times, especially during the early years, questions asked aren't given an attempt at an answer.

Discussions about the materials discussed should be fostered. I remember before college, questions that teacher didn't know the answer to were skipped. Now teachers can't know all the answers.

I know I probably give some of my professors unintended frustration from questions I ask. However, the great teachers will acknowledge their limitations and will try to find the answer to a question.

Good computer system administrators should welcome the discovering of computer system flaws by employees. They are only human and capable of mistakes. What I find scary is the inability to admit a mistake.

I found a very dangerous bug in a computer system for a company I worked for but I was scared to tell anyone. Too often, the person who finds a

hole in a system ends up getting terminated.

I can't afford that, but at the same time, I didn't want someone else to discover this problem and use it for malicious purposes.

It is all because I asked questions like how and why the system works. I found a weakness, and only through assurances by my manager that I would not lose my job did I mention the problem and get it fixed.

The point of this is curiosity is something to be valued and cherished in our society. Our founding fathers asked questions about how and why.

They created a government with built-in flexibility to be able to ask, debate and answer questions that may arise in the future. Our founding fathers debated, asked why and, in many ways, are like modern day hackers.

In my own way, I continue the traditions begun with the Constitution of the United States. I ask questions, play around with technology and learn.

I am curious and that is a trait which we need to encourage in our society, not demean. In short, I am a hacker.



Letters to the Editor

If you wish to submit a Letter to the Editor, letters can be sent to stoutonia@uwstout.edu. Letters must be no longer than 250 words and must be submitted by 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday in order to run in that week's issue.

Democratic Party scared

Unlike Shawn Peters, I don't receive political "alerts" chirping information; I find information on my own.

As much as I can fathom, the constitutional duty of Congress is to oversee the Executive Branch. When the power of oversight is abdicated and one man has absolute rule, a dictatorship forms. Enter: King George.

Like many in Congress, the Democratic Party is scared to speak out against the administration; they are oxymoronically labeled by Conservatives as unpatriotic terrorists. Enter: Senator Feingold (vertebral column included).

Risking political fallout, he decided to solely traverse government. He brought to voice the Constitution and the laws created thereafter, which outline presidential powers and civil liberties (which Bush ignores). Feingold reminded congress that, "A

little over 30 years ago, a president who broke the law was held to account by a bipartisan congressional investigation..." Exit: Richard Nixon.

John Dean, who was critical in the removal of a particular Dick from office and has spent three decades studying presidents, appeared with Feingold before the senate to discuss the infringement(s). His views are: "Today, it is very obvious that history is repeating itself. It is for that reason I have crossed the country to visit with you, and that I hope that the collective wisdom of this committee will prevail, and you will not place the president above the law by inaction."

Maybe Shawn is right. Democrats need to forget censure or impeachment, instead let's grant King George absolute power! I suggest Shawn sticks to writing about choo-choo trains instead of defending a corrupt regime.

Chad Narva



Shawn Peter

Columnist

The large cow population numbering approximately 1.2 million coupled with the large production of corn in Wisconsin can be used to our advantage.

It is no secret that corn can be brewed into ethanol, and cow waste can be converted into methanol.

I've been doing a lot of research on this subject because of my interest in alternative fuels. Wisconsin could become energy self-sufficient very soon, given advances in technology and the right motivation.

Methanol digesters are gaining popularity across the state among farmers because of the enormous benefits.

The great thing about this process is that the capital needed is about \$10,000-\$50,000 depending on the need.

Using one of these digesters, a farmer could convert cow waste into useful fuel to heat their homes while providing

safer fertilizer, cow bedding or insulation products.

Also, methanol can be used to make biodiesel. Why is this important?

Biodiesel can be used in diesel engines without special conversion.

This is huge because it could be used in tractors, trucks and train locomotives lessening our dependence on fossil fuel. Not to mention, biodiesel burns cleaner, cleans the engine and it can be produced relatively inexpensively—approximately 60-70 cents per gallon.

Ethanol is another alternative fuel that can be produced in Wisconsin from grains and corn, which are plentiful in much of the state. It's a clear, colorless liquid with a characteristic, agreeable odor and taste (it's an active ingredient in alcoholic drinks).

Ethanol is a controversial topic because there are great benefits, but there are many negatives.

Government subsidies and mandates have been needed to encourage mass production and use. Some have said that it lowers fuel efficiency, increasing transportation costs.

Scientific studies have been produced to analyze the impacts

one way or the other. Here are just a few of the known benefits.

It has been proven that ethanol reduces carbon monoxide levels 25-30 percent, nitrogen oxide levels by 20 percent, carbon dioxide by 100 percent, and emissions of cancer-causing benzene and butadiene by more than 50 percent, plus it's biodegradable.

It's relatively easy to produce; it can be done in a garage or backyard by fermenting and then distilling starch and sugar crops, which include maize (corn), sorghum, potatoes, wheat, sugar-cane, cornstalks, fruit and vegetable waste.

President Bush laid out a clear vision in his state of the union to become energy independent by 2025.

We can meet that goal in Wisconsin well before the deadline because we have the resources. Look for this as an issue in the 2006 elections.

Paul Nelson, a Republican candidate for 3rd District U.S. Congress, has made alternative fuels, including both ethanol and methanol, a major campaign issue. As the price of energy increases and tensions overseas continue to rise, we must embrace those solutions and work to implement them.

Time to bring back Ecto Cooler



Matt Schubbe

Columnist

Recently, my friends and I were having a discussion about fads and other such trends we enjoyed in our younger days.

We discussed brightly colored polo shirts (which ironically are coming back) and Zubaz (which will never leave our hearts), and we eventually moved on to food and drinks we wished were still around.

This brought us to what many consider to be the holy grail of juice boxes, the end all, be all of delicious cardboarded juices: Ecto Cooler. Mmmmm.

I can remember it being quite the drink of choice for lunchroom exchanges. You'd trade anything for them, even Ninja Turtles SpaghettiOs.

If you tried any other drink at the same time, you'd spit it onto the ground; you would, like bitter orange juice drunk too soon after brushing your teeth.

This got me thinking recently about a couple of things: One, I have to get my hands on some Ecto Cooler. Two, how come they don't frigging make Ecto Cooler anymore?

To my recollection, the

stuff was pretty much liquid gold in the hands of children all across the country.

Why mess with something that worked so well? Well, that led me to another train of thought: Maybe there was some special ingredient in Ecto Cooler that doesn't exist anymore, or is hard to find, and that's why that wonderful green drink is now absent in our lives.

But what? What is Ecto Cooler made of, anyway? Obviously there's water and sugar and ascorbic acid and all that, but what puts the "Ecto" in Ecto Cooler?

Well, let's look at the root word: Ecto. Ghosts are made



of Ectoplasm, and since Ectoplasm is a reference to what is essentially ghost blood, then Ecto Cooler must translate roughly to "Ghost Juice." At least that's how I see things.

Obviously, Ectoplasm is reasonably hard to come by, so that must indicate that there must be some sort of Ectoplasmic drought occurring that has caused the halt on Ecto Cooler throughout the nation.

But why the drought? I have a theory, so listen up. Do you remember that rash of ghost-hunting TV shows during the late '90s and early '00s?

They never seemed to catch anything on those shows, but we never got to see what happened OFF camera did we?

I think that these professional TV ghost hunters caught most of the existing ghosts off camera, and subsequently either experimented on them or turned them into lava lamps or something.

It doesn't matter, really, save for the fact that ghosts have been on the brink of extinction ever since, hence NO MORE ECTO COOLER.

Whew, what a mental strain that was. Now the question is what can we, as concerned citizens, do about it?

To be honest, I really don't know. I'm a pretty big baby when it comes to scary stuff, so researching this is not going to fall to me, that's for sure.

If we could only find a way to synthetically produce Ectoplasm, we'd be in business. Does anyone have any connections to NASA? MENSA? Help me get my Ecto Cooler fix!

Growing like silly putty



Lindsey Shuldt

News Editor

My body is merely a bigger version of silly putty. The kind you can stretch in different directions, pop the bubbles within and then let go of only to watch it return to it's normal egg like shape.

First there were the folks. The pressure to graduate in four years, find a successful job and be well onto my way of finding a husband and procreating; they molded me into a slightly distorted version of what I am.

When I let go of what they wanted for my life, I regained my original egg shaped self. I grew up a little.

Then they passed me off to my college parents: my advisors.

The advisors and all of the organizations I was in started to horn into my school schedule.

Filling up every spare moment with involvement, I could feel myself being over extended and spreading thin.

Eventually the elasticity of who I am overcame the forces pulling on my edges. I realized I don't have to do it all. I grew up a little.

But once again, the putty was passed onto my aunts and uncles of college: my professors.

The stretching begins as I'm advised never to work a job while in school. I'm told if I don't do extremely well in school, I'll never survive outside of school.

Stretched out but not torn apart, I realized everyone gives advice. What makes me successful isn't listening to all of the advice I'm given, but listening to the good advice. Keeping that in mind, I grew up a little.

The putty is passed along yet again, The culprits? My friends.

I thought they would ground me and keep me safe from being stretched in all directions.

Turns out they are the people who are pulling me in those directions. Never letting me break, but always testing my limits. Because of them, I grew up a lot.

So now I'm back at that egg shaped shell that used to mold me. I could try to scrunch myself up and stay in that shell for the rest of my life, only to be known as second hand silly putty.

But I won't. Because if I did, then who will get to see the way I've grown up a little? And who would have guessed it could have happened at the University of Wisconsin-Stout?

Hmong Awareness

By Heidi Sleep
Campus Writer

The Hmong Stout Student Organization (HSSO) just wrapped up its second annual Hmong Awareness Week. HSSO strives to promote diversity and awareness of Hmong culture to the University of Wisconsin-Stout campus and surrounding community.

"[HSSO] is open to everybody or anybody that has an interest in Hmong culture," said Lee Xiong, president of HSSO and a senior in applied science.

HSSO held their first Hmong Awareness Week last year and continued with the tradition this year.

"We have a week [of events] and then to finalize the week we have a conference at the end," said Mai Sai Vang, public relations officer for HSSO and a sophomore in general business administration.

The week began with "A Walk from the Past to the Present," a presentation of Hmong history and culture on Monday, March 27, and ended with a full day conference on Saturday April 1.

The informational presentation "A Walk from the Past to the Present" was held in the Terrace in the Memorial Student Center and was open to students and the community. The members of HSSO created a variety of informational boards and displayed them around the room.

The boards provided in-

formation about the beliefs and customs of the Hmong culture. Some of the members arrived dressed in traditional clothing and helped to act out scenes from their history. The presentation included an overview of the New Year's celebration and the cultural significance of the activities that take place during this celebration.



A brief description of Shamanism and its cultural significance was also presented. Shamanism can be found in a variety of cultures.

A shaman is considered to be a religious specialist who is capable of communicating with spirits. It is said that spirits enter the shaman's body and take control so that all knowledge is actually derived from the spirit.

It is said that shamans are capable of warding off evil spirits, controlling the weather, determining sources of misfortune and much more. It is for these reasons that, in some societies, shamans hold a great deal of po-

litical power. Overall, shamans help to maintain a community's well-being.

The presentation also included an overview of the history of the Vietnam War and the past and present condition of Laos. Some of the HSSO members that were dressed in traditional clothing acted out scenes using props during this part of the presentation.

A panel discussion was held after the presentation, and student members of HSSO answered questions in regards to their values, cultural traditions, history and the challenges they faced when coming to America. The panel members also shared family stories, and each member described their journey to the United States.

"I hope that [the attendees] learned something and that they enjoyed [the presentation]," said Lee.

The presentation and panel discussion provided a great deal of information about religious beliefs, marriage traditions, assimilation challenges and the challenge of bridging the values and beliefs of older generations with those of the younger generations.

The presentation and panel discussion were intended to provide attendees with a deeper understanding of the Hmong culture and their traditions.

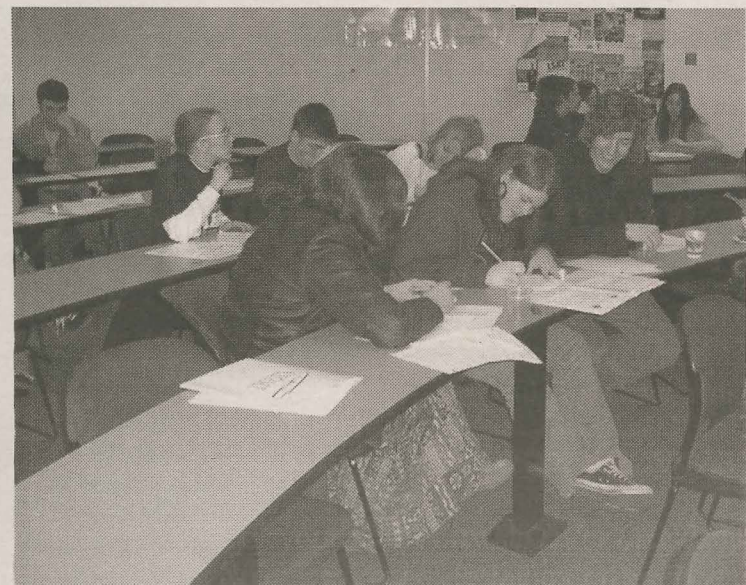
"I think we did a really good job; it was a long process," said Mai Pang Lee, HSSO secretary

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Writing Relays invites promising students

By Renee Currington
Campus Editor

High school students from throughout Wisconsin came to



race with their minds and with their pens at the first Writing Relays event at the University of Wisconsin-Stout on Saturday, April 1.

A total of 29 high school stu-

dents came from Durand, Turtle Lake, Chippewa Falls and Northland Pines. Writing Relays was an all-day event, which included several timed writing contests, a tour of the campus and a panel discussion about UW-Stout and college in general that was presented by UW-Stout technical communication students.

"[Writing Relays is] a great opportunity to honor the talents of strong student writers," said Dr. Andrea Muldoon, an English professor at UW-Stout who chaired Writing Relays.

High school students of varying class status participated in a series of individual writing contests including a 40-word dash, an 80-word dash and a 200-word dash. The students also gathered in teams for a 400-word dash, which was a group writing contest.

For the first writing contest, students had 10 minutes to

describe an object in 40 words, using as many sensory details as possible. The students were given a random assortment of items to describe including a spool of twine, a bottle of perfume, plush toys and figurines.

In the 80-word dash, students were shown a black and white photo and wrote stories about what they thought was happening in the photo.

The students then chose from a list of heavily debated youth issues for the 200-word dash. For this competition, each student wrote an argumentative essay supporting one side of the issue.

The 400-word dash was the longest race. The students pretended they were writing to a peer from a foreign country about a "day in the life" of an American high school student.

Three high school students from Chippewa Falls—Max

Docksey, a freshman; Heather Walicki, a sophomore; and Jessica Long, a freshman—won first place in the group competition.

The winning group compared high school life to an undersea world in a creative, humorous letter that amused the judges.

"We wrote that high school is like being in a shark pit," said Long. "The seniors are like great white sharks and the octopus is the teacher because he gives out eight times as much homework."

Muldoon conceived Writing Relays as a recruiting event for the technical communication program. Other English faculty and students also helped bring the event together. Instructors Bruce Maylath, Julie Zeleznik, Brian Fitch, Jonna Gjevne and technical communication sophomore Andy Hahn served as judges.

"The event was a wonderful success," said Muldoon.

slant

What was your strangest dream about?



"Weird beings without faces coming out of the water stains from the ceiling."

Drew Davis
Engineering Technology Senior



"I got shot in the head with a super soaker... and I died"

Heather Murphy
Graphic Design Freshman



"My whole family was being eaten by alligators."

Cara Baker
Graphic Design Freshman



"I watched the movie 'Underworld' and I got in a fight with half X-Men, half vampires; then they pushed me off a building."

Seamus Dwyer
Business Sophomore



"There was this orange that started talking to me. Then, the skin started peeling off and started to eat my face."

Sarah Speigle
Undecided Freshman



"It was about a weiner dog with no legs. It lived on the couch, like a pillow, but it wasn't a pillow."

Andrea Kappelman
Multimedia Design Freshman

Optimal health fair rewarding for all

By Jennifer Gauthier
Campus Writer

Many students are not very concerned about their health and physical wellness. Between going to class, getting homework done and working jobs to pay for school, it doesn't leave a lot of time to worry about exercising, eating right or keeping your vertebrae in alignment.

The Optimal Health Fair is put on by the University of Wisconsin-Stout every year around the end of March.

"[The purpose of the fair is to introduce students to vendors who provide] educational information about their facilities, programs and services in all areas of health and wellness," said Kristie Patterson, organizer of the Optimal Health Fair.

The fair also included information on physical health, mental health, skin care, fitness, medical insurance, health supplements, hypnosis and financial support among others things.

The event was free to students, staff and members of the community. Among the reasons to attend were free samples of everything from food and drinks, massages, skin care products and blood pressure checks.

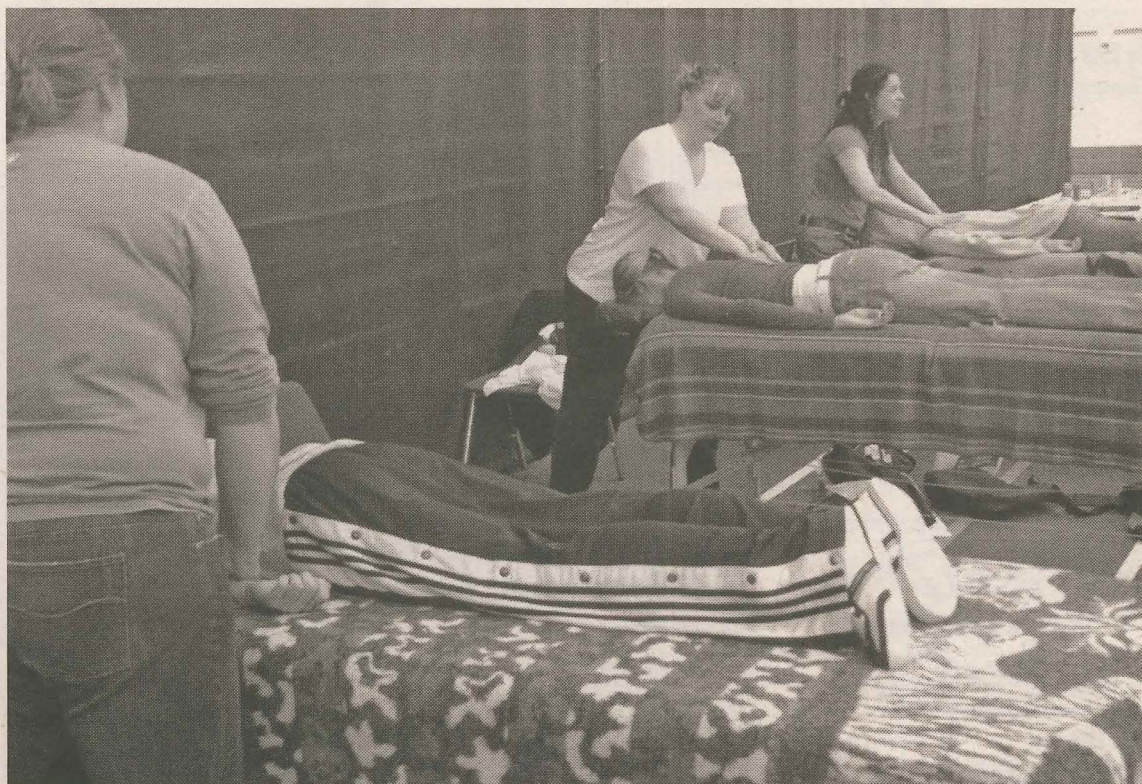
Door prizes were also awarded randomly to those who attended. This year, more than 60 vendors attended along with approximately 600 participants.

"[I found the conference to be] interesting and a bit on the small side with an interesting mix of students and professionals," said Jennifer Traxler, a freshman majoring in graphic design.

Her favorite booth was one on hydration.

"The girl gave free water, and I learned that if you divide your weight in half that is how many ounces you should drink a day," said Traxler.

Among the other interesting booths was the Fire Department checking blood pressure, juice from fruits with unpronounceable names and Swiss Miss rep-



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The Stout Student Dietetic Association held another annual Optimal Health Fair Wednesday, March 29. Participants won door prizes and took home free samples and information on various areas of health.

representatives giving out pudding and hot cocoa.

There were also friendly chiropractors with spine models and a vendor showing body products without carcinogens who gave out sticky patches to wear on your foot at night to see how many toxins are in your body.

"The health conference was good," said Adam Rittel, a fresh-

man majoring in construction and business management. "The information was quite interesting and was very helpful for the health conscious person."

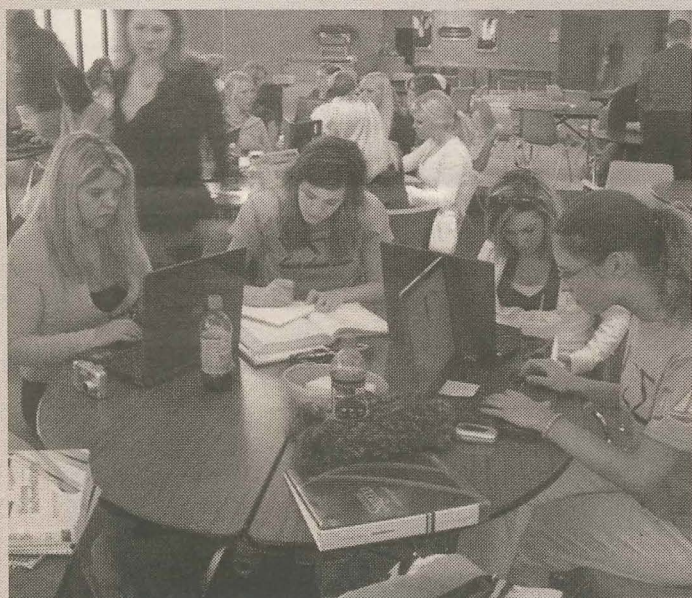
Rittel highly recommended the Optimal Health Fair event.

"Anyone looking for information about how to live a healthy life would want to attend this conference," said Rittel.

"The information did not only pertain to the health conscious, but also the nutritional quality and benefits of many of the items here on campus."

So if you're interested in getting healthy, staying healthy or just getting a free sandwich and a backrub, the Optimal Health Fair will be back next year around the end of March in the Rec Center.

Greek week events



Lindsey Adams/Stoutonia

University of Wisconsin-Stout Greek organizations began a week of events on Tuesday, April 4. They held Academic Night in the Terrace on Wednesday night where students could get help on their homework. Thursday night, they will participate in Campus Cleanup from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. Organizations can get cleanup maps from the SOC desk in the Memorial Student Center. Friday is the all Greek BBQ at Phi Sigma Phi, and the Greek Olympics will take place on Saturday at 10 a.m. at Riverside Park.

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and panelist for "A Walk from the Past to the Present."

"I thought they did a really good job, and the demonstration was very worth while," said Leigh-Anna Fournelle, a human development and family studies major and new HSSO member.

HSSO hosted a variety of other events throughout the week on Hmong culture. One of the events was a food sampling session in which students could sample a variety of traditional Hmong foods, which was followed by an egg roll making session.

On Thursday night, a presentation on the "Secret War in

Laos" was presented by Major Steven R. Schofield.

The 20th annual Hmong Education Conference was the final event of the week, and it was held at the Memorial Student Center on Saturday, April 1. The theme this year was "Confronting the Silence Within."

The conference featured a variety of workshops relating to the Hmong culture. Students from surrounding universities,

as well as community members, were encouraged to attend.

All of the events for the week were organized by members of HSSO. Students interested in learning more about the Hmong culture can attend the weekly HSSO meetings held every Thursday at 7 p.m. in the Birch Gallery in the Memorial Student Center.

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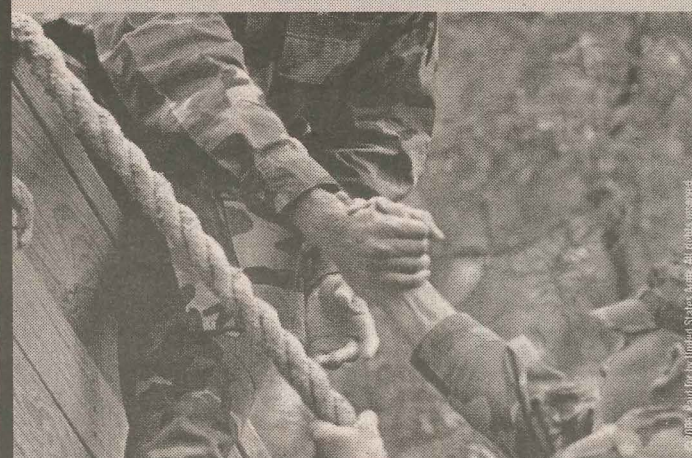
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Art galleries opening with new work

By Josh Sondelski
Campus Writer

Seeing that the University of Wisconsin-Stout is noted for its obscure art majors, it only makes sense that the university would have its own art galleries. The Furlong Gallery and Gallery 209 in the Applied Arts Building are showing some of their finest work as the last half of the spring semester comes to an end.

The Furlong, located on the

first floor of the Applied Arts Building, is currently exhibiting "Show and Tell: Art and objects from the collections of Department of Art and Design Faculty Members."

The show includes a wide variety of items, as art and design department faculty members were asked to collect work from

personal collections for the gallery. "Show and Tell" includes everything from 19th Century American Folk Pots to a collection of toasters, from the collections of Geoffrey Wheeler (ceramics faculty) and Benjamin Pratt (industrial design faculty) respectively. After selecting the pieces to be shown, the par-

ticipating faculty members were asked to write a short statement about what they chose.

Simultaneously showing in the Furlong is "The Figure: From the Furlong Collection" which includes works that "explore the use of the figure as a focus for artistic expression in a variety of guises." The prints, paintings and drawings are part of the Furlong Collection and date as far back as 1919.

April 7 will see a new collection of works in the Furlong. Prometheus, in connection with the Creative Arts Journal, will have a juried student selection of fine art works appearing in the gallery's right room. The show will hold mostly paintings and sculptures, but other mediums will also be shown.

"I caught a peek while they were setting up," said Eric Meintema, a psychology major. "The works looked really interesting."

Accompanying the Prometheus opening this Friday will be an awards ceremony and a selection of student essay, prose and poem readings. The reception starts at 4 p.m. and ends at 6 p.m. The show will run from its opening on April 7 to April 28.

The second room of the Furlong will be showing a collection of student works from Drawing I and II, Fundamentals of Design, Computer Imagery, Design, Design Theory and Methods and Presentation Techniques.

Different forms of sculpture will fill the center of the room, while the walls will be lined with



Renee Currington/Stoutonia
This untitled work was created by William Christianson.

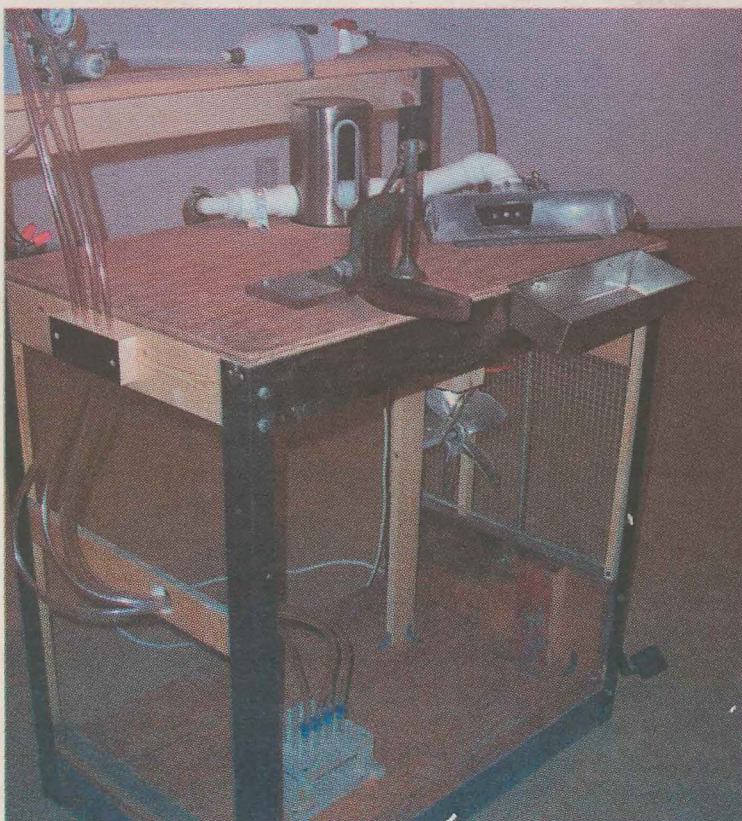
different examples from the art classes, primarily drawings and design lessons.

The Furlong is open on Mondays from 9 a.m. until 2 p.m., and on Tuesday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

The student gallery, Studio 209, is currently revolving works from seniors in the art department. Under the show name "Otherwise," different pieces by Chris Bonilla, Paul Housken, Jenny Suckow and William Christenson are up on display.

The show is very exciting, and even a little controversial, notably Christenson's screen-printed posters.

A new set of artists and their works from the interior design program will be set up this week, and the gallery will be open by Thursday.



Renee Currington/Stoutonia

This work is titled "Frinze Extractor" and was created by Paul Housken. He used wood, steel and mixed-media to create this piece.

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A full day of computer festivities



Ami Kriho

Entertainment Writer

What's 24 hours long and packed with nonstop explosive action? The People's Organization of Network Gaming (PONG) holding their annual April Fool's Local Area Network (LAN) party, that's what!

If you were a gamer, you wouldn't be seen anywhere else last Friday and Saturday except at Huff's, where the party took place.

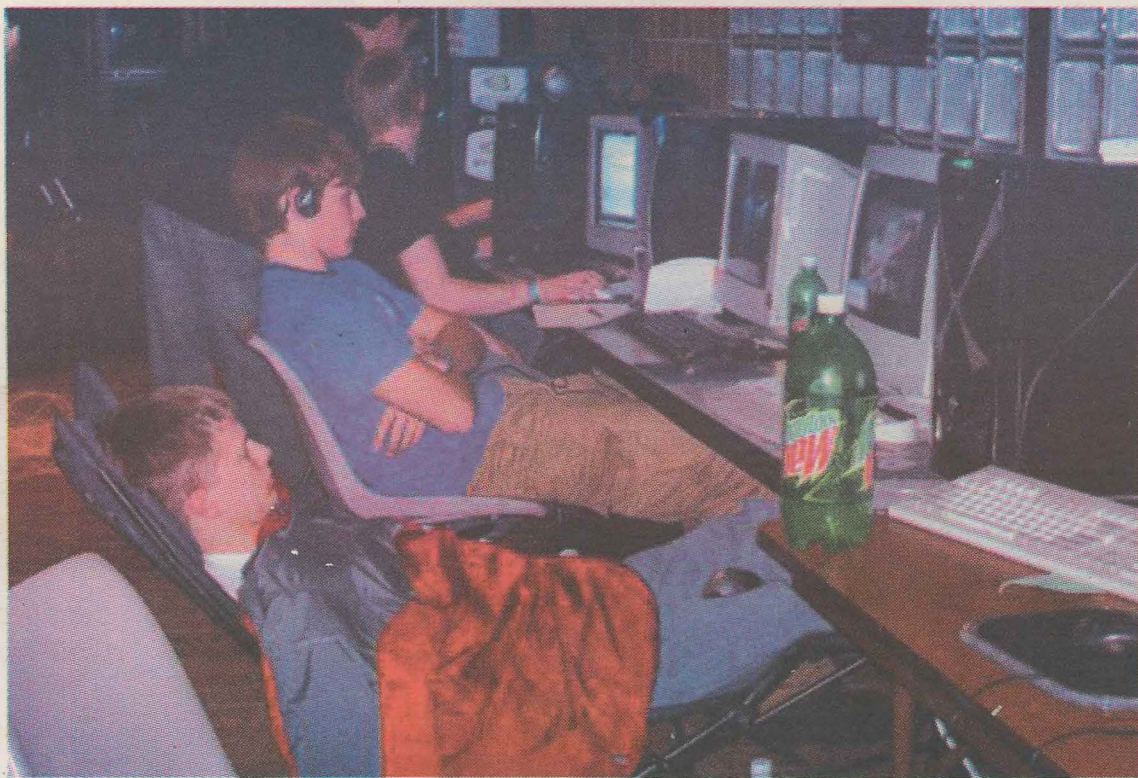
PONG has done many LAN (local area network) parties in the past, but none like this.

Not only was it their first 24 hour party, but it also brought one of the biggest turnouts in their history. All in all, there were 78 computers.

That's more computers than Huff's could handle, so some people had to set up their computers in the hallway.

After a few power issues were solved, the LAN party quickly went underway. As always, PONG had several tournaments lined up for the gamers.

The first was the old



Source: www.pong.uwstout.edu

Offering plenty of games and more than enough hours during which to play them all, PONG's April Fool's LAN Party proved quite the success on multiple levels.

favorite, "Counter Strike: Source" in three vs. three elimination rounds.

There was also a "Halo 2" two vs. two tournament, with the emerging victors being Scott "Maxil" Mielke and Christopher "Pyro01" Karraker.

Another always popular tournament game was "Unreal Tournament 2004," and the list of winners were Jer my

"yum yums" Kruckeberg, Kyle "Kor0su" Borgschatz, Jerod "JroD" Husar, Adam "Puppeteer" Born and Mike "Burning_2k" Mordick.

Of course, tournaments weren't mandatory. Gamers who did not participate in them had their fun playing non-tournament rounds of the above games, as well as many other typical LAN party games

like "Warcraft III" and "Half-Life 2: Deathmatch."

Many people also spent some time playing their own single-player games.

There were also console games available for anyone to play on large projector screens set up along the back wall of Huff's.

The favorites were "Fight Night III," "Super Smash Bros. Melee," "Dance Dance Revolution," "Burnout" and non-tournament games of "Halo" and "Halo 2."

Outside of Huff's, an arcade-like console was set up for even more games.

Those that needed a break from games were welcome to watch movies outside of Huff's in the lounge area.

The movie attractions of the event were the "Back to the Future" series, "Flash Gordon" and "Serenity."

But games weren't the only things that made this LAN party exciting.

Generously, PONG also gave away about \$1,000 worth of prizes from sponsors such as nVidia, Crucial, Frigid Fusion

and ComputerGeeks.com.

Nearly everyone who was at the LAN party received a prize and many got more than one. Prizes were given out for the winners of the tournaments as well as through raffles.

As early morning rolled around, gamers started to leave to get some much-needed sleep, either at their rooms, houses or on one of the available couches.

Things slowed down for a while Saturday morning but picked up again in the afternoon. More than half of the gamers remained the entire night and into the next day until around 4:00 p.m.

The gamers themselves were also pleased with the way the event turned out.

Not only was it a great party but it was very well planned and managed by the members of PONG.

"They were very organized this year," said sophomore Matt Zajack. "They know what they're doing."

"It was tons of fun," said freshman Chris Karraker. "A lot of great people showed up."

Students from UW-Stout weren't the only attendees either.

"I won a bunch of prizes," said Eau Claire gamer David Vaini. "It was my first PONG event and I had a really fun time."

It was also a record turnout for females attending the party.

"We had six girls, the most ever," said freshman Jessica Walenski, the treasurer of PONG.

One of the only complaints about the April Fool's LAN party was the location.

"Huff's sucks when you're hosting so many people," said Chris Karraker. "There were a few power issues."

This problem will be solved next year, when the LAN parties will take place in the Great Hall.

"Next year, we plan on having 200 people in attendance at the Great Hall," said junior Jonathon Vermes and president of PONG. "It will be more comfortable and more convenient."

You know you'd love it



Matt Schubbe

Entertainment Writer

"Finally Finally" I shouted as I heard the news, and you will too, when I tell it to you.

An amazing TV movie will be filmed at UW-Stout quite soon, and not just any TV movie, mind you.

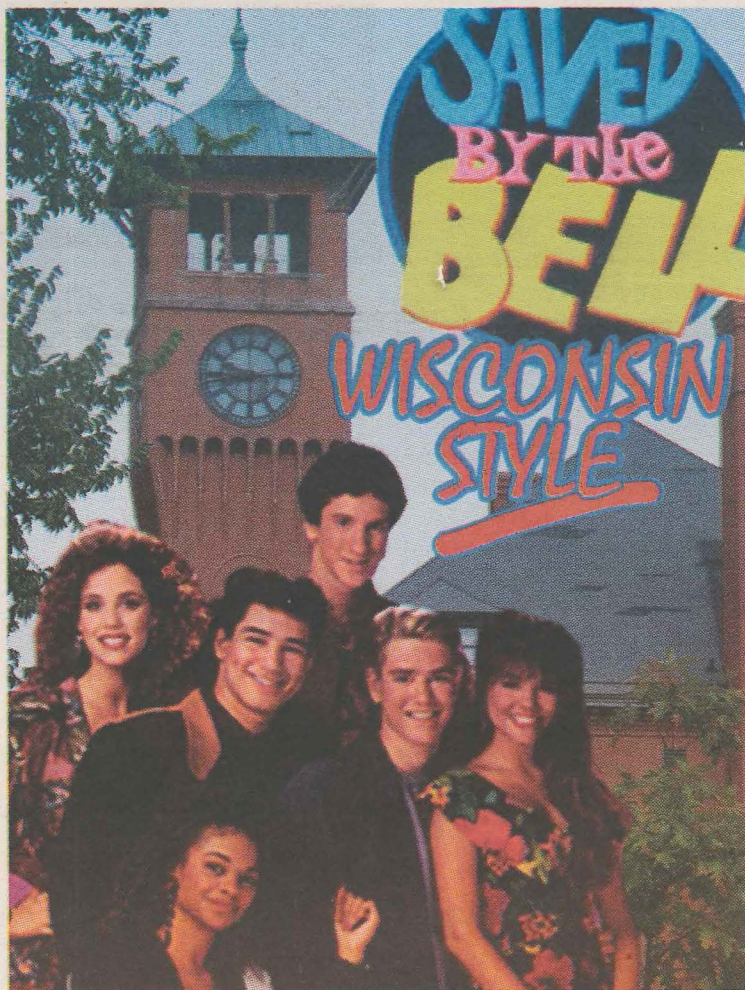
This will probably be the greatest TV movie ever filmed in the recorded history of the medium. I'm talking about "Saved by the Bell: Wisconsin Style."

I know: unbelievable, right? But soon principal photography will begin right here on campus.

"Why?" you may ask. Because the people demanded it. Or at least I did. I've been desperately awaiting a "Saved By the Bell" reunion for so long that I piled together a wad of my own money and began making some phone calls.

Pretty much all of the cast was receptive and willing to work for cheap (especially Elizabeth Berkley) but that's to be expected.

Tiffani-Amber Thiessen was the toughest to get because she still sort of has a career, but once I laid on the charm



Collage: Kyle Kingston/Stoutonia

Sure, the cast members would be a lot older now. And you're right: it would be difficult to shoot those obligatory bikini scenes on the shores of Lake Menominee. Still, wouldn't it be cool?

she caved immediately, fulfilling my pre-pubescent fantasies of having Kelly Kapowski wrapped around my little finger. Oh baby.

I suppose the next logical question is "What will this movie

be about?" I really have no idea. I suppose it was poor foresight on my part, but I haven't even cobbled together a script yet.

Maybe I can just have all of the cast members do some

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Irreverent history lesson



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Sarah Jewell's "Assassination Vacation" concerns the assassinations of Presidents Lincoln, Garfield and McKinley. It is recommended reading for those who enjoy learning about history in an irreverent way.



Michael Graney
Entertainment Writer

Every now and then a book's title catches the eye, like Sarah Vowell's "Assassination Vacation." What exactly would make up an assassination vacation?

Will the book be a methodical crime thriller of what a mob hit man does in his spare time? Perhaps it might be about covert CIA assassinations of various heads of state?

"Assassination Vacation," as it turns out, isn't about either of those, but instead concerns the assassinations of Presidents Lincoln, Garfield and McKinley.

It is also about the author's quest to visit significant areas concerning both the presidents' and their assassins' lives, and to examine the days leading up to the fateful days and even after.

Sarah Vowell provides some interesting, humorous insight into the search and how this came about.

The book presents an interesting picture of America during and immediately after Reconstruction when the most presidents were assassinated.

The one unfortunate theme, one that I don't believe is intentional, is how history is doomed to repeat itself.

The book begins with the Lincoln assassination, with details about the elaborate assassination plot (the assassination of the secretary of state and vice president were also in the planning stages).

Vowell then follows the fates of the plotters to their imprisonments, which has the affect of a VH1 "Where Are They Now?" segment.

The second chapter deals with the Garfield assassination and the alleged insanity of his assassin, Charles Guiteau.

The saddest thing about this chapter becomes how apparent it is that Garfield is largely forgotten by history, even being one of four United States presidents assassinated.

The third chapter deals with McKinley's assassination during his second term, like Lincoln. McKinley is probably best known as the reason Theodore Roosevelt became president.

The book seems to transform at this point into an analysis of how the Lincoln Republicans

became more like the modern day Republicans. It is an interesting evolution.

One unfortunate bystander in all of this becomes apparent: Robert Todd Lincoln.

He was there when his father, Abraham Lincoln died, he was nearby when Garfield was shot and he entered Buffalo the day McKinley was shot.

These coincidences seemed to bother the eldest son of Abraham Lincoln, which is why the last chapter talks about Robert and the Lincoln Memorial.

It is a good bookend to the first chapter, closing out the novel in much the same way it starts, with a love of our history.

A good book overall, though (for people with different political views than the author) it could be tough to get through. For the record, the author is a liberal.

The wit presented is timely, and personal anecdotes are used in appropriate places.

This book is recommended if you would like to learn about history in an irreverent way.

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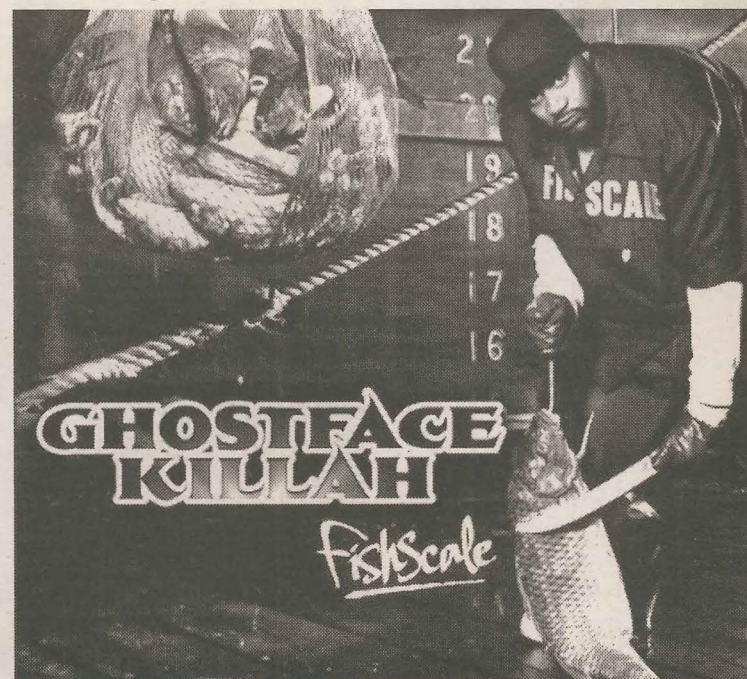
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With more energy and catchy tracks than ever before, it's clear to the hip hop world that Ghostface is back and is as skilled as ever.



Mike Ryan
Entertainment Writer

Since "36 Chambers" was released in the early '90s, members of New York City's Wu Tang Clan have been continuously releasing semi-underground innovations with the helps of the producing masterminds GZA and RZA.

Most recently, Wu Tang veteran Ghostface has released his fifth solo album, "Fishscale," which continues Wu-Tang's tradition of releasing well-produced and innovative hip hop.

Ghostface has seemingly approached this album as a bit of a personal vendetta, after his last album, "Pretty Toney," disappointed many of his fans, including myself.

But as expected, with more energy and catchy tracks than ever before, it's clear to the hip hop world that Ghostface is back and is as skilled as ever.

Famous for his incorporation of old soul and Motown

songs in his samples, Ghostface returns to a sound that hasn't been heard since his album, "Supreme Clientele," bringing energy and unique lyricism that has been present throughout his illustrious career.

"Fishscale" includes songs that stay true to his underground roots, such as "Shakey Dog," a track that uses a bass driven backbeat underneath a vocal track featuring Ghostface's trademark stream of consciousness style rhyming.

Ghostface manages to incorporate a more mainstream sound into songs like "Be Easy," while others like "The Champ" can't really be compared to his old material.

I can't find a way to describe these tracks effectively without resorting to the word "insane."

Any hip hop fan—underground or mainstream—can get into this album.

It really has something for everybody and I've been itching to have something like this in my disc changer for quite awhile.

This will likely eventually be regarded as one of Ghostface's best albums.

It is certainly one of this year's finest.

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sort of "Brady Bunch Variety Hour" in which they all wear matching jumpsuits and attempt sketch comedy.

Then I can have Mr. Belding show up unexpectedly (like he always does) to ruin their fun.

Wait a minute, stop the presses. Suddenly, the thought occurs to me: will anyone watch this? I mean, even I'm starting to think this idea is more ill conceived than a rehab clinic founded by Robert Downey Jr.

I can maybe think of one person who would watch this, and I don't personally consider their individual happiness my biggest priority at the moment.

Dear God, what was I thinking? "Saved by the Bell: Hawai-

ian Style" sucked out loud, and that was at the height of the show's popularity.

Think of how much louder things will suck with an even worse script conceived by a rabid semi-fan like me.

Ugh, I could have used that money for car insurance or new pants (I could really use some new pants). And I wasted that money on Mario Lopez.

It was nice of him to take a pay cut from hosting shows on "Animal Planet," but I can't put A.C. Slater, much less any of the other cast members, through this kind of garbage. Not even Screech.

Now if you'll excuse me, I have a few urgent phone calls to make.

The 411

April 6
to April 13

Thursday, April 6

> Quietdrive, Huff's,
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> The Buffali, Acoustic Cafe,
8 p.m., Free.

Friday, April 7

> DeYarmond Edison, Mabel
Tainter, 8 p.m., \$8.
> Brad Layher, Blind Munchies,
7 p.m., Free.

Saturday, April 8

> Greg HERRIGES, Acoustic Cafe,
8 p.m., Free.

Sunday, April 9

> Jay Ungar & Molly Mason,
Mabel Tainter, 2 p.m., \$21.

Monday, April 10

> The Adam Braatz Quartet,
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Tuesday, April 11

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> Lucy Creek Blues Band,
Klassix, 8 p.m., Free.

Wednesday, April 12

> Peter Phippen, Shanghai
Bistro, 6:30 p.m., Free.
> Ian Alexy, The Mousetrap,
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Thursday, April 13

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"Ice Age 2" pandering, unfunny

What is it Worth?

WB: Wait for the cheap

theater to play it.

JB: Not the price I paid.

Neither a good sequel or movie, "Ice Age 2: Meltdown" is actually quite unsettling for a children's film. Witness this scene in which a caveman wakens to find that a deranged squirrel has latched its teeth into his arm.

Source: www.rottentomatoes.com



Jarrod Burns and William Butchee

Entertainment Writers

The first "Ice Age" was set a few thousand years ago and concerned a child that was separated from his caveman father and in danger of being eaten by saber-toothed tigers. Fortunately for him, a woolly mammoth (Ray Romano), a giant sloth (John Leguizamo), one of the saber-toothed tigers (Denis Leary) and a rat of some kind called Scrat saved him.

Most people know the movie for that last character, Scrat. The bug-eyed Scrat is on a quest to find an acorn that will somehow provide sustenance for the rest of the Ice Age. The first film left the characters as they returned the baby to his father at the ice age's beginning. "Ice Age: The Meltdown" picks up with the three main characters running from melting water rather than freezing water.

JB: In 2002 FOX Animation

Studios proved that they could compete with Disney and the Pixar Animation studio with their release of "Ice Age."

This year, FOX was able to prove that, like their competition, they can release unnecessary, formulaic sequels that will almost certainly rake in cash.

WB: Like any good sequel, the main characters return to complete another magical journey. This time, the entire continent is melting and the animals—a sloth with Attention Deficit Disorder, a grumpy saber-toothed tiger, an annoying squirrel and a sad woolly mammoth—set out to find dry land. Along the way they meet new fun animals, including a female mammoth (voiced by Queen Latifah).

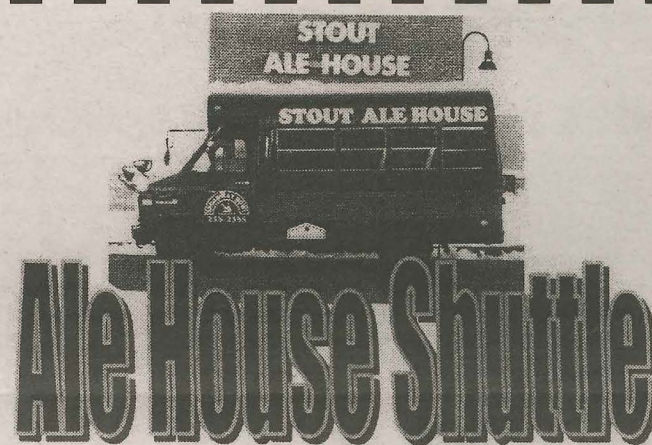
JB: Obviously, at its core, this is a children's film, but its predecessor was at least a little interesting due to its fresh style and charming characters. I mean, at least it wasn't another movie about ants.

The humor in "Ice Age 2" is either slapstick gags for the kiddies or jokes that are about as funny as the humor used in the crappy TV shows that star the lead voice actors of "Ice Age." This is not to say that the original "Ice Age" was significantly

funnier, but at least that film felt somewhat original.

WB: "Meltdown" continues the trend of good visuals (to which audiences are becoming too accustomed) that have an overall big, goofy style.

Young kids, some adults and fans of the original movie will probably look past the blandness of this sequel and maybe even find it in their hearts to laugh at the antics of a mentally challenged squirrel.



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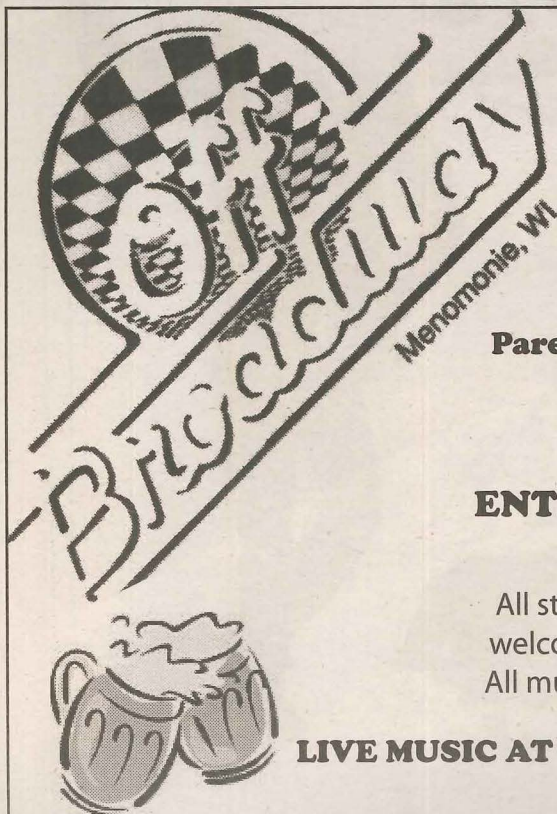
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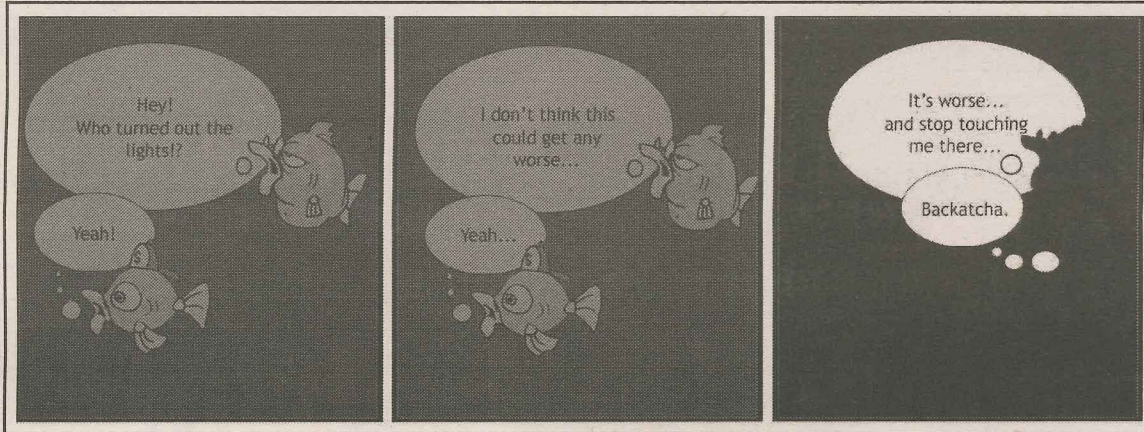
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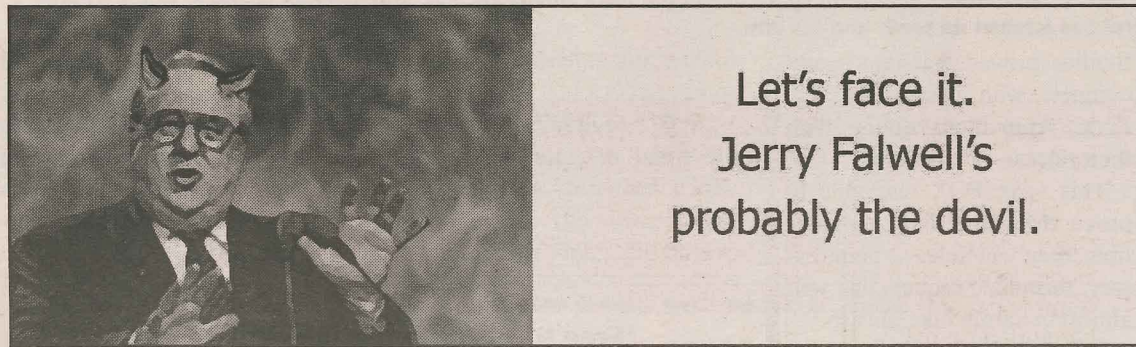
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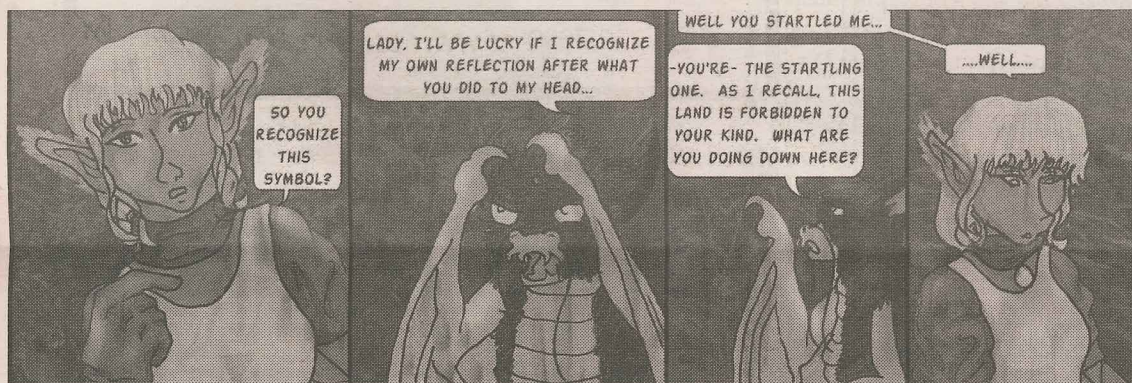
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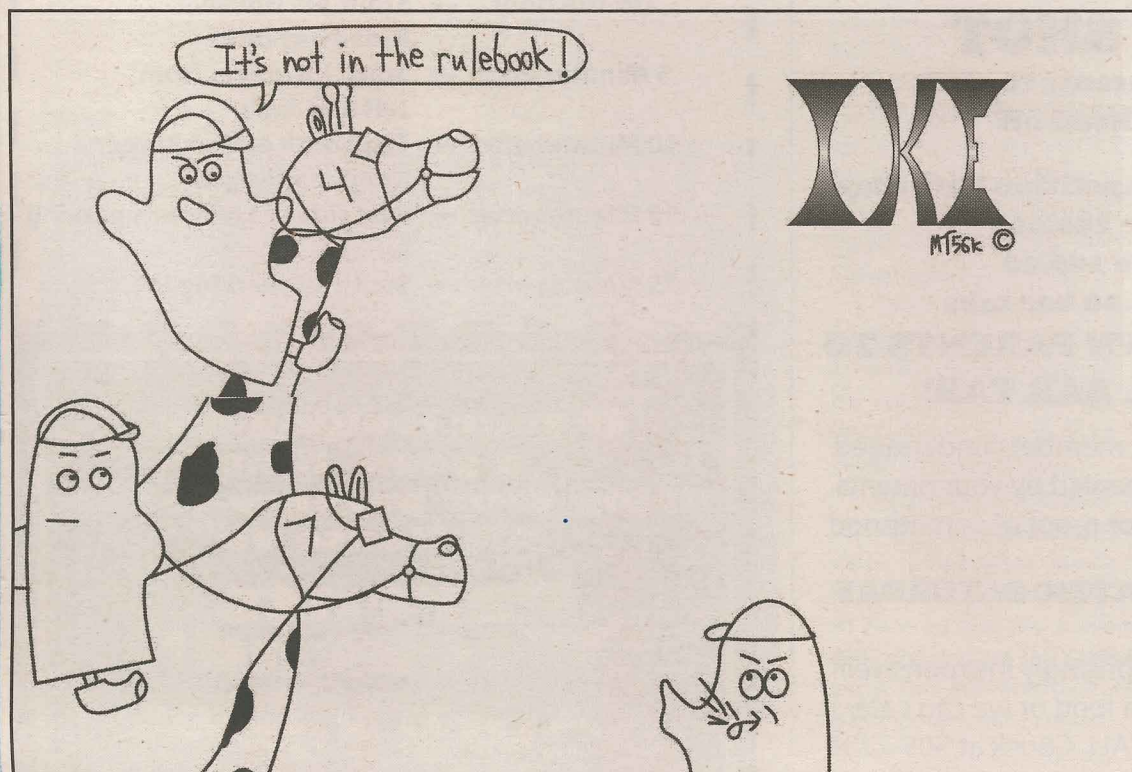
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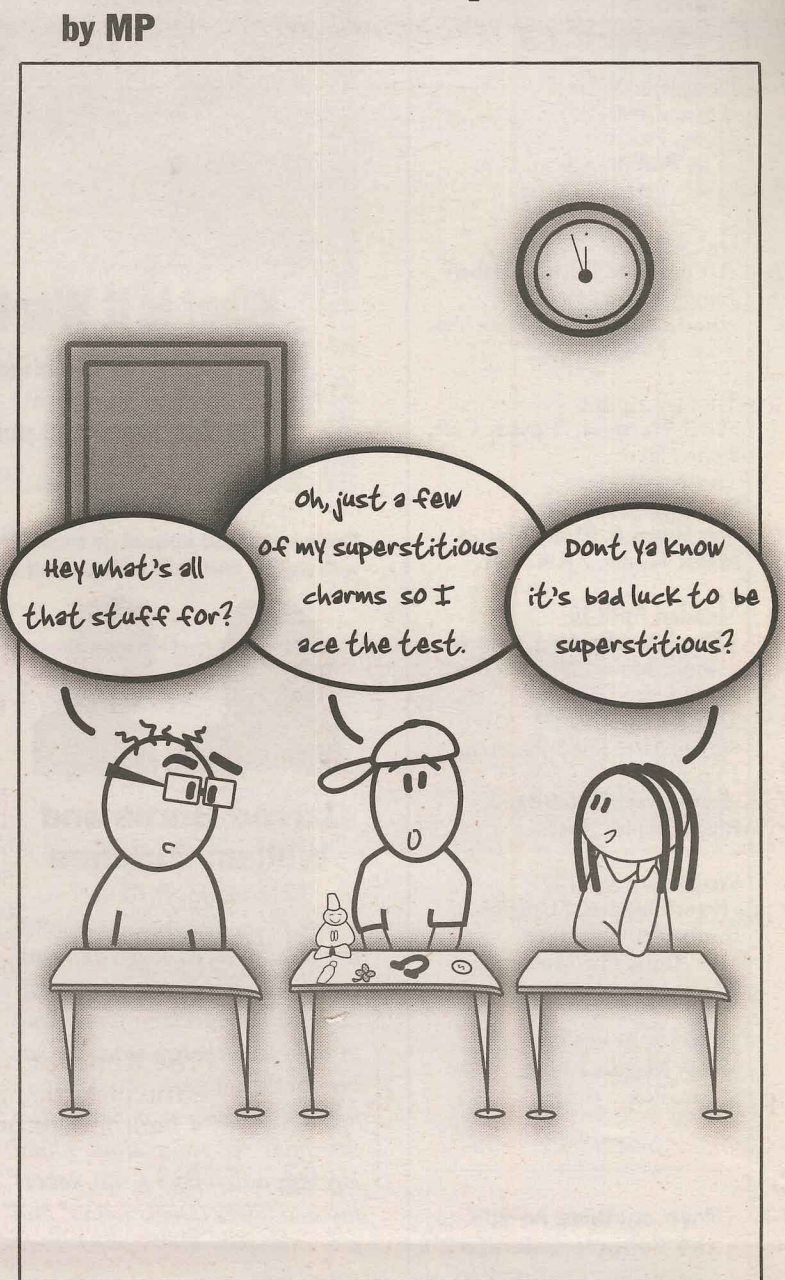
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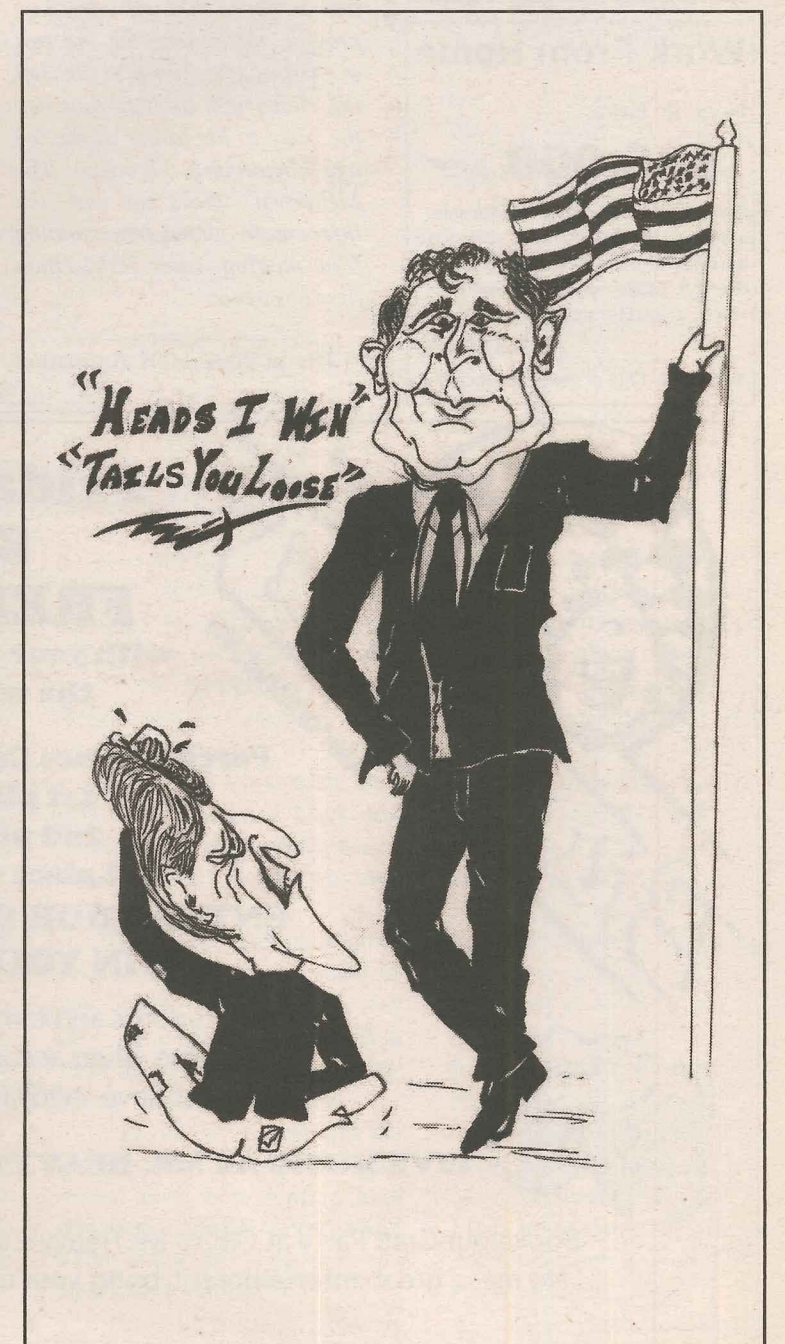
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Run, don't Walk Stout Boxing Club

By Jessica Boe
Sports Editor

The University of Wisconsin-Stout's Running Club slid on their running shoes just in time for the official start of spring on March 20. They will continue running five days a week as they prepare for two upcoming marathons.

The first marathon, Get in Gear, will be held on April 29, at Minnehaha Park in Minneapolis, Minn.

The 29th annual marathon is the most popular 10K in Minnesota and is ranked number 15 in the nation. A 5K Run/Walk and 2K Fun Run will also take place for those who want to take part in a less intense race.

If you are interested, visit their Web site at www.gettingear10k.com to register or receive additional information.

The 5K Mad City Half Marathon in which runners race around the scenic capitol building will take place on Sunday, May 28.

Runners are encouraged to participate in the Health and Fitness Expo Saturday, May 27, prior to their race. During this event, runners will be able to pick up their race number and learn about the Mad City Marathon course.

Registration will be held on Tuesday, May 2, at 7 p.m. at the Northwoods Room in the Memorial Student Center.

You may test your skills prior to these marathons here in town at 9 a.m., Saturday, April 29. Runnin' for a Reason, a 5K walk/run will be held at Wakanda Park.

The third annual event is a fundraiser, hosted by the Alpha Phi Sorority. Proceeds go to the Alpha Phi Foundation, which supports women's heart disease research.

If you are interested in joining the UW-Stout running club, meet up with the team outside of the Johnson Fieldhouse on the same end as the varsity basketball courts (facing Broadway). The meeting times are:

Mon. - 6:30 p.m. with Andrea

Tues. - 5:00 p.m. with Laura

Wed. - 6:00 p.m. with Andy

Thurs. - 5:30 p.m. with Katy

The club is open to all students and community who are able to run a 5K (3.1 miles) distance without walking, have time to train, determination, enthusiasm and, of course, good running shoes.

By Diana Minea
Editor in Chief

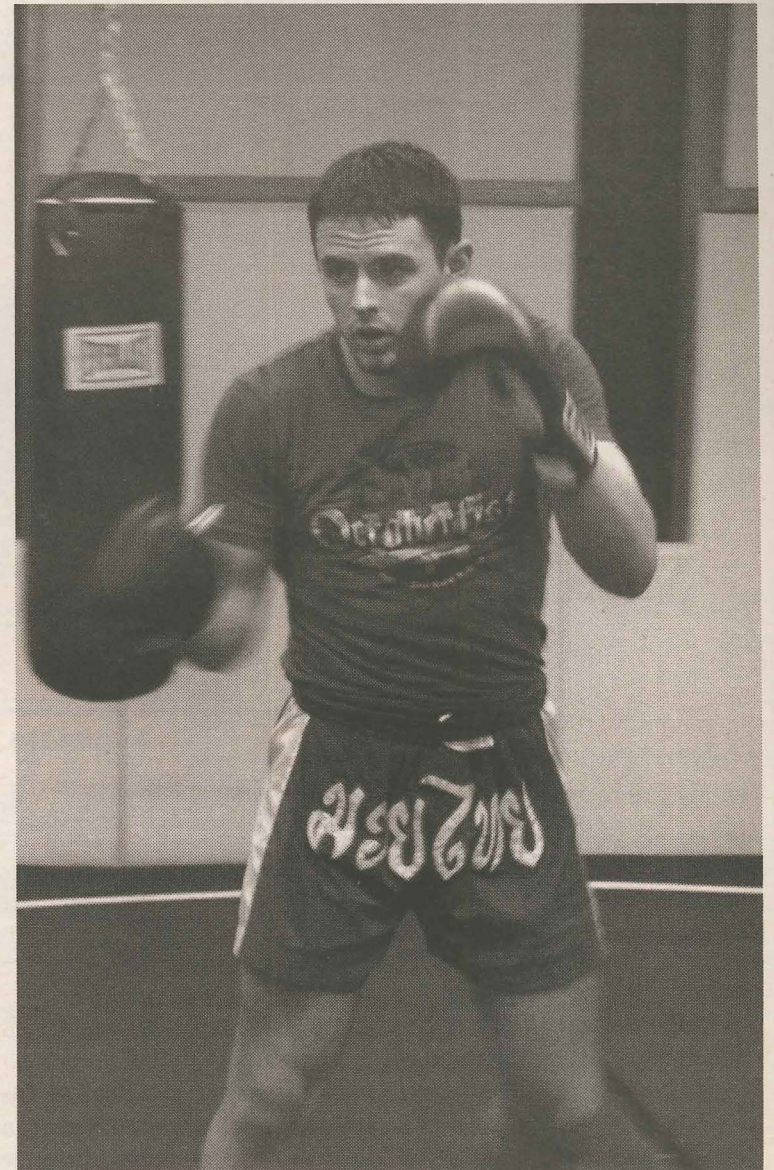
High-energy fights aren't the only thing that can be found when attending the University of Wisconsin-Stout's Boxing Club practices, although they do occur. What you're more likely to find is a group of people who are trying to get in shape, learn about self-defense, meet new people and maybe train for boxing matches.

The club, which began in 2001 in the basement of CKTO, meets Monday-Friday in the evenings at the Johnson Fieldhouse for about two hours a night. Regular attendance is around 20-30 people who come from a variety of majors, and both males and females are part of the club.

Each person has his or her own reason for attending the workout sessions. Malika Ahmed, a sophomore in applied science just recently started coming to the sessions because she wanted to be active and learn to defend herself.

"Boxing is kind of like a Swiss Army knife, you learn it and you can take it with you," said club president Tyson Brown.

Boxing continues on page 15



Nicholas Bruer is one of the many people that participate in the UW-Stout Boxing Club. Bruer also studies martial arts with boxing.

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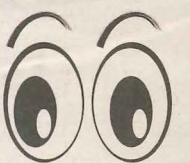
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Boxing / more than fighting each other

from page 14

Since the club members already have expertise in self-defense, they have begun working with the organization Men in Violence Prevention (MVP), a group that wants to prevent women from experiencing violence and abuse.

The boxing club board members hope to have a self-defense program for people to attend sometime next school year.

Along with their involvement in MVP, the club also works with The Bridge to Hope, an agency that provides immediate protection and follow-up services to victims of domestic violence and sexual assault from Dunn and Pepin counties.

Through their association with the Bridge they have welcomed a few children and teens from the community to attend their practices along with UW-Stout students.

The club also offers training for people who would like to get into boxing matches, although that person would need to get certified at another gym, usually at the University of Wisconsin-River Falls.

Beyond that training, the club has people who practice martial arts, kickboxing and

stick fighting. Each form of fighting has a unique style that the club is willing to teach to anyone who wants to learn.

People who just want to get in shape can also become a part of the boxing club.

"We won't push them over their limits, but we will push them to their limits," said Tyson Brown.

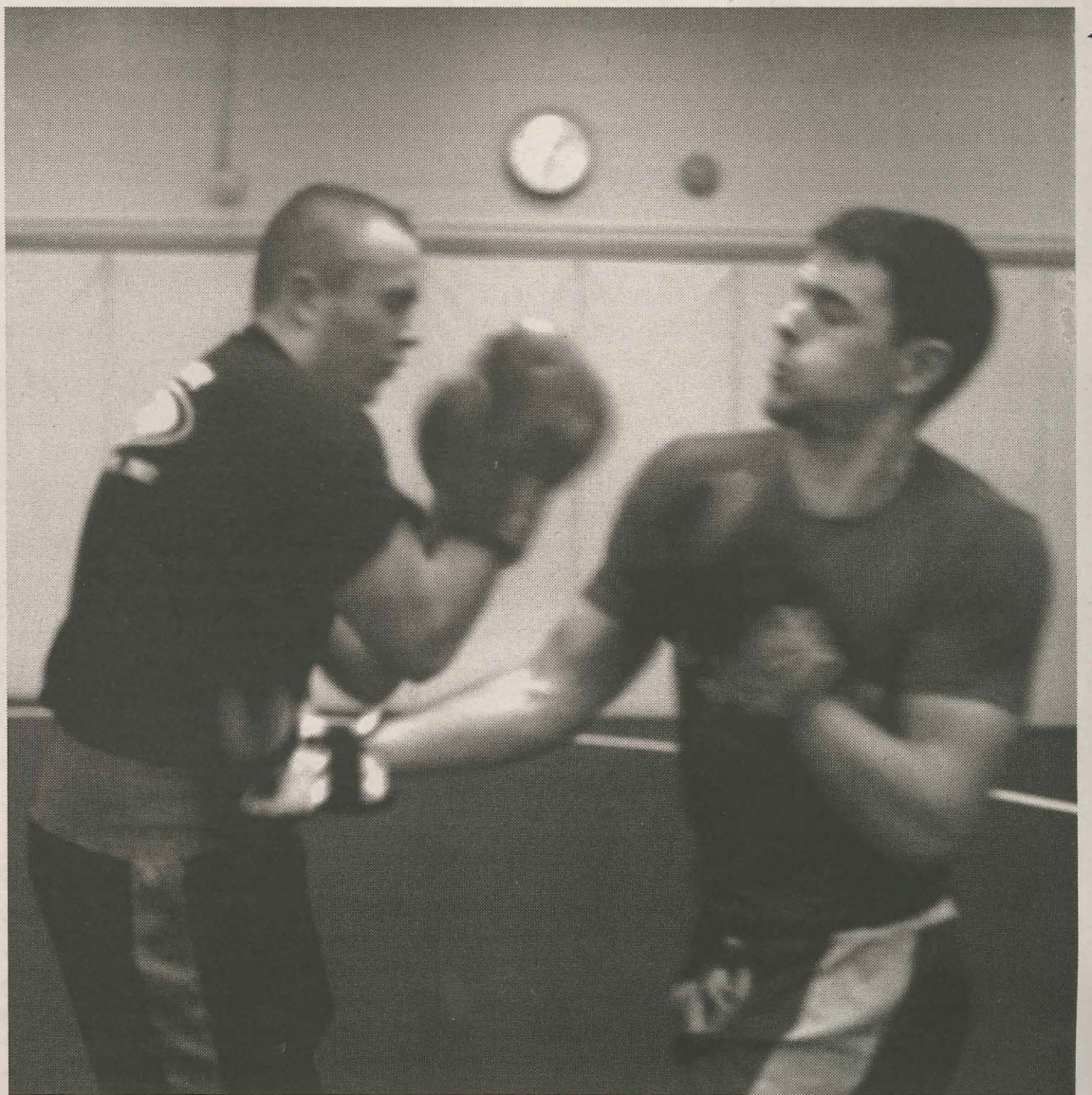
Anyone can join the club and everyone is welcome. Club members are very open to new people, and say "the more the merrier." This open environment is one of the highlights of the club.

"I like the camaraderie," said Nicolas Bruer, the vice president. "There is a core of 20 people that are always here. You can always rely on them. We're like brothers and sisters."

The close-knit group generally meets for the two hours of practice, but they are often together for about five hours a day doing general activities.

"We don't live together, but we're pretty close despite that fact," said Brown.

Anyone who wants more information about the boxing club can contact Tyson Brown at brownnt@uwstout.edu, or come to one of the workout sessions.



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President Tyson Brown takes a body shot from club vice president Nicholas Bruer. The Boxing club has become more active in the community by helping with the organization Men in Violence Prevention.

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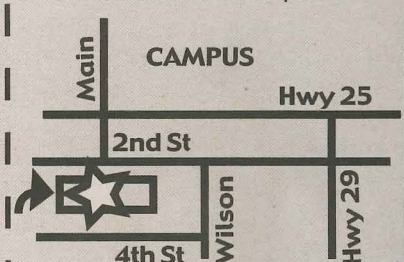
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Blue Devil Scoreboard

Baseball (3-10)

The baseball lost 7-2 against UW-Stevens Point on April 15.

Next Game:
April 8 hosting
UW-Whitewater



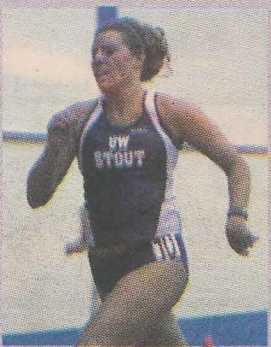
Men's Track & Field

The men's track and field team will begin their season on April 8 at UW-River Falls.



Women's Track & Field

The women's track & field team will participate in the UW-River Falls invite on April 8.



Softball (5-11)

The softball team was defeated by Northwestern 14-0 College on March 17.

Next Game:
April 8 at UW-Whitewater



Diamonds in the rough

By Casey Nold
Sports Writer

With many new faces and talents, the University of Wisconsin-Stout women's softball team has faced some challenges in the start of the season. The girls faced an upset at the Coe College Classic the weekend of March 25, but are prepared for a turnaround in the season.

Over spring break, the team traveled to Florida, where they suffered injuries and exhaustion, which was reflected by the scores in most of their games.

"The temperature change from 30 degrees to the low

90's was really hard on the players' bodies", said coach Chris Stainer.

On the first day of competition a player partially tore her MCL, and other players were suffering from pulled hamstrings and other injuries due to dehydration.

Another major upset for the girls in Florida was that senior and strong leader for the team, Megan Donley, struggled through a gall bladder attack. She left Florida to undergo surgery to have it removed.

Even though the girls had a rough time in Florida, Stainer was understanding of the issue.

"Although our record doesn't reflect it, and there were times of

'learning moments' for this young squad, I thought they handled adversity pretty well," said Stainer.

The girls, semi-recovered from Florida, and competed at Coe College two weekends ago. Although the girls walked away with two losses both days of the tournament, they put up a fight and had some good plays against their tough competitors.

On the second day of competition, the girls faced Coe College. Coe College was one of the teams the girls met in the first round of the NCAA play-offs last season, which the Blue Devils went on to win. During this reunion, UW-Stout was defeated eight to zero.

Donley was unable to participate in the Coe College tournament because she was recovering from surgery.

Her absence was noticeable because she is a great athlete and leader for the girls on the team.

"Megan is a tough competitor on the mound and at the plate, we also missed her upperclassmen leadership," said Stainer.

With seven new faces starting for the team, coach Stainer noticed times of "youthfulness" that arose during competition, especially when competing under times of pressure.

Coach Stainer and her team have discussed the past issues and look to start a new week with a new vision and focus. She is confident that the girls will start to show their true potential and that their talents will come out, turning the season around.

"The season has only begun, we are still learning as a group and our focus is on bringing it all together by the end of the season," said Stainer.

By Matt Edison
Sports Editor

The University of Wisconsin-Stout men's baseball team captured its first win on Saturday, April 1, as they traveled to the University of Wisconsin-LaCrosse.

The Blue Devils had a slow start to the season, dropping their first seven games while playing in Texas.

The Blue Devils won their first game of the season against the UW-La Crosse Eagles 10-6 but lost the second game 16-0.

On Monday, the Blue Devils traveled to UW-LaCrosse again to draw more blood from the Eagles, as they were victorious, and won both games.

In the first game, the Blue Devils' seventh, eighth and ninth

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ters contributed to the team as they all combined to go 11 for 14 in hits and rallied for 10 RBIs. Eric Johnson, a sophomore for the Blue Devils had a superb game, going four for five at the plate and scoring four runs.

Rob Heller, junior for the Blue Devils, came to life as he came in for relief in the middle

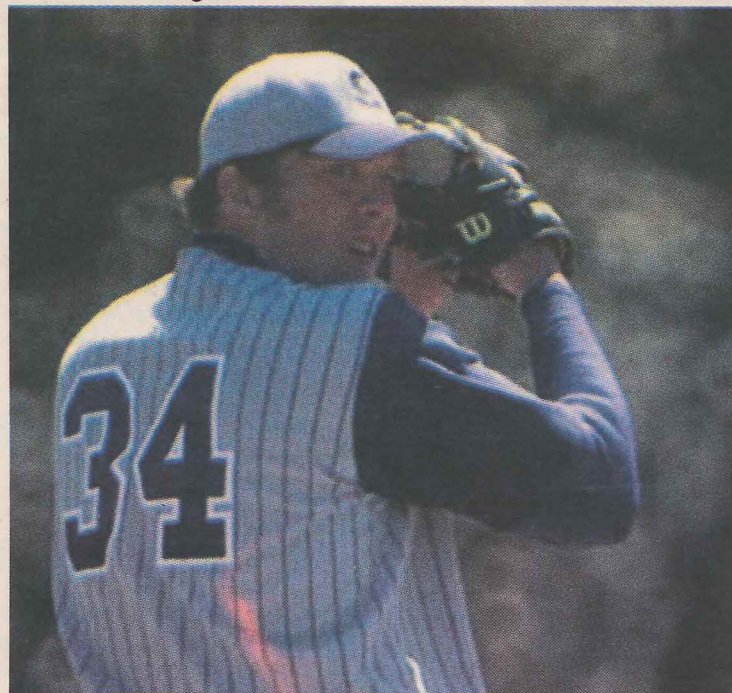
of the game, helping to capture a win for the team. Heller only allowed five hits, three runs and one walk while striking out two batters.

In the second match, pitcher Nick Klaren, a freshman, earned the win over the Eagles, as he pitched the full game. Klaren allowed 11 hits, two runs and struck out four batters.

Tanner Kattre, a freshman, hit a two-run home run in the sixth to give UW-Stout the lead for good.

During that day, six Blue Devil starters hit .400 or better. Matt Krause, a sophomore, led the team with an exceptional batting average of .714 while scoring four runs and four RBIs. Johnson also had an excellent game in which he was six for nine, scoring six runs and two RBIs.

Luke Schultz, a junior, had



Courtesy: Sports Information
Senior Matt Christman and the UW-Stout baseball team got their first win of the season when they faced UW-La Crosse on April 1.

Play Ball!

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2006-2007 SSA board sworn in

By Kristie Wilson
News Writer

As you know, the Stout Student Association (SSA) had their elections for next year's

council last Wednesday, and the winners were announced at the end of last week.

Jordan Chabalowski was elected our new president

of the SSA. The president represents the student body as a whole and is responsible for the continued operation of the student government.

"I hope to unite the student body in an effort to create a lasting sense of community that hopefully will extend beyond our stint here at UW-Stout," said Jordon Chabalowski, next year's SSA president.

Steven Anderson is now our new SSA director of legislative affairs.

"I am very proud to have won the legislative affairs election by so many votes," said Steve Anderson. "I owe my success to all my friends from the alternative spring break trip, my classmates, co-workers and my personal friends."

The director of legislative affairs is responsible for serving as a communication line between student government, local government and state and

national government.

"Experiencing these elections together forms an exciting professional relationship among the elected board members," said Anderson. "While holding this office, I hope to initiate involvement of individuals whom are interested in legislative affairs."

Our new financial affairs director is Betsy Stefan. The director of financial affairs has the responsibility of preparing and allocating budgets for various organizations on campus. That person also must manage the distribution of segregated fees on campus.

Next year's director of organizational affairs is

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Gnats invade Red Cedar Hall



Alex Van Driel/Stoutonia

Red Cedar Hall residents were in for a surprise when millions of gnats gathered by the north and south entrances of the building during the early hours of Wednesday. The residents were informed by e-mail that an exterminator will be on site Thursday to take care of the pests.

No to food consolidation

Wisconsin finds too many negative factors

Associated Press

Consolidating the food service contracts of University of Wisconsin campuses would hurt the quality of meals served to thousands of students, a new UW System review found.

Merging nine UW contracts to run food operations into one also would diminish the service on campuses and mean less revenue if fewer students and customers eat there, according to the review released Friday.

The review by UW System administrators said that applying Gov. Jim Doyle's strategy of consolidating contracts and buying in bulk would not make sense for the food service contracts which are worth \$30 million.

But Department of Administration spokesman Scott Larrivee said he was puzzled by the report because his agency had not tried to implement a statewide contract for food service.

Doyle's cost-cutting initia-

tive across state government, which contractor Silver Oak Solutions is helping to carry out, has come under fire from some agencies who question whether some of the plans make sense or will save money.

Doyle's administration predicts the effort will save \$80 million over five years.

The goal is to use the state's purchasing power to negotiate better prices in mandatory statewide contracts for items ranging from office supplies to information technology. Previously, agencies had their own deals.

Three state agencies - the Department of Justice, the State Treasurer's Office and the Department of Employee Trust Funds - have said they do not believe some savings projected under the effort will materialize.

Larrivee said the idea of consolidating food service

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'Invisible Children' film inspires local action

By Lindsey Schuldt
News Editor

Children are abducted in the middle of the night, desensitized and turned into violent soldiers by a rebel group that calls themselves the "Lord's Resistance Army" (LRA). It sounds like a horror film with a

bleak outcome, but it is in fact a reoccurring nightly situation in Northern Uganda.

The Northern Ugandan Humanitarian Outreach (NUHO) organization at UW-Eau Claire is putting together an event to raise awareness for this issue.

"On April 29, around the

nation, people are going to sleep on the streets in their cities as a way of bringing awareness to this issue," said Nikki Andrews, a student at UW-Eau Claire and a member of NUHO.

This organization was recently formed at UW-Eau Claire after a screening of the movie, "Invisible Children."

"Invisible Children" is a documentary by three young Californians, Jason Russell, Bobby Bailey and Laren Poole, who originally traveled to Uganda to find a setting for their film and instead discovered a tragic tale.

The LRA goes into homes with children as young as eight

and abducts them every night to convert them to young soldiers for their army.

"As of right now, there are 90 or so members of the community who are committed to bringing awareness to this tragedy," said Andrews. "I'm hoping there will be many more

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Michael Graney/Stoutonia

(left to right) Mai S Khang, Betsy Stefan, Morgan Olson, Steve Anderson and Jordon Chabalowski stand up to get sworn in for their new positions.

Morgan Olson. The director of organizational affairs handles all organization recognition as well as any issues with organization responsibilities.

"I have great organizational skills and want to help create new clubs at UW-Stout so that someday there will be a club to match the interests of every individual," said Morgan Olson.

Mai S Khang is next year's director of diversity. This was the only category that did not have anyone running; students

had to add a name in this category.

The director of diversity has the responsibility of addressing the issues of gender, race and religion for the UW-System, UW-Stout campus and students.

Knowing your SSA directors and what they do may help solve your problems associated with your professors, final grades, involvement or clubs and organizations.

"I encourage everyone to interact with new people as much

as possible," said Anderson "Building character will prove beneficial to your success. All of the elected individuals share a common bond."

The SSA office is located right behind the SOC desk on the lower floor of the Memorial Student Center. You can also visit their website at <http://ssa.uwstout.edu> or e-mail the SSA at ssaoffice@uwstout.edu or call 715-232-2100.

Panty thief goes to jail

By Lindsey Schuldt
News Editor

Most women and men would admit that they enjoy a cute pair of panties as much as the next person. One former student at the University of Wisconsin-Stout took this thought to a whole new level.

On Friday, April 7, Anthony Scholfield, 25, the infamous panty thief of UW-Stout, was sentenced to one year in jail for stealing women's underwear.

Although facing a possible sentence of 18 years in prison, Scholfield got a rather light sentencing. He will also have to undergo 10 years of probation as commanded by the Dunn County Circuit Court.

"It sure could have been a lot worse," said Peter Morin, Scholfield's attorney. "It's a difficult crime."

Scholfield was caught and charged with stealing 854 pairs of thong style underwear in 2003 and found guilty of burglary and theft.

Then, in February, he was caught breaking into another home and stealing more of the underwear.

The police raided his home

and found the newly stolen underwear above a tile in his ceiling. Scholfield had gotten off of probation from his previous crime only days before the second burglary.

Scholfield will now be forced to register as a sex offender because of the crimes occurring so closely together and being the exact same in nature.

Dunn County District Attorney Kris Cusick believes that Scholfield should be considered a sexual predator and this is why he must register as a sex offender.

Another part of his punishment was to undergo sex offender treatment and pay a \$2,500 fine on top of the court charges he is already facing.

At interviews following his initial arrest in 2003, Scholfield admitted to being involved in two of the three previous burglaries of 1220 6th St. E. He later admitted to involvement in the third as well.

At each of these burglaries, Scholfield admitted to taking close to 70 pairs of women's underpants in each trip to the house.

During other interviews conducted by Michael Mason at

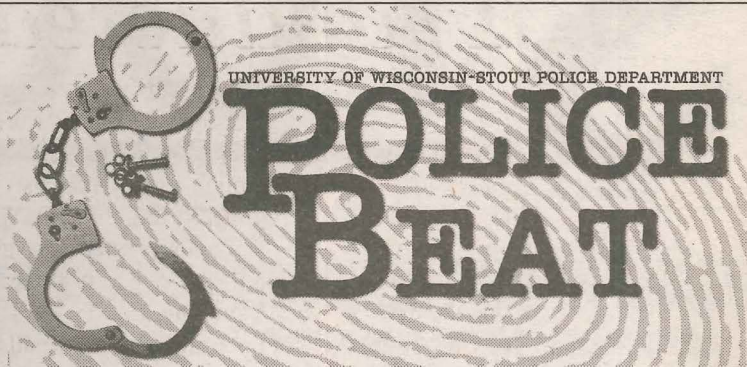
the Dunn County Jail, Scholfield admitted to having a fetish for women's underpants.

This time span included Scholfield's stay on the 2nd floor of Wigen Hall in January 2000 where he said he began stealing women's underpants. He said they were taken from random rooms that were either open or unlocked. He would enter these rooms and search the room for the garments he desired to take.

Scholfield also told Mason that through the use of Internet chatrooms, he had negotiated the exchange of a pair of his boxers for a pair of the woman's underpants in return. He believes he had received one or two pairs through this method.

Dan Nevers, a professor of Criminal Justice at the University of Wisconsin-Madison, said that this case is more than just a simple "panty raid."

"People develop sexual attractions," said Nevers. "For most of us, the attractions are legal and we control them to avoid victimizing others. Others go beyond the line of social acceptability and some, as in this case, engage in criminality."



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Possession of Marijuana: 1
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Open Container: 1
Person Prohibited from Campus: 1
Chapter 18-Disorderly Conduct: 1

Smashing windows

On Sunday, April 9, a window located on the north side of Harvey Hall was shattered.

Broken glass

On Sunday, April 9, the driver's side mirror was damaged on a vehicle in parking lot six.

Car damage

On Saturday, April 8, while parked in lot four, the driver's side of a vehicle was scratched from front to rear.

Leaking air

On Saturday, April 8, a hole was

cut into the side of a vehicle's tire in lot four.

Seven more years bad luck

On Saturday, April 8, in lot four, a vehicle's driver side mirror was damaged.

Early morning car bashing

On Saturday, April 8, the trunk, roof, rear view mirror and windshield had all been reportedly damaged by someone stomping and jumping on a vehicle. The vehicle was parked in lot 29 and the incident occurred during the early hours of the morning.

Indented door

On Saturday, April 1, someone had scratched the driver's side door and left the passenger door to a vehicle parked in lot six with some sort of sharp object. The deep and uneven scratch appeared to be intentional.

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Film / abducted

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who sign up as well."

The documentary explains how the children are desensitized to brutal violence and the killing of others. Some of the children are able to escape and hide, but the majority remain captive. They are given no education except for what the LRA teaches them. The film says that this is a war that has been going on for more than 20 years.

"This film is about thousands of children in Northern Uganda who are obligated to walk miles every night to sleep

on the streets of the cities to avoid being abducted, brainwashed, tortured and/or killed by the rebel arming," said Andrews.

On April 29, NUHO and other community members are sleeping in the parking lot of Kerm's on Water St.

For more information on the event, anyone who is interested can contact Andrews at andrewnm@uwec.edu or by phone at 715-855-2996. There is also much more information available at www.invisiblechildren.com.

Attack on Miss. Iraq

On April 9, a pageant was held to find the new Miss. Iraq. The original winner, Tamar Goregian, gave the crown back after only four days because of threats on her life. The second and third in line to get the crown also turned it down. However, Silva Shahakian, an Iraqi Christian and the fourth in line, accepted the crown and has now gone into hiding for fear that she will be targeted next. The threats came from

Islamic militants who threatened all contestants not to participate in the pageant before hand with threats of death if they didn't listen. Shahakian says this is an honor, and she won't give it up.

Music talent passes away

The youngest of the Pointer Sisters, June Pointer, died last Tuesday after a long struggle with cancer. The Pointer Sisters are best remembered for their hits in the 1970s and 1980s including, "I'm So Excited" and "Slow Hand." She was 52 and survived by her two sisters and two brothers.

Police clear Britney of abuse

After bringing her six-month-old son, Sean Preston, into the emergency room for an injury, Britney Spears received a surprise visit from the Los Angeles County Department of Children and Family Services. The sheriff's department also went to the home to make sure that there was no foul play. Britney and her husband were both cleared of any type of abuse charges, and the findings were that there was no wrong doing within the house. The baby had fallen from a high chair six days earlier and hit his head. A doctor came to their home and said nothing was

wrong, but they were worried so they brought him into the emergency room again. That is when the agents were called.

Double checking

A recent study by the Cleveland Clinic Foundation found that half of men who get vasectomies never go in for their follow-up reports as their doctors suggest. These follow-ups are to ensure that the procedure worked and that their sperm are all sterile. Doctors say this could be because of the inconsistency of the doctors who sometimes have patients come back up to five times.

Chappelle's excuse

Dave Chappelle recently said in an interview he did for Esquire magazine that he feels white people own everything. He said the reason for walking away from his show on Comedy Central last year, along with the \$50 million that would have come with doing another season, was because he felt like he was being pressured to do things that he didn't want to do, as well as apologize for things he didn't feel he needed to apologize for.

Food / more options

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contracts came up during a review of state spending, but "it's not anything that we're working on right now."

He would not say whether Silver Oak, which is earning \$263,000 a month from the state, had any plans to do so in the future.

Larrivee noted that UW campuses were exempted from a separate statewide contract to consolidate food purchases after administrators raised major concerns about the plan.

The report released Friday suggests the UW System also

would resist any effort to consolidate the nine UW campus contracts with three vendors to manage production, staffing and sales at their food centers. Four other four-year UW campuses have employees who operate their own.

Separate contracts allow the campuses to have unique programs to meet their own needs and adapt to student tastes, the report said.

The UW System regents will discuss the report at their meeting next week in Green Bay. The report said consolidating the contracts to

save money could lead to low-quality food and service that would "compromise efforts to compete for and attract students." Fewer customers would mean less revenue, it said.

UW System spokeswoman Kate Dixon said administrators did not have an estimate on whether the idea would save money, in part because Silver Oak has not "formally proposed" any plan yet. But she said a major concern is that quality would suffer.



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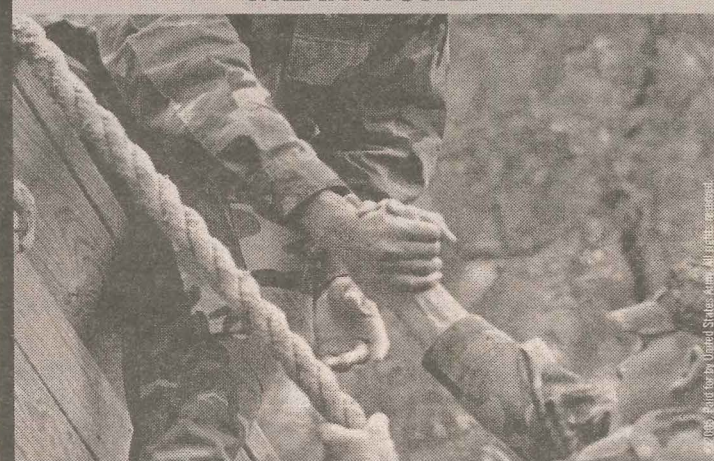
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Getting denied by Access Stout



Staff Editorial
The Stoutonia Staff

It seems that a majority of this campus has been having even more problems than normal when trying to register for classes this time around.

There are the usual problems of things not fitting into a schedule together, the classes you need not being available or Access Stout not working how you think it should.

This year, however, the biggest problem seems

to be with how Access Stout is working.

Many students are complaining about getting what is called the "Multiple Submit Warning."

This warning comes up if the submit button is hit more than once, or if Access Stout thinks that it was hit more than once, causing you to have to basically start over completely.

Although this is the biggest complaint about Access Stout, it isn't necessarily the only one.

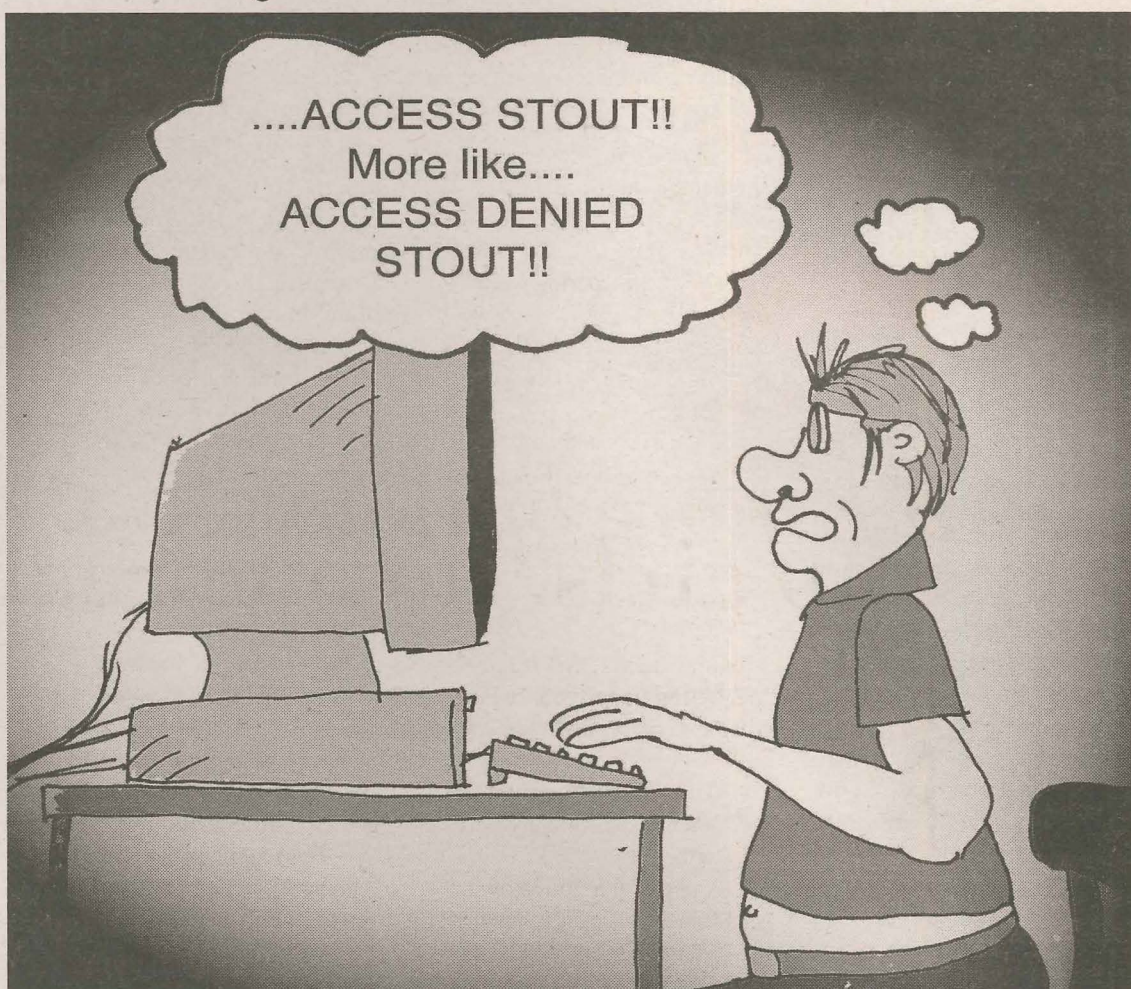
It seems that some aspects of Access Stout have not been updated for a number of years. Perhaps it is time for a change, even some new features or a new design would help.

According to the Web site, the "register for classes" feature was last modified in July 2002.

Given the rate that the rest of technology advances at, isn't it about time for an update?

When searching or registering for classes on Access Stout, the information shown appears to be quite overcrowded, making some things rather difficult to read.

Spreading the information out a little doesn't seem like it would be too difficult.



There also isn't a whole lot of information given about the different courses.

This may be a good thing to add; it would make it much easier for a student to start planning out classes, especially electives.

They wouldn't have to look at one sheet of paper

to see what courses were required for their major, one to see what general electives are required and another to explain the electives.

Since redesigning or adding different or more features could be a time-consuming task, it could be given to students to do.

One idea could be to hand it down to the multimedia students to be done as their senior project. It could also be given to computer science majors as a project.

Regardless of who does it, something needs to be done.

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Columnist

Isn't it grand that the University of Wisconsin-Stout has decided to give us time off for doing our patriotic duty of filing and paying our taxes?

Since April 15 falls on a Saturday, we are fortunate enough to be able to file taxes as late as April 17.

In order to help facilitate the filing of college students' taxes, the UW System has not only given us April 17 off but also April 14.

Now, it just happens that this is the weekend of the Christian holiday of Easter.

However, we do realize that because of the political correctness and separation between church and state, we couldn't be getting said days off for a religiously based holiday.

The UW System also recognizes that taxes aren't a

popular subject, so they call it Spring Holiday. A shame we can't call it what it really is, tax weekend.

Every year I file my taxes. Some years I get a refund; some years I owe the government money.

Either way, I accept that responsibility as mine for being a citizen of the United States of America. It is a responsibility we all should embrace and enjoy.

Now that we have done our duty of paying our government, the government has a responsibility to use the money collected frugally.

For example, in programs that try to expand our understanding, try to equalize the inherent inequalities in our system and to provide necessary services which our economic system depends on (like highway maintenance).

What would be really nice is if the government told us, the people who are the government's employers (even if you work for the government, you still pay taxes, and therefore become your own boss), how the money is spent.

I would like to see easily understood breakdowns of gov-

ernmental spending by departments, with more data available on further demand.

The media would have a responsibility to report such items and encourage the people to read more about it.

The biggest danger to the current governmental system is an informed populace, populace which can make up its own mind on the spin it is being fed. A populace the government serves from fear of retribution through election results.

Seeing how much of the wages I work for go to our government, I feel a little bit ripped off for what I gain. There is not a national health care plan I can utilize; I spend more money on health insurance, prescription medications and basic maintenance for this frail human body.

Even though I have been putting a large chunk of my paychecks into a retirement system, there isn't a guarantee that I will be able to retire.

How do we solve these problems?

First, we make taxes easy and simple and discard the complicated provisions in tax law that create loopholes for

citizens and corporations to avoid paying taxes.

Secondly, we have the media issue a full report of how the tax dollars are being spent, what on and why.

Thirdly, we all take a vital interest in our government and get out of the mindset that one is either a Republican or a Democrat. Rather we are all individuals who vote for the candidate that best represents our individualistic views.

The final point is simple: public relations work. The government and media need to launch a program explaining taxes and the purpose of the IRS.

This will demystify the tax code and tell people and corporations where the money goes. This will make it a patriotic duty to pay taxes and be honest, truthful and forthright with tax filings.

Ideally, it will make paying taxes as cool as voting, though efforts to get the populace to care and vote seem doomed to fail.

We need to make it cool so we can afford the services the government provides and criticize it where it fails.

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Wanting April Fools' issue

My name is Melissa Robinson (formerly Benish). My husband, Eric, and I are both Stout Alumni. We both try to read *The Stoutonia* online weekly, and when I realized it was April Fools' time, the first thing I thought of was "I have to remember to read *The Stoutonia* this week!"

I used to work for *The Stoutonia* from 1996-98ish, and I remember how much fun it was to do the April Fools' issue. And after it came out hearing everybody whispering to each other "is that true?" when we morphed the Vice Chancellor's head onto Demi Moore's pregnant body.

It's always been my favorite issue, and I have to say I'm

quite disappointed about the decision to skip it this year. I understand it's the students' money that pays for it, but why not poll the students in an earlier issue?

As a former student, I read *The Stoutonia* for entertainment, rarely for newsworthy issues. And I love Police Beat. (No one was given permission to slash the tires) And the April Fools' issue was the most entertaining one!

Please, please, please don't disappoint me again next year! Bring back the April Fools' issue! In a world that is getting so serious and depressing with all the crime and wars, we need a little humor to deal with the day to day reality of the life that surrounds us.

Thanks so much for listening!

Melissa Robinson
2001 Graduate

Joke's not on readers

It was a good choice to dump the April Fools' Edition.

When you announce your intentions to the intended target before the joke or prank, it is no longer funny.

The real joke was on the staff because of the many years it took for you guys to realize the April Fools' edition was not funny.

Scott Jungmann
1994 Graduate

ChapStick support group



Matt Schubbe
Columnist

My roommate recently came back from the local dollar store with a little surprise for me.

Remembering how much I love Pez candy, he found something that he thought I would like.

I love and cherish anything Pez related he finds, and the Pez ChapStick that he brought back that day was no exception. It smelled just like pink Pez candy, so much so that I was tempted to lick it. This got me thinking.

I thought back to my younger days, in the heyday of LipSmackers and other Bonne Belle lip balms, when every girl had at least 20 different flavors of one of these brands.

I tried to remember what all of those flavors were and dwelled fondly on flavors like chocolate and peppermint bon bon, remembering that they smelled like they sounded.

They were all so convincing, and, just like my Pez ChapStick, I wanted to take a bite out of them.

So, what am I getting at? As usual, my setup threatens to supercede my actual point, so I'll get right to it: Making such convincing ChapStick scents is a cruel, cruel joke on those who, like myself, associate taste and smell together so closely.

I'm serious. I shouldn't be getting hungry when I'm next to someone applying ChapStick.

This is such a problem for me that, should they ever make a butter flavored lip balm, I'll probably rub it on some toast out of sheer curiosity.

The worst part is that I can't get them to stop tricking me with all of these enticing, waxy little tubes.

I'm sure the ChapStick industry has some friends in high places that would probably have me rubbed out if I tried to change the way they manufacture their product. So what am I to do?

Well, from what I've heard, a good way to help yourself is to help others with a similar problem. That's why I'm starting a support group of sorts for people who have compulsions not unlike my own.

If you've ever had an uncontrollable urge to eat something you knew you weren't supposed to eat, but smelled like it should be eaten, feel free to contact me.

I suppose I should create some kind of 12-step program to go along with this.

I don't think I'll have all 12 steps ready in time for the first meeting, but I think that the first step will be something along the lines of "apologize to anyone whom you have hurt whilst eating non-food stuffs based on olfactory misconception."

Yeah, that sounds good. See you all at the meeting.

Grow up girls, no one really cares



Lindsey Shuldt
News Editor

The endless circle of female aggression is driving me crazy.

"Oh ... my ... God ... did you see what she was wearing?"

"Puh-leez, like that tan came from spring break."

"It looks like she fell off the top of the ugly tree and hit every branch on the way down ... and then someone beat her with the ugly stick at the bottom."

Let's be honest for a moment, shall we?

You don't like her clothes because you probably couldn't fit into them.

Instead of looking at her and criticizing her, why don't you give her a compliment

without watching her leave and whispering under your breath what a whore you're sure she has to be.

Women have the right to look hot without being whores. Deal with it.

And that tan you know is so fake, well, you're right. We live in Wisconsin. The sun doesn't come out and bronze our bodies in the middle of January. So sue her for wanting to look like a tan goddess all year long. Get over it.

And the ugly comment? No one is that ugly. Even God has a sense of humor and he isn't going to be using it on the faces of the girls you don't like.

I know some girls cake makeup on like there may not be time in the next 20 years to reapply it, but honestly, who cares?

If you have nothing better to do than find faults with everyone but yourself, then puh-leez, do us all a favor and go get married to some rich man whose fame allows you

to make an ass of yourself on a reality TV show.

Have you ever seen a man look at another man and say, "Doesn't he look like he's gained a little weight?"

Then there are the friends who hate each other. It makes my head hurt to think about. You know who they are, and you know if you're one of them.

The ones that smile a lot around each other and promise they'll be bestest friends forever! Yay!

It makes you want to go bake cupcakes and spread a little bit of sunshine and pink ponies all over the horizon. Puh-leez. Grow up.

All of your friends will have fat days.

All of your friends will have bad hair days.

All of your friends will have wardrobe malfunctions and some of your friends may even be whorish from time to time.

We're women. It's in our nature to be petty, naggy, insecure and bitchy, among

other things. But we did this to ourselves.

When we were little, I never remember seeing one of my best friends and thinking, "If you wear those Oshkosh overalls one more time I am going to pull my hair out."

I am so over trying to be cool.

I don't care who does or doesn't want to be my friend. I'm here. I have a personality and real opinions. If you like them, talk to me. If you don't, save us both the time.

Anyone who has any kind of success is going to be loved by some and hated by others. There's no denying it comes with the territory.

So if we could stop living by middle school standards where you can't sit next to the overweight girl unless it's to report back to your friends on how she smells, I think all of us would be a little happier and the world might actually be a better place.

But until then, puh-leez, get over yourself.

Understanding the opposite sex



Ryan Scheuerman and Becca Oosterhouse

What's with all this tension between males and females? Why can't we just understand what the other person is actually trying to say?

It's like we are speaking two different languages. Well, we're going to try to answer some of these mind-boggling questions.

Ryan: One thing that really bothers me is when we screw up and don't necessarily know what we did.

Maybe it's something we said when we were really drunk and we wake up the next morning and assume everything is fine.

Why is it that you never tell us what exactly we did, you just

leave it to us to figure out? Are you trying to think of something while we are kicking ourselves in the butt for it or what?

Becca: First of all, if we get mad at you, there's a reason. Now, I am willing to admit that it might not always be a great one, but there is a reason.

If we just told you what it was without you really knowing what you did, it doesn't mean as much.

You need to know and understand what you did and why it bothered us. Mostly, so you don't make the same mistake again, because if you repeat a mistake, we are likely to get madder at you each time you do it.

What I don't understand is why you feel the need to watch every single sporting event that is broadcast on television. I mean, really, how much "Sports Center" can one person watch in a day?

Don't get me wrong, I enjoy my share of football and basket-

ball games, but I don't feel the need to watch all of them. I only need to watch the games with teams that I want to win.

I also understand that there are some games that are just "good games." But why watch ALL of them? Couldn't you just go online the next day and check to see who won? (Of course, I'm sure they'll have that on "Sports Center" too.)

Ryan: It's our downtime, a moment to bond. If you just watch the teams you like, how are you supposed to understand your competition. You have to know the players specs. Besides, how are you supposed to bet on teams in pools for the next season?

Sure, you can read the scores the next day, but how are you going to make an educational guess listening to some Joe Schmo?

Finally, when we ask what's wrong, you say nothing. But if we leave it at that, it's not good enough.

We get yelled at for not caring, but if we look too far into it, it's just nosey and annoying.

My conclusion is that we can't win. We die younger, now we have a better idea why.

Becca: Sometimes, we just want to be mad. Whether or not it is your fault doesn't always matter. There are times when we just want to be angry, we just want to cry and we just want to be left alone, perhaps with some ice cream and a sappy movie.

Or maybe it's what you like to refer to as "that time of the month." It's like there's a game to see how many problems you can blame on this. Well, here's a little newsflash, it's not "that time" every time we get upset about something.

We probably won't ever completely understand the opposite sex, but maybe we can at least come to an agreement on some things.

An exceptional display of hip hop



William Butchee/Stoutonia

Four members of the Doomtree crew, (Above, left to right: P.O.S., Lazerbeak, Dessa and Cecil Otter) opened for Heiruspecs last Wednesday night during a show rich in hip hop goodness. The variety and energy of the performances did not disappoint UW-Stout students, who were treated to a show that was definitely worth their time.



Jarrod Burns

Entertainment Writer

Live music events are not something I strive to frequent. On the rare occasion that I see a live show, it had better be worth my time. Last Wednesday, Blue Devil Productions presented a free concert featuring Heiruspecs with opening act Doomtree. Venturing out to see this performance was definitely worth it.

I heard Heiruspecs for the first time a couple years ago when they played the outdoor concert, "Throw Parties not

Bombs," on the lawn next to the Memorial Student Center. I liked what I heard and sought out some of their recordings as well as music by other Twin Cities hip hop artists. Since then, Atmosphere has played at UW-Stout along with P.O.S. of Doomtree, but I have been most eagerly waiting for the return of Heiruspecs to our campus.

Before Heiruspecs took the stage, however, I was witness to a performance by five of the members of the Doomtree crew. The emcees that performed each had their own style while being backed by each other.

The variety of lyrical styles was interesting, but the relatively small audience was constantly in need of energizing, mostly by emcee P.O.S. re-

minding the crowd to keep their hands up and sporadically shout out, "Doomtree." The crowd had no problem responding to a few songs—specifically, the few led by P.O.S. and the finale in which emcee Sims dropped down from the stage and rapped from the floor. Another noteworthy performance was an especially skillful high-speed verse from female emcee Dessa, whose on-stage persona is energetic to say the least.

After Doomtree's set, the stage was set up for Heiruspecs' unique live show. Opting for live music rather than a sampler and turntables, Heiruspecs proved a stark contrast—not only to their opening act, but also to the conventions of hip hop. The group consists of a drummer, a bassist,

a keyboardist and vocalists Felix and Muad'Dib. During this performance a guitarist, who would comically lead a short blues instrumental later in the show, also accompanied them. This stunt was vowed by Felix to never happen again.

Immediately upon taking stage, Felix began involving the growing audience. For one song, Felix asked for the name of a rapper who was deserving of lyrical justice, and while I would have liked to hear Mike Jones being ripped into, the dishonor went to Jermaine Dupri.

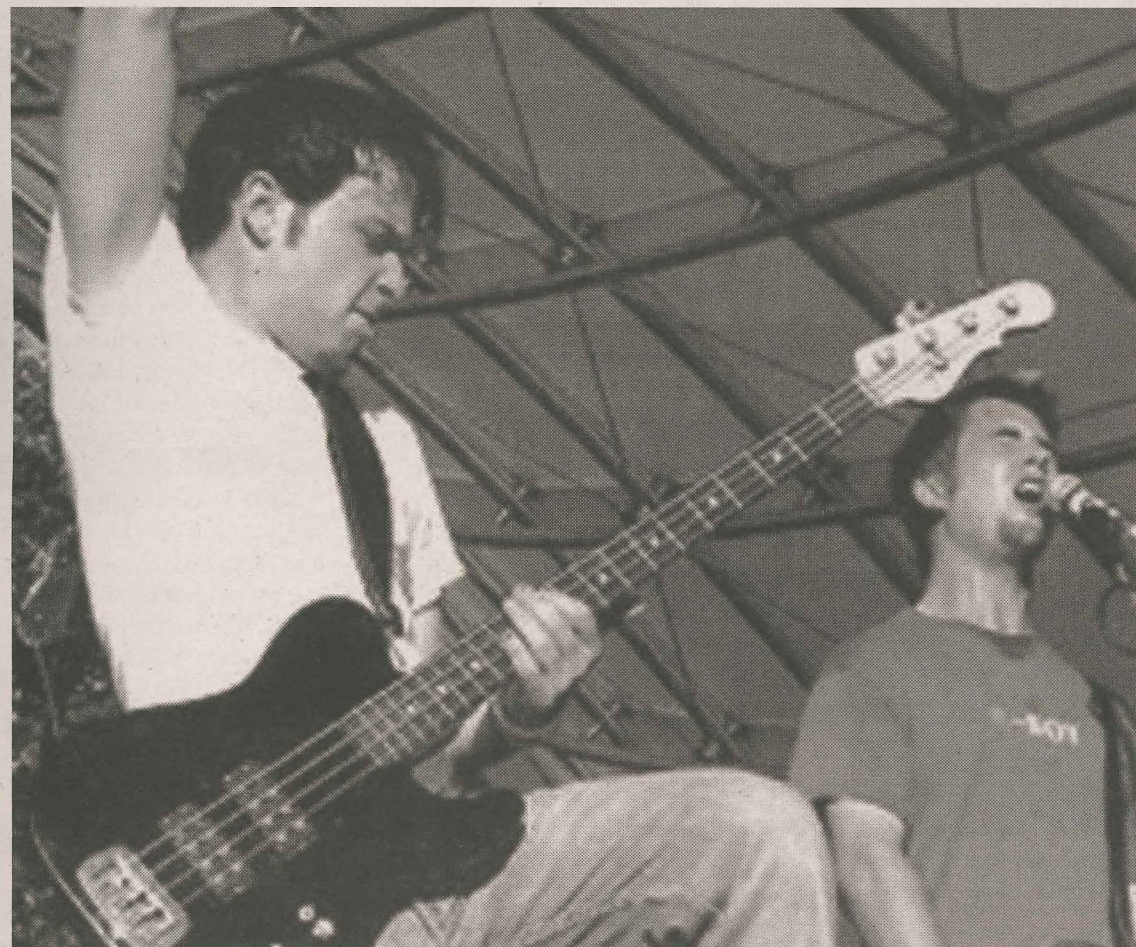
The set was well balanced between music and lyrics. In what I would consider a highlight of the show, there was a battle of beats between the drummer and Muad'Dib's jaw-

dropping beat-box skills. The thumping bass coming from the fingers of the bassist was a perfect backdrop for the potent rhymes, and anyone who considers himself or herself a fan of Atmosphere and hasn't listened to this group should listen to them immediately.

Emcee Felix has a voice similar to Atmosphere's Slug, but with the addition of the powerful emcee Muad'Dib and the three-piece band, I would argue that Heiruspecs put on a better show than Atmosphere.

Overall, every artist that performed made great music, and it would do you good to see Doomtree and Heiruspecs the next chance you get. At the very least, I'd recommend giving their recordings a listen.

Pop punk and a trip down memory lane



Source: www.music.com

Courtesy of Blue Devil Productions, Quietdrive headlined a night of pop punk on Thursday, April 6. Overall, the night was a nice trip down memory lane, though pop punk perhaps is best left to nostalgia.



Mike Ryan

Entertainment Writer

On Thursday, April 6, those that attended Blue Devil Productions' presentation of headliner Quietdrive were whisked away to the days of early high school, when bands like New Found Glory were still relatively unpopular and Good Charlotte's lead singer's dad had not yet left his family. These were the days of pop punk, in all its glory.

Kicking off the show was Down and Above, a trio that I would compare to Jimmy Eat World. Of the three bands, this was my favorite. Their lead singer, a man who appeared to be just a bit too old to still be rocking out on power chords for misguided teens, demonstrated some impressive skills and an impressive vocal range.

Although the drummer was

nondescript, it was evident that the bassist and guitar player had a deep-rooted relationship, and many of their onstage conversations revealed to the crowd that they truly were best friends. It was a welcome display of warmth that enhanced the performance.

Next was The Sweet Nothings. I really don't know what to say about these guys. They were energetic but aside from that, there really isn't much I can say to praise them.

When Quietdrive took the stage, they were, if nothing else, professional. They clearly knew what they were doing, and they had strong song writing skills.

A five piece band, Quietdrive utilized what they had to create a sound similar to (and I hate to say this) Fall Out Boy. I hate Fall Out Boy, but it's all I've got to compare them to. Overall, the show was an entertaining trip down memory lane.

However, I soon remembered that memory lane, when traced back far enough, is an unbearably annoying road. It reminds me a lot of pop punk.

Cooking up good stuff



Matt Schubbe
Entertainment Writer

I was more than delighted last week when I was asked to do a—oh, what's the phrase I'm looking for—round up of interesting shows on the Food Network. Not only do I already enjoy a couple of shows on this network, but I have a younger brother who pretty much loves the Food Network, so I've been exposed to my fair share of programming from the channel over the past few years.

That being said, I'm not going to talk about "Emeril" or "Iron Chef" in this article. These shows have gotten enough press as it is, and any observations I would make would only reiterate past praises and criticisms. But hey, any TV channel that would hire Marc Summers to host anything is cool in my book.

And speaking of Mr. Double Dare, I heartily enjoy his show on the Food Network entitled, "Unwrapped." It's a far cry from his game shows of yesteryear (no one even gets slimed) but it's a

very good investigation of where common, everyday foods actually come from and who makes them.

If you ever wanted to know who makes atomic fireballs or who is the largest cotton candy manufacturer in America, then this show will satisfy your curiosity.

Then there is "Every Day Italian," hosted by Giada De Laurentiis. This show's food isn't as interesting as Laurentiis' confounding appearance.

Laurentiis has the largest discrepancy between head and body size that I have ever seen. Seriously. I rarely remember what she's cooking because her enormous head just distracts me so much.

The last show I want to talk about is probably my favorite: "Good Eats, with Alton Brown." This is basically the "Myth Busters" of cooking shows, in that Brown takes a look at not only how to prepare a delicious meal but scientifically examines why the meal is so tasty.

Combining this knowledge with wit and some very well done theme episodes (like an episode about coconut cooking on a desert island), Brown truly does deliver "good eats." If you watch any show on Food Network, make it this one.

"Christ" for our times

University musical a successful allegory



Justin Emry
Entertainment Writer

The UW-Stout Drama Club's presentation of "Jesus Christ Superstar" draws numerous parallels between modern day Israel and the turmoil of Christ's era.

Dr. James Miller's brilliant adaptation of the musical sheds new light on a traditional subject, providing the story of "Jesus Christ Superstar" with a newfound relevancy and thought-provoking realism.

In Dr. Miller's adaptation, Christ was portrayed as the revolutionary leader of his time, possessing human qualities not unlike contemporary civil rights leaders, such as Martin Luther King Jr. Non-violent Gandhiesque undertones were evident throughout the play, providing yet another facet of contemporary parallelism.

The distinct socio-religious divisions of Christ's time bore powerful similarities to the present day Palestinian-Israeli conflict.

America finds its role in this latest adaptation of "Superstar" to be that of imperial Rome.

The torture and primacy that current Abu Ghraib "terror suspects" are treated with closely resembles the crucifix-

ion of Christ. The most notable of these similarities contained in Dr. Miller's play—would be the 39 electric shocks that Christ—here portrayed with the likeness of a terrorist suspect—receives, a symbolic stand-in for the 39 lashes of the whip that happened prior to the Christian account of the holy crucifixion.

Further modernization was implemented to various degrees within the content of the play. Rather than being portrayed as humble servants, Christ's apostles were cast as notable revolutionary figures in their own right.

To add yet another modern relevancy, the roles of Pontius Pilate and the disciple Simon were cast as powerful female figures.

Another dimension of contemporary imagery occurred at the end of the first act with a slide show featuring images of Robert Kennedy, Gandhi and other political figures whose lives were cut short by assassination.

"Jesus Christ Superstar" concluded solemnly as the disciples dropped their arms and reached for their lighters, striking a light in the name of Christ, who lay before them on the cross.

It is this imagery that most clearly demonstrates the value of acceptance and the dangers of political and religious imperialism that face our nation.

An archaic form of brutality and obscenity still exists in our world and we justify it in the name of our security. "Jesus Christ Superstar" asks the question, "Is there another way?"

Rascal goes a little flatt



Source: www.wma.com

Country music's answer to The Backstreet Boys, Rascal Flatts' latest release, "Me and My Gang," never quite rises above mediocrity. The album largely fails to generate a single honest emotion.



Michael Graney
Entertainment Writer

"Me and My Gang," the new album from country music chart topper Rascal Flatts, has a rather flat, manufactured feel to it. When the trio tries to get across emotion, I am struck

with a feeling that the instrumentals of the songs just don't fit the lyrics.

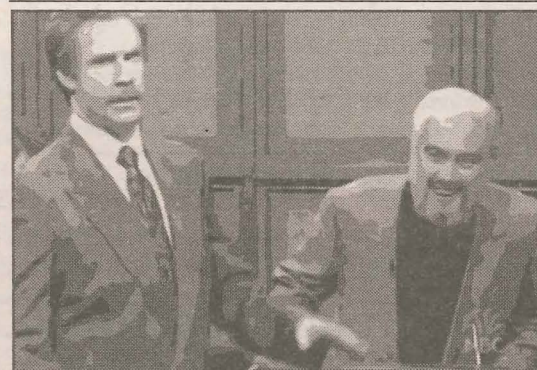
The imagery evoked in the lyrics would fit better in an emo song with a slower, more poignant feel than the country beat Rascal Flatts uses. Other songs come across as manufactured for a popular release. Emotion is missing in the album.

The album simply lacked passion. For the most part the songs were predictable and the emotions behind them were forced. One song struck me as interesting

because I have personally experienced the matter being referenced.

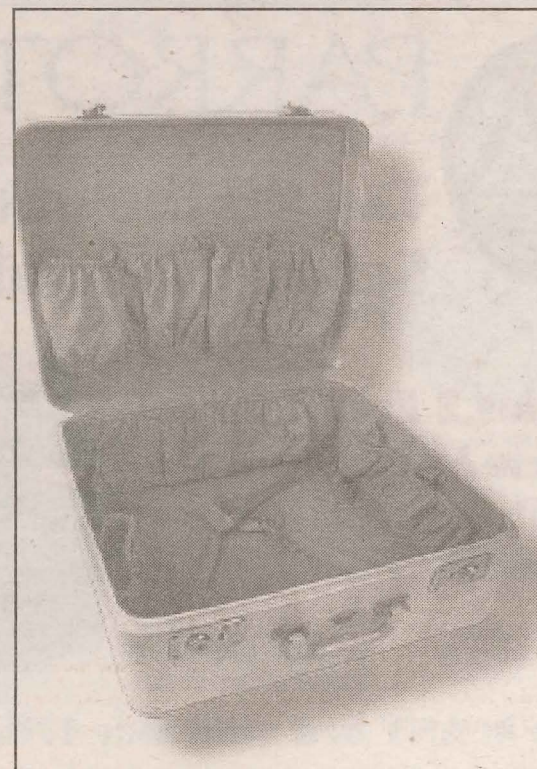
That said, this album isn't the worst thing I have ever heard. The feel is of something that is mass-produced, sort of like the country equivalent of the Backstreet Boys.

The album never rises above mediocrity and is nowhere near what I would consider an example of artistry. It is an example of an artisan, someone who could make art, but is put in a situation where the artistry is forced into a fixed mold.



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>Max Allen Band, The Mousetrap, 10 p.m., Free.
>Moonshine, Klassix, 9 p.m., Free.

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>The Northwoods Band, The Mousetrap, 10 p.m., Free.
>Moonshine, Klassix, 9 p.m., Free.
>The Twerps, Tailgates, 9:30 p.m., Free.

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>The Adam Braatz Quartet, Stones Throw, 9:30 p.m., Free.

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>Open Mic, The Mousetrap, 10 p.m., Free.
>Lucy Creek Blues Band, Klassix, 8 p.m., Free.

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>Vinyl Vensday, House of Rock, 8 p.m., Free.
>Jeff Ray, The Mousetrap, 10 p.m., Free.

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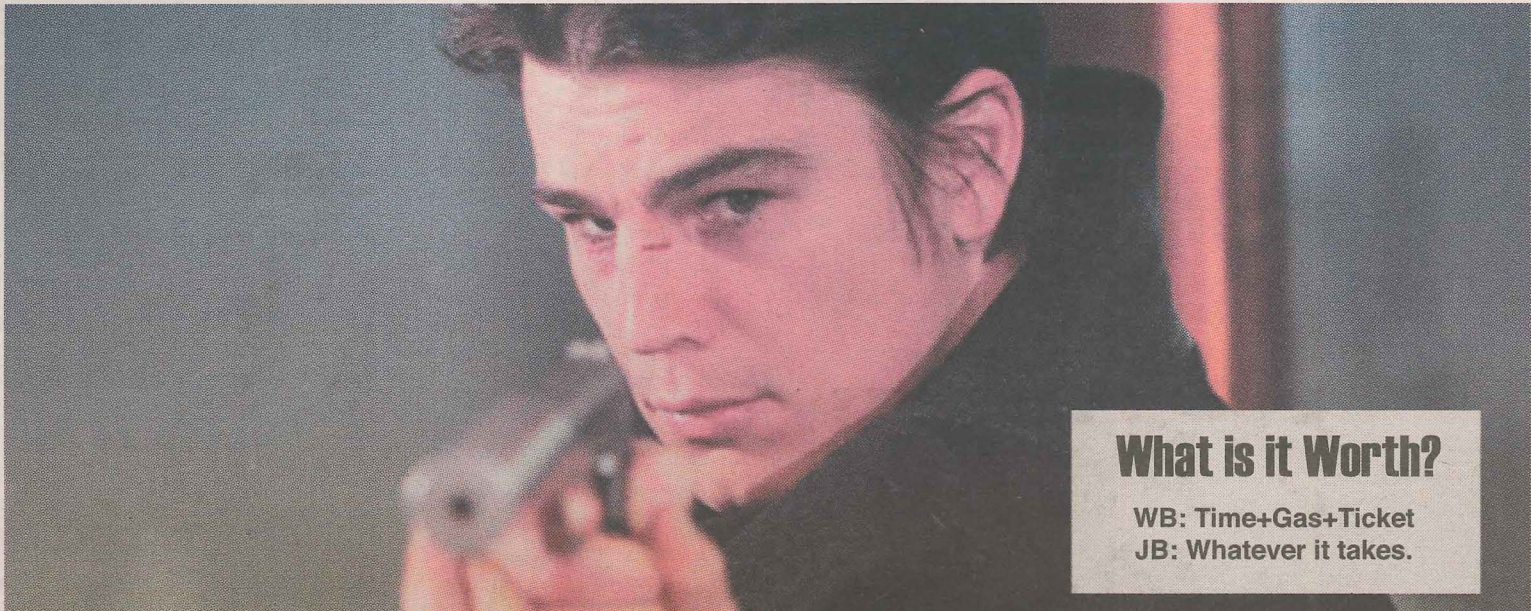
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What is it Worth?

WB: Time+Gas+Ticket
JB: Whatever it takes.

Source: www.rottentomatoes.com

Here we see Josh Hartnett doing his best James Bond impression during "Lucky Number Slevin." A strong and quirky crime movie in the tradition of "Pulp Fiction," the supporting cast included Morgan Freeman, Sir Ben Kingsley, Bruce Willis and Lucy Liu.

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Jarrod Burns and William Butchee
Entertainment Writers

While visiting a friend in New Jersey, *Slevin* (Josh Hartnett) is mistaken for his friend Nick, who is missing and in a lot of trouble.

Nick apparently fled town owing large amounts of money to both the rival crime bosses of the city (Morgan Freeman and Sir Ben Kingsley), and now *Slevin* is left holding the bag.

To further complicate things, *Slevin* falls in love with one of Nick's quirky neighbors (Lucy Liu) and is being stalked by a world-class assassin (Bruce Willis).

JB: A movie is only as good as its characters, and "Lucky Number Slevin" has some of the best characters in a crime film since "Snatch" or "Pulp Fiction."

The characters made the movie, but every other element of the film was nearly flawless as well.

After seeing trash like "Firewall" and even good films like "16 Blocks" and "The Inside Man," "Lucky Number Slevin" tops my list of this year's best movies.

WB: Surrounded by an exceptionally strong supporting cast, including Morgan Freeman, Sir Ben Kingsley and Bruce Willis, the main character, *Slevin*, played by Josh Hartnett, is fortunately able to keep pace with both his costars and with the strong dialogue.

The story revolves around *Slevin* becoming entangled with two organized crime outfits that keep bringing him in to answer the simple question, "Where's my money?"

When *Slevin* tries to explain his predicament to his friend's neighbor, played by Lucy Liu, she decides to play detective, which in turn generates even more disturbing questions.

JB: The film's writing is nearly perfect. The witty dialogue is acted more naturally than in many of the films that try to use rapid-fire responses from all of the characters.

While some of the events may be predictable, the film definitely has some twists that will keep you guessing.

The direction of Paul McGuigan, whose résumé includes such highly stylized films as "Gangster No. 1" and "The Reckoning," nicely compliments the fresh writing.

WB: To keep from losing focus on the story, flashy editing was kept to a minimum and only used to emphasize emotionally charged and tense scenes.

The framing of the shots is what makes this movie truly stand out with an original look.

To compliment the deliberate shooting style, the musical score is intentionally used sparingly.

JB: The art direction was excellent. Attention is purposely drawn toward elements of the setting that add to the characters' personalities and to the personality of the film itself.

WB: "Lucky Number Slevin" perfects what has been done in previous films while adding its own flavor.

The style of the film is generously laced with dark comedy and the story is slick, smart and quickly paced.

You may notice that this film is not currently being shown in Menomonie.

If you get the chance, it is worth the drive to Eau Claire.



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Take back the night

By Jennifer Gauthier
Campus Writer

People might expect a free concert for violence prevention might only draw a few die-hard feminists and friends of the band. However, a surprising number of people, of a significant variety,



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(left to right) Matt Baxley, Scott Prihoda, Nathan Abuan, Katie Leong and Jacob Karkula loved being on stage.

attended the Take Back the Night concert to see Prihoda on Monday, April 11, in the Recreation center of the Memorial Student Center.

Take Back the Night, an event meant to raise awareness about interpersonal violence, was sponsored by the organizations University of Wisconsin-Stout Violence

Prevention Project, Out at Stout and Men in Violence Prevention.

The event was put on by the human development and family studies majors from the Abuse and the Family class, and they hope the tradition will be continued. This year was the biggest turnout for Take Back the Night at UW-Stout. Sixty people came to listen and show their support for the cause.

"Everyone benefits from Take Back the Night," said Katie Knutson, a senior and lead coordinator of the event, majoring in human development and family studies.

"We try to break through stereotypes and help everyone become aware that any interpersonal violence meant to women, women to men, men to men, women to women, adults to children and children to children is unacceptable, hurtful and does exist," said Knutson.

Native American issues

By Renee Currington
Campus Editor

University of Wisconsin-Stout students and Menomonie community members crowded into Ballroom B in the Memorial Student Center to see a speaker who came all the way from Rapid City, South Dakota, on Monday, April 11.

Presenter Carole Anne Heart came to UW-Stout to speak about Native American history and contemporary Native American youth issues.

Heart, executive director of the Aberdeen Area Tribal Chairman's Health Board, talked about the lack of education on Native

American history and culture in American schools. She spoke of a time when she was very young and knew little about the history of her own people.

Heart was born and raised on a reservation in South Dakota. When she was six years old, she was taught that Columbus discovered America.

"I remember thinking 'what about us who [already] lived here,'" said Heart, referring to the native people who were here when Columbus landed. "I was starting to think we weren't really people."

According to Heart, early Native Americans had thrived in cities as large as 50,000 people,

lived in apartment and condo structures and established shopping centers. She said Native Americans also invented staple foods such as corn and potatoes.

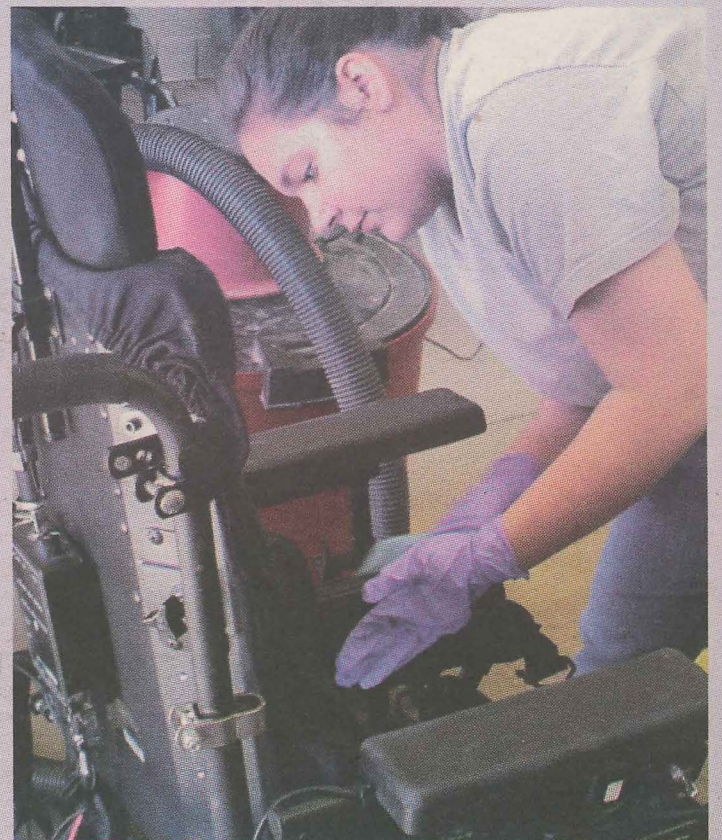
Heart talked about Native American history and issues they have faced since the arrival of Columbus. She said 95 percent of the native population was wiped out by disease epidemics.

"One of the most important concerns for Native Americans is health," said Heart.

Many easily equate Native American culture with alcoholism because it has been a problem on so many reservations.

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Mobility Wash



Courtesy: Vocational Rehabilitation Club

The University of Wisconsin-Stout Vocational Rehabilitation Club sponsored their second annual Mobility Wash on Saturday, April 8, between 1 p.m. and 4 p.m.

The event was open to any students or community members with disabilities to have their wheelchairs or motorized carts cleaned.

"It's an important part of their hygiene," said Mallory Hall (shown above), club president and vocational rehabilitation senior. "These people constantly sit in those chairs every day."

According to club members, people who rely on mo-

torized assistance have few opportunities to have deep cleaning and vacuuming done for free.

"To them, it's like getting a new pair of shoes," said Ross Keveles, a vocational rehabilitation senior.

Those who ran the Mobility Wash said more people came this year than last year. Some of them came from group homes in the community.

"It's really exciting to see their faces as we clean for them," said Hall, who said that some of them were unable to speak, but showed their appreciation with smiling faces.

Try these tasty and healthy alternatives to plain beef burgers

By Amanda Schroeder
Campus Writer

Have you ever wondered why a hamburger is called a hamburger when it's not made out of ham? In fact, although some burgers are made out things like turkey, chicken or even fish or vegetables, most burgers are made out of beef.

Unlike in the United States, hamburgers are more logically called beefburgers in the United Kingdom. But where did the name come from? There is some debate, but Hamburg, Germany, is credited for the precursor to the hamburger. They called ground flattened beef a hamburger steak, which eventually became the hamburger.

There are many claims to the invention of the modern hamburger. One theory is that in 1885 Charlie Nagreen of Seymour, Wisc., tried selling fried meatballs at the Outagamie County Fair. People had a hard time eating them, so he flattened the meatballs into patties and called them hamburgers.

To this day, Seymour is home to the Hamburger Hall of Fame and the world's largest hamburger. The hamburger weighs 8,226 lbs. The first cheeseburger appeared in 1924 in California.

There is quite an interesting

history to the hamburger, but not only that, hamburgers taste great, and now is the season for grilling out and burgers. Hamburgers also have some good nutrition. Becky Lightfoot, a senior in the retail merchandis-

ing and management program, said, "Burgers are big and juicy and full of protein."

For this grilling season, instead of the same old burgers, try some of these interesting variations on the traditional burger.

Gyros Burgers

This delicious burger is great served on warm pitas with tzatziki sauce, thinly sliced onions and tomatoes. Serve with french fries or chips. This recipe is courtesy of www.allrecipes.com.

Delicious Turkey Burgers

If you are looking for a healthier, but just as tasty version of a hamburger, try this turkey burger. This would be great with fresh tomatoes, lettuce and avocado served on a whole-wheat bun. This recipe is courtesy of www.allrecipes.com.

1 1/5 lbs ground turkey
1/8 cup seasoned bread crumbs
1/8 cup chopped onion
1 egg white, lightly beaten
2 Tbsp. freshly chopped parsley
1 clove garlic, peeled and minced
1/2 tsp. salt
1/8 tsp. ground black pepper
1 Tbsp. Worcestershire sauce

1. In a large bowl, combine all ingredients and form into 6 patties.
2. Cook the patties in a medium skillet over medium heat or on a grill, turn once, and cook to an internal temperature of 180 degrees.
3. Serve on buns with lettuce, tomatoes, a pickle spear and chips.



1/2 lb ground lamb
1/2 lb ground beef
1/2 onion, grated
2 cloves garlic, chopped
1 slice bread, toasted and crumbled
1/2 tsp. dried savory
1/2 tsp. ground allspice
1/2 tsp. ground coriander
1/2 tsp. salt
1/2 tsp. pepper
1 dash ground cumin

Tzatziki Sauce:

4 ounces yogurt
1 Tbsp. olive oil
1/2 tsp. lemon juice
1/4 tsp. salt
1/4 tsp. pepper
1 Tbsp. fresh chopped dill
2 cloves garlic, chopped
1/2 small cucumber, finely chopped

1. Combine ingredients and knead until mixture is stiff. Shape into very thin patties 1/8 to 1/4 inch thick.
2. Cook patties on the grill or on the stove until cooked through, flipping once. Serve with tzatziki sauce on warm pitas.
3. For the sauce, combine all ingredients and spoon over the Gyro burgers.

Hidden Secret Burgers

This thick burger is great served with a hearty bun and chips or fries. Your unsuspecting guests will be delightfully surprised when they bite into the burger and find cheese and spice. This recipe is courtesy of www.allrecipes.com.

1 lb ground beef
1/2 onion, finely chopped
1 egg, beaten
1 tsp. hot pepper sauce
1 Tbsp. dry bread crumbs
1 tsp. paprika
1 tsp. dried parsley
Salt and pepper to taste
1/3 cup shredded Monterey Jack cheese
1/2 fresh red Chile pepper, finely chopped
4 slices jalapeño pepper, finely chopped

1. Preheat oven to 350 degrees.
2. In a bowl, mix the ground beef, onion, egg, bread crumbs and hot pepper sauce. Season with paprika, parsley, salt and pepper. In a separate bowl, mix the cheese and peppers together.
3. Form the beef mixture into four balls and form a well into the center of each ball. Stuff with equal amounts of the cheese mixture. Press meat around the filling to seal the ball.
4. Arrange on a baking sheet, and press gently into thick patties.
5. Bake for 20 minutes in the preheated oven, turning once, or until done.

Recent world literature course offered

By Heidi Sleep
Campus Writer

There will be a new literature course offered on campus in the fall of 2006.

The course, Recent World Literature, will focus on a variety of literary works from around the world. All of the novels will be written in English, but none of them are from the United States or Britain.

Lopa Basu, assistant professor in the Department of English and Philosophy, will be teaching the new course. This is Basu's first year at the University of Wisconsin-Stout and she is currently teaching Introductory English 101 and 102, and Honors Sequence English 111 and 112 courses, but is planning to expand her course load next semester.

Basu is originally from India and completed her graduate degree at the City University of New York's Graduate Center.

"Because of my life and moving from one culture to another, I have some personal experience," said Basu. "I myself had to learn how to negotiate living in different cultures."

The course will focus on a variety of works from the 1980s to the present. Students will explore ideas of nationalism and ethnicity as well as the place of religion in different societies. Basu is working hard to choose materials that will engage students in the subject and enhance their understanding of the world.

"The texts we are using will be very readable," said Basu.

Basu's past and present research focuses on post-colonial contemporary literature in South Asia and Africa. She has interviewed some of the authors from these countries and has studied the history and sociology of these countries in relation to the novels.

"This is a course that will be talking about a variety of cultures and things going on in the world today," said Michael Levy, professor of English and chair of the Department

of English and Philosophy.

The world is becoming more and more integrated, which is why it is important to have an understanding of the other cultures that exist. Many companies are seeking to hire people with some global awareness, as many companies have offices abroad.

When students have an understanding or awareness of other cultures and societies, they typically function better in the workplace and the world in general. This course will be focused on teaching students more about the world and the cultures around them.

"My goal is to begin to make [students] curious," said Basu. "The works are like windows into societies."

During the course, students will study a graphic novel, films, novels, short stories and possibly some non-fictional essays. Basu is also hoping to include some guest speakers throughout the fall semester.

The Recent World Literature course has been in the books for many years, but this is the first time that it will be offered to students in nearly six years. Basu plans to hold the course on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9:40 a.m.-11:05 a.m. next semester. The future scheduling of the course will be dependent upon the student's interest.

"Lopa has the credentials and interest in teaching [the Recent

World Literature course]," said Levy. "The excitement the teacher feels towards the material is often what makes it a good course."

It is also important to note that there is a prerequisite for taking the course. Students are required to have completed English 101 and 102 before enrolling in Recent World Literature.

"We do expect them to have some [previous] exposure to lit-

erature," said Basu.

This means that the course will be open to most sophomores. The course will also satisfy the global requirement that students need to fulfill.

Anyone that meets the prerequisite and has an interest in learning about other cultures or the world around them is encouraged to take this course.

Heart

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"I was shocked to see that Native Americans have the highest ratios of unemployment, alcoholism, smokers and high school drop-outs of any other race in our country," said Nathan Haeny, an early childhood junior.

However, Heart said the American Indians didn't even know what alcohol was until explorers Lewis and Clark brought it to America for bartering.

"If we could educate these people, we could prevent some of these things," said Heart.

Heart also spoke of poverty issues, refuting the notion that Native Americans are well off because of casinos. According to Heart, the unemployment rate on



Courtesy: Nehomah Thundercloud
Carole Anne Heart presented health and education issues.

some reservations is as high as 80 percent and the average income on reservations is less than \$7,000.

"All we are asking for is the education to learn about who we are," said Heart.

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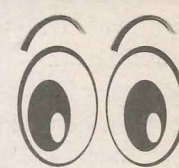
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When Stout became UW-Stout



Katie Triphan
Columnist

Robert Swanson once proclaimed his future career plans in a ninth grade high school paper.

"I am going to be an industrial arts teacher and I am going to Stout," said Swanson.

Swanson not only made good on his proclamation, but he remained at the University of Wisconsin-Stout on the academic staff and administrative staff for a total of 46 years, serving as Chancellor for 15 of those years.

This April, roughly 18 years after Swanson's retirement, the Rassbach Museum in Menomonie opened a special exhibit featuring a collection of artifacts from Swanson's career at UW-Stout. It is my hope that when you visit the exhibit you will already be knowledgeable about former Chancellor Swanson's life and his contribution to UW-Stout, making your experience much more valuable.

As stated above, Swanson decided to go to Stout as early as ninth grade. He considered alter-

ing his plans during high school to take classes at Superior Teachers' College, which would allow him to stay at home for a while and transfer to Stout later.

At this time, World War II was raging overseas, and his parents encouraged him to stick to his original plan to attend Stout that year in 1942. Swanson believes this was to help him adjust to the idea of living away from home in the case that he would be called to go to war.

A year later, Swanson enlisted with 50 other students on December 7, exactly one year after the attack on Pearl Harbor. Swanson served three years overseas and then returned once again to Stout.

Two years after his return in 1948, he married Margaret Pennington, also a student at Stout, who graduated the same year with a degree in dietetics. In 1949, Swanson earned his Bachelor of Arts degree in industrial education from Stout and went on to also earn his Master's in industrial education from Stout in 1950 while teaching halftime.

Upon earning his degree, he began teaching as a full-time plastics instructor. He also wrote instruction manuals, pro-

duced films and film trips and worked on his doctorate, which he earned from the University of Minnesota in 1955.



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Robert Swanson was the man who made Stout part of the University of Wisconsin System.

Swanson also worked on building a home and raising a family during this time. He worked previously during summers as a carpenter to help him pay for his education and now utilized these skills to build a house in Menomonie, which he incidentally lived in even during his time as Chancellor. Swanson and his wife had four children and raised all of them in the house that Swanson built.

In 1962, Swanson went on to become the Assistant Dean of the School of Applied Science and Technology (today Industrial Technology) and two years later, in 1964, the Dean.

In 1966, Swanson became the Dean of the Graduate College and retained this position until he was chosen to replace William J. Micheels as Chancellor in 1972, becoming the fifth person in UW-Stout's history to head the institution.

In his inaugural address, Swanson stated, "Let us admit—yes, even advertise—that Stout's major emphasis is, and will continue to be, career preparation." Swanson embraced Stout's uniqueness and sought to keep Stout set apart from the liberal arts colleges in Wisconsin.

Shortly after Swanson began in office, the nine Wisconsin State Universities and the four University of Wisconsin campuses merged to form the University of Wisconsin System. Swanson was in charge of mak-

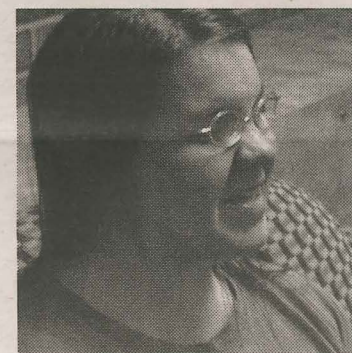
ing Stout a full-fledged member of the merged system.

Regarding his proudest achievement during his time as Chancellor, Swanson has said, "I am very proud of the total development of Stout during my tenure. Stout has grown to an enrollment of more than 7,500 students of diverse studies. Minority and international student populations have increased, and Stout has a direct role in improving the economic development of the state."

Swanson had an unrivaled reputation as a teacher while maintaining strong relationships with students who knew him as a person who would "go the extra mile" to help them solve a problem.

On March 20, 1988, Swanson chose to retire as chancellor. Just as he chose to enlist in the military on an important date in history, Swanson also chose to retire on a significant date in history, March 20, being the date 80 years after Senator Stout signed the articles of incorporation transforming the Stout Manual Training School into the Stout Institute; this opened the school to anyone seeking vocational education in 1908.

Pancreatic Pleasure



Cassy Bourget
recounts her surgery

As some of the University of Wisconsin-Stout community residents know, I have dealt with the effects of diabetes since before I was five years old. After sustaining a traumatic brain injury at age 11, I have had my share of grief, dealing with a disability also.

However, the unimaginable took place on Feb. 16, 2006. I received a phone call from a surgeon at Rochester Methodist Hospital (part of Mayo Clinic), saying they had another pancreas for me. This was the third call I received (the first two calls were false alarms).

The pancreas began working immediately after insertion. But on Feb. 20, the surgeons needed to re-open me to soak up some blood clotting. I looked as though I were pregnant before the second surgery. My pancreas hadn't sealed and was slowly leaking.

Though I wasn't feeling up to par, I was released from the hospital on March 3. Spending my days in excruciating pain and sleeping, I figured if there was "no pain" there'd be "no gain." On March 12, I was attending Mass at a local Catholic church in Rochester, where I passed out without warning.

A cardiologist and a nurse were right there to take care of the little mishap. After spending the whole day in the emergency room, nothing could be found wrong with me. So I was sent back to my temporary home, the Gift of Life Transplant House.

When UW-Stout was on spring break, I was readmitted into the hospital on March 14, with a slight fever. A CT scan was ordered and immediately after receiving the results, I was taken back into the operating room to be opened for a third time to have an abscess (buildup of puss) removed. It was lying in my lower belly. Drains were inserted to remove the excess liquid from the pockets by the abscess.

On March 25, the upper drain was taken out, which made me feel a lot better. I was in a little discomfort at first, because the initial few minutes after having the drain removed caused a burning sensation. On March 26, I was released, feeling rather well. My stomach incision is healing quickly, and I hope to be home for Easter.

The morning of the day I was released, the surgeon said if everything works out perfectly, it may be possible to go home later in the week. But I'm not sure that I feel well enough to go home. So for now, please send all cards and letters to my permanent address:

Cassy Bourget
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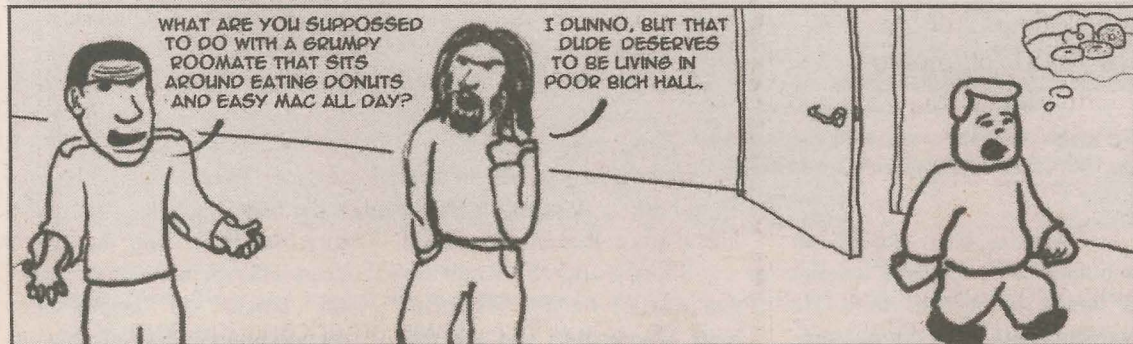
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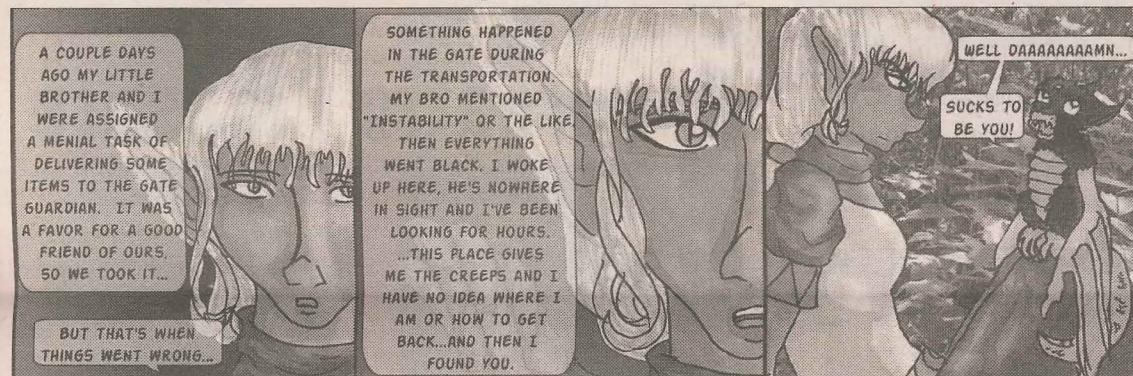
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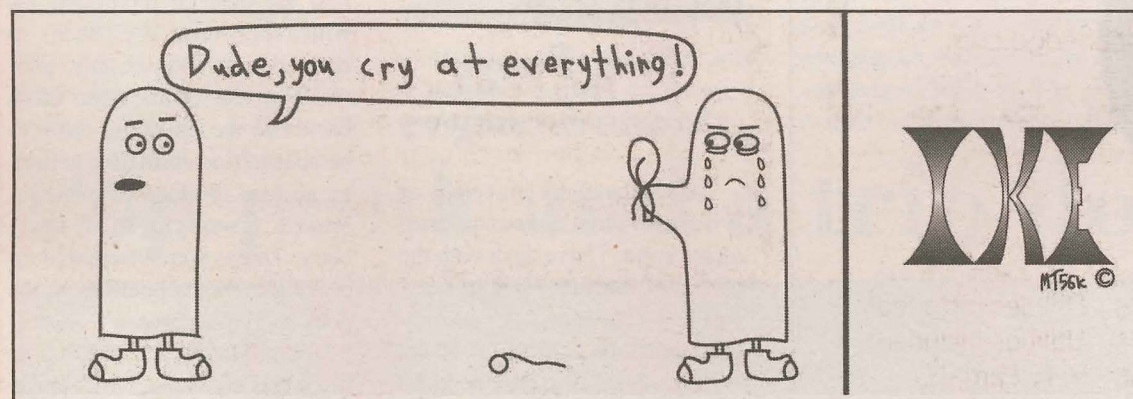
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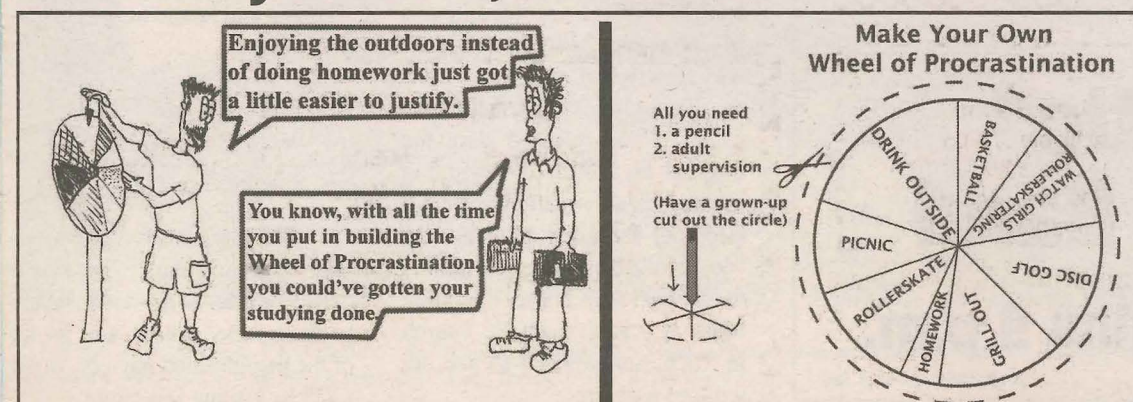
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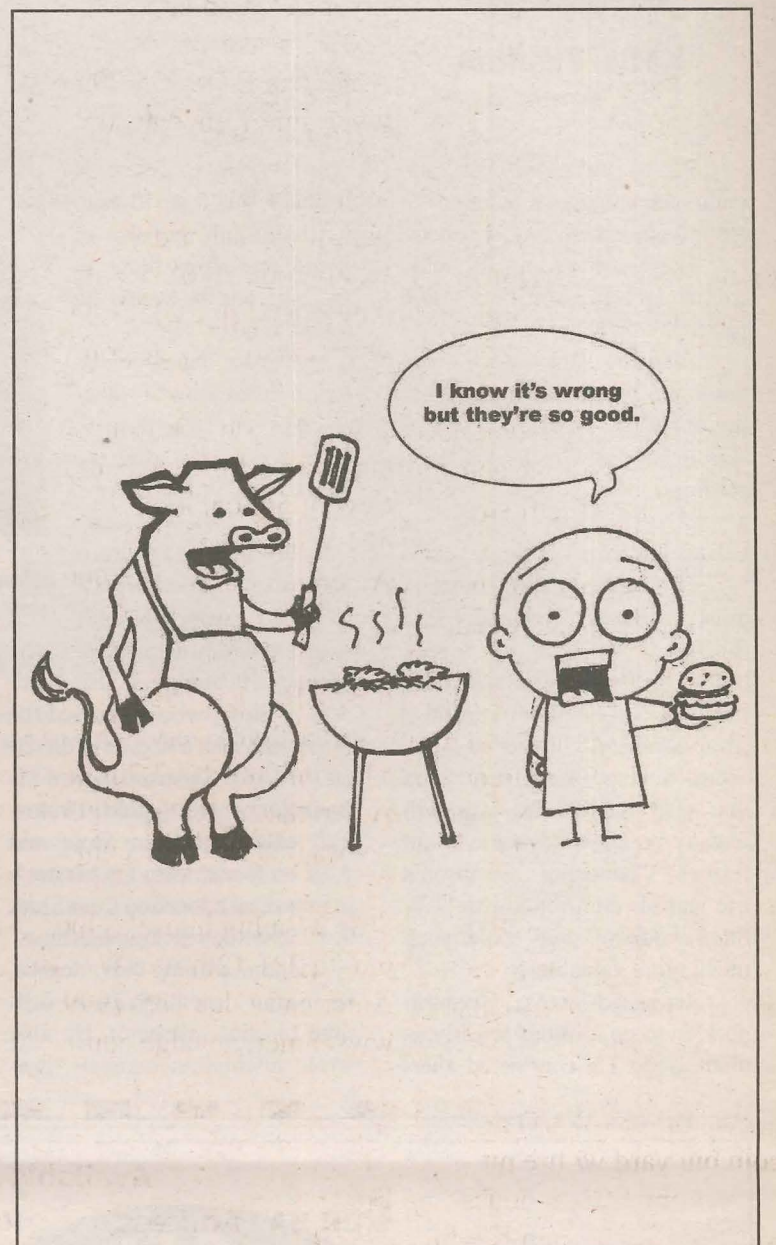
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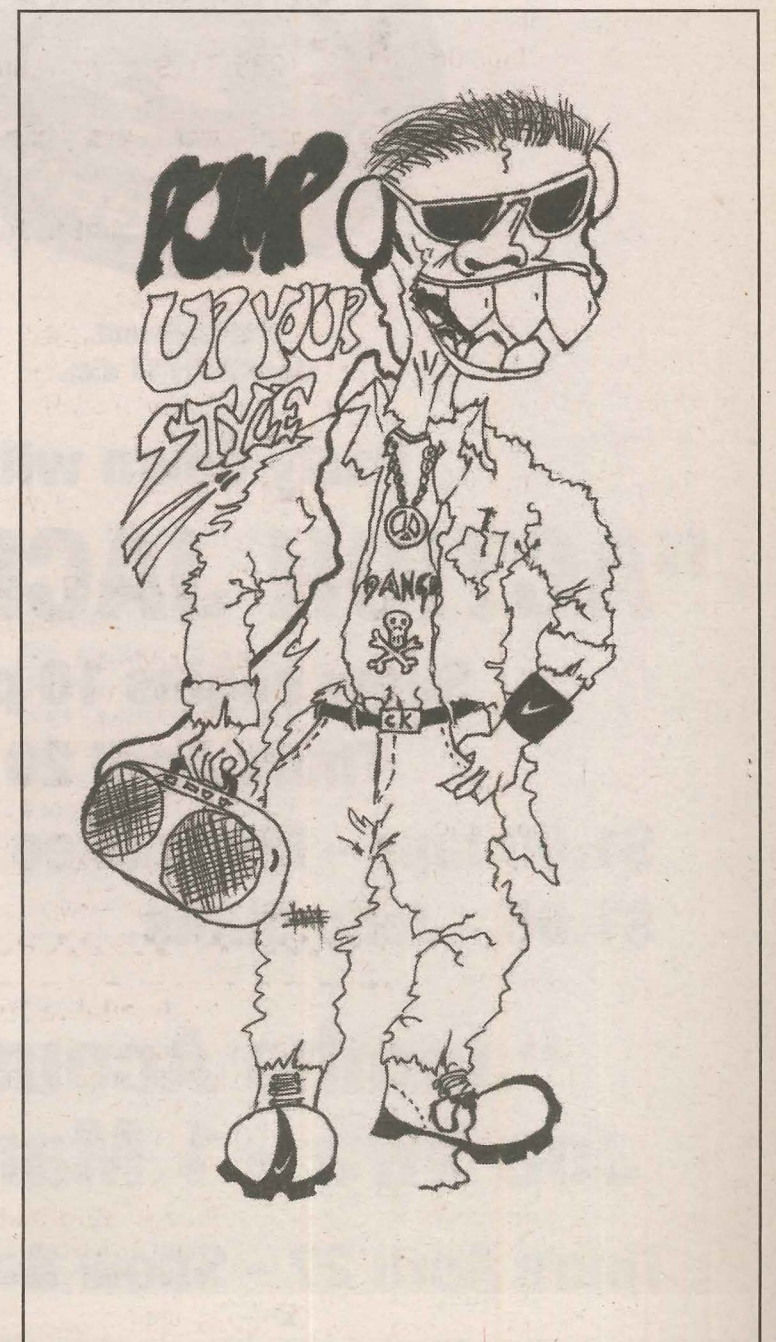
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Sports Briefs

By Jessica Boe
Sports Editor

Baseball

Tuesday, April 11, lifted the spirits of the University of Wisconsin-Stout men's baseball team. They experienced victory against Lawrence University in a 7-6 win. The Blue Devils will take on the University of Wisconsin-Superior in an away game, Thursday, April 13, and Friday April 14.

Softball

April 9, 2006, the UW-Stout women's softball team (5-15, 0-4) visited the University of Wisconsin-Oshkosh. The Blue Devils fought in a game that was handed

over to the Titans (16-10, 6-0) with an ending score of 5-1 and 5-0.

Cheer the Blue Devils on as they travel to the University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire on Wednesday, April 12 and also when they host the University of Wisconsin-Superior on Friday, April 14 at noon.

Men's and women's track

Both teams traveled to the University of Wisconsin-River Falls Falcon Invitational on Saturday, April 8, 2006.

Charlee Edwards, a freshman, made her collegiate debut at the meet, winning the high jump with a 5'3" jump. Teammate Oriana Zens,

a sophomore, placed second with her 5'1" jump.

Ryan Ament, a sophomore, placed first in the discus throw with a toss of 145'7". Ryan Kawski, a junior, placed second in the discus throw with a toss of 141'4".

Also Scoring second for UW-Stout was Kendall Wade, a freshman, who placed second in the 100 meter dash with a 11.2 second run; Derek Gozenbach in the 400 meter dash with a time of 50.31 seconds; Mark Kempen, a senior in the 800 meter run with a time of 1:59.33, and Pat Doty, a senior, in the pole vault with a 13'11.25".



Courtesy: Sports Information

The UW-Stout softball team will look to turn things around after dropping two hard losses to UW-Eau Claire.

STOUTONIA'S Athlete OF THE Week

It may not have been the best hit ball this season, but Erik Johnson's sacrifice fly in the final inning was enough to give the University of Wisconsin-Stout a 7-6 win over Lawrence University on Tuesday and managed to secure the split in the double-header.

The Vikings, who won the first game 5-4, tied the

second game in the top of the seventh with two runs. Seth Maier opened the inning with a double, and Tanner Kattre's sacrifice bunt moved Maier to third, setting the stage for Johnson.

With the game on the line, Johnson hit a fly ball to right field, and Maier beat the throw home to secure the win for the Blue Devils.



Erik Johnson Baseball

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Showing Stout who's strongest

By Matt Edison
Sports Writer

April 20 is right around the corner, and that means that the University of Wisconsin-Stout will be hosting another Stout Strongman Competition.

The Strongman competition will be held in the weight room in the Johnson Fieldhouse at 7 p.m.

This competition is for anyone who is a student, staff, faculty or family member of a student or staff. Anyone who is a member of the weight room gets in for free, but if you are a person is not a member the cost is \$5 to participate. The last day to register for the competition is April 19.

There will be two events that each person will be competing in: the squat and the bench press. There are 12 classes for the men and 10 for the women. Each participant will be put into their weight class before the event begins.

"The event isn't just for men, women should come compete. It goes by weight class, so you're competing against your own level," said Nikki Falkowski, a personal trainer at the Health and Fitness Center.

Each lifter will get three

attempts at each event, and the best lift will count.

"Everyone gets into it, including the fans, and it's a fun atmosphere in the weight room when this event takes place", said Karissa Decker, a senior and the head director of the competition.

Whoever has the best overall combined score of lifting and benching will win a year membership to weight room.

Two grand prizes will be awarded to the winners of both men's and women's sections. Also, there will be medals awarded to the first place finisher in each class.

The winners of last year's competition were Caleb Lombard for the men's section, who benched 305 lbs and squatted 500 lbs; and Pauline Basurto for the women's section, who benched 105 lbs and squatted 170 lbs.

"Last year there was a pretty good turn out with about 75 lbs spectators, eight men competitors and four women competitors," said Decker.

Prizes such as movie passes, T-shirts, water bottles and other cool prizes will be given away through a raffle for all of the fans and spectators who show up.



Source: www.uwstout.edu/univrec/photos/index.html

The UW-Stout strength competition will be on April 20. This competition is for anyone who is a student, staff member, family member of a student or staff. Men's and women's sections will be separate.

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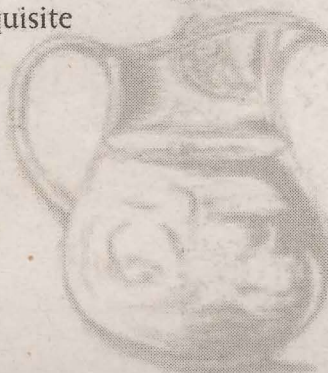
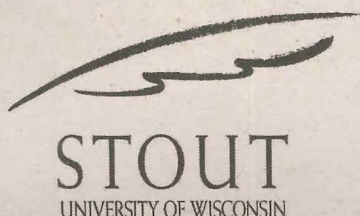
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Blue Devil Scoreboard

Baseball (4-15)

The baseball team defeated Lawrence University 7-6 on April 11.

Next Game:
April 13 at
UW-Superior



Men's Track & Field

Ryan Ament and Ryan Kawski placed first and second, respectively, in the discus at the UW-River Falls Invitational.



Women's Track & Field

Char Edwards won the high jump at the UW-River Falls Invitational, while the 4x100-relay team took first with a time of 51.78 seconds.



Softball (5-15)

The softball team was defeated by UW-Eau Claire 5-0 on April 12.

Next Game:
April 14 hosting UW-Superior



Gettin' in a Scrum

By Casey Nold
Sports Writer

The University of Wisconsin-Stout women's rugby team has started their season with a bang. The girls, facing the challenge of many newcomers to the team, are very impressed with how well the team has come together and are excited for upcoming events to see what is in store for the rest of the season.

The girls recently competed at The University of Wisconsin-Oshkosh where they lost 30-5. The girls played well, but the team lacked chemistry, resulting in a loss.

They also just returned from a tournament at the University of Wisconsin-Platteville called the Mudfest.

The girls did better during the tournament than at the UW-Oshkosh upset. They lost their first game against the University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire 28-5 but won their second game against UW-Whitewater 5-0. The tournament was a good practice for the upcoming events.

The girls will soon compete in two tournaments in St. Cloud, Minn. and Eau Claire. With much excitement and enthusiasm for these events, the team is practicing hard and hopes for a good outcome when they compete.

The team seemed a little surprised to be having such a great season considering there are so many new girls, but with a lot practice on and off the field, the team is finally coming together very nicely.

"Our biggest weakness is inexperience which can be remedied with time," said the UW-Stout women's rugby president Megan Keenan, a junior studying general business administration.

Another big event and tradition for UW-Stout rugby players is the annual alumni match.

The match is going to be held on May 6 at the multi-purpose field. What's interesting about this event is that the game is played in prom dresses. The girls have expressed much excitement and anticipation for this event.

The men's rugby team is also having their alumni game on this day, and fortunately for them, but unfortunately for us, their game is not played in dresses.

The ladies of the UW-Stout rugby team have had a successful season and will continue learning as a team as the season progresses. Although half of the team are newcomers, there is still hope for success for the rest of the year, and the seasons to come.

"We look forward to a very strong fall season," said all of the girls on the team.



Courtesy: Womens Rugby Club

The women's rugby team had many newcomers for the spring season, but it hasn't slowed the teams' persistence. The women have already participated in a tournament and earned a win over UW-Whitewater.



The team is looking for better chemistry in future games and hopes to stay on the winning track in upcoming meets. The team has a big event coming up when they host the traditional alumni match on May 6.



Hard practices have prepared the team for upcoming events in Eau Claire and St. Cloud, Minn. Inexperience is the team's only weakness now, and the team hopes to play strong matches later in the season.

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Helping out

Orgs. have benefit dinner for fire victims

By Lindsey Schuldt
News Editor

Though University of Wisconsin-Stout students are well known for their abilities to drink and create mayhem, seldom are their acts of compassion and humanity highlighted.

Leading the way in their duties of service and volunteering, three organizations helped to put together an event this past week for a fellow student in need.

On Tuesday, April 18, the Chi Lambda fraternity, Alpha Phi Omega Service fraternity and Club Managers Association of America hosted an all you can eat spaghetti dinner for Angela McWithey and her family, who lost their home and all of their belongings in a fire on Feb. 9, 2006.

The event, held at the Leisure Services Center in Menomonie, was only held for two hours but brought in such a crowd that lines of people had to wait outside to get in.

"There were more walk-ins than tickets sold," said Dan Sather, a junior in engineering technology and the president of Chi Lambda. "It was a surprise to all of us. We had to run to the grocery store three times to get more spaghetti."

McWithey is a business student at UW-Stout and is currently attending school full time while pregnant. Students

heard about the fire in her classes and decided to take action.

"It was just students helping students," said Marty Sather, a senior in business management. "It's a really good feeling to know you're helping someone else in need."

Most of the food from the event was donated by Matt Pronschinske, who works for Sysco Corp. There was face painting and a beanbag toss for the children who attended, as well as UW-Stout musicians playing during the dinner.

"Seeing students coming to support her and the event felt really good," said D. Sather. "It's nice to be able to positively affect someone else on campus outside of our own organization."

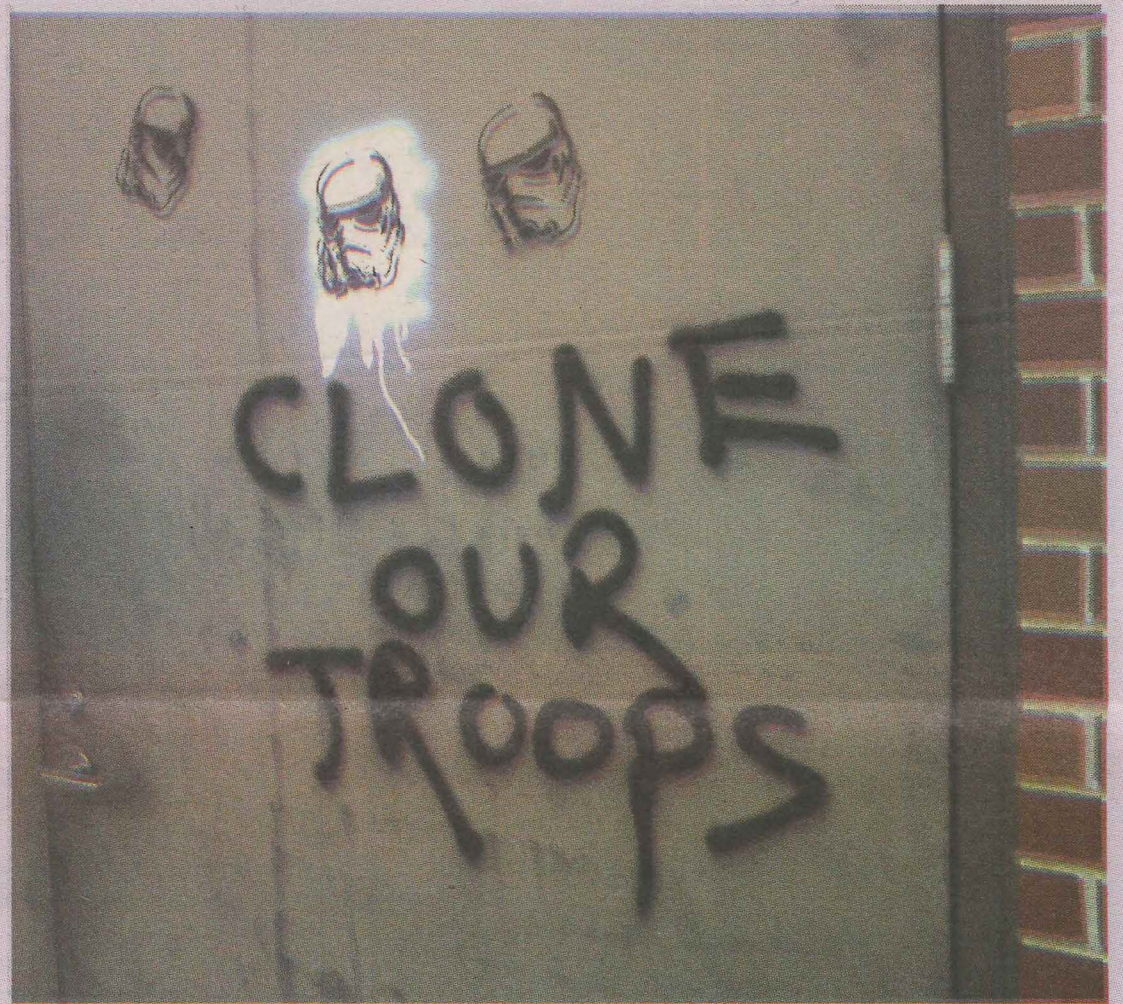
So far more than \$1,000 has been raised and the organizations are still counting the rest of the donations. The money raised will be used by the McWithey family to purchase items for the baby, as well as items for their new home.

It took the organizations a little over a month to plan and execute the event but it was worth all of the effort.

"We really want to thank everyone who supported their family and the event," said D. Sather. The McWithey family really appreciated the community's kindness."

If anyone else would like to make donations to the

Graffiti shocks many



Courtesy: Eric Landru

Recently there were anti-Bush messages written in graffiti on doors, trash bins, sidewalks and buildings throughout campus. There are no clues as to who may have been responsible for these acts.

McWithey family, they can contact members of any of the organizations involved, or they can contact Anne Hoel, a business professor at UW-Stout, for more information on how to contact the family.

Provost search

By Lindsey Schuldt
News Editor

The candidates for the future provost of the University of Wisconsin-Stout have been identified and will soon be interviewed by anyone who wishes to attend. All interviews will be held from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. on various dates.

The first candidate is Dr. D'Ann Campbell. Her interview will be on April 25, in the glass lounge in the Price Commons.

Campbell currently serves as Director of American History Projects Inc. Education Consultants, Denver, Colo. She has a doctorate in history from the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill and has postgraduate training in quantitative methods, legal contracts and military history.

The next candidate is Dr. Ellen Whitford, with an interview scheduled on April 28 in Ballroom A.

Whitford is currently the Interim Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs at Central Connecticut State University.

She earned a bachelor's degree in English, a master's degree in Reading and a doctorate in educational theory, policy and administration—all at different institutes.

The third candidate is going to be Dr. Carmen Coballes-Vega, her interview scheduled on May 3, in Huff's.

Coballes-Vega is currently the dean of the College of Professional Studies at Metropolitan State University in St. Paul. She has a bachelor's degree in English, a master's degree in humanities education and holds a doctorate in reading and linguistics/teacher education.

Last to interview is Julie Furst-Bowe on May 9 in Ballroom B.

She is currently serving as interim provost and vice chancellor for academic and student affairs at the UW-Stout. She has a bachelor's degree in journalism, a master's degree in media technology and holds a doctorate of education, with an emphasis in human resource development.



Courtesy: Jake Durand

There was much support from both the Menomonie and UW-Stout communities when three organizations on campus asked others to help the McWithey family after their house was destroyed by a fire.

A FAREWELL TO SOME LONG TIME STAFF

Six University of Wisconsin- Stout staff members have announced their retirement.

Jerry Coomer- 35 years

Current Position: Associate Professor of Industrial Management
Retirement Date: June 25, 2006

Mary Flynn- 23 years

Current Position: Professor of Psychology and resident director of the Wisconsin- in Scotland Program
Retirement Date: June 30, 2006

Vi Hintzman- 33 years

Current Position: Executive staff assistant in the Provost's Office
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Ingrid Rockwell- 23 years

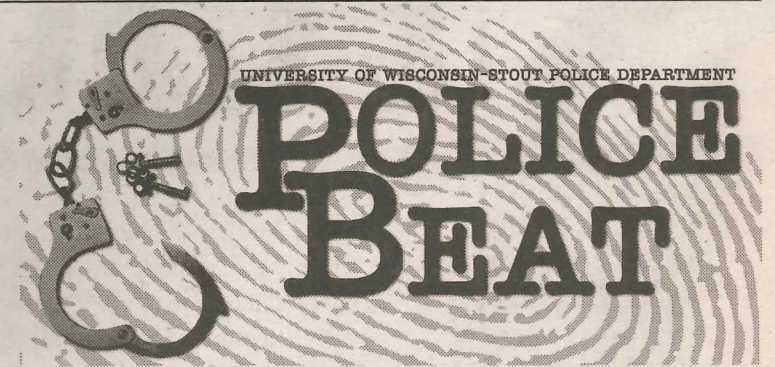
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Vicki Tritt- 39 years

Current Position: Library Administration (already retired)
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Howard Slinden- 32 years

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Bye-bye mirror

On Monday, April 10, a vehicle parked in lot four had its driver's side mirror smashed off and was dangling by it's electrical wires.

Oops, they did it again

On Wednesday, April 12, both driver's and passenger's side mirrors were broken off a vehicle in lot 34.

Find another hobby, please

On Wednesday, April 12, while parked in lot four, a vehicle's driver's side mirror was ripped off.

Easter surprise

On Wednesday, April 12, Wigen Hall's fire alarm was set off after the basement filled with smoke. A pot of eggs burning, left by a resident, set off the Wigen Hall fire alarm.

It's not July yet

On Wednesday, April 12, between CKTO and AF Halls, a strong smell of sulfur was in the air and individuals were seen lighting off fireworks. None of these individuals could be found by UW-Stout police upon further investigation.

Okay, really, stop it

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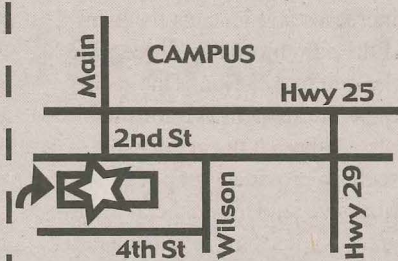
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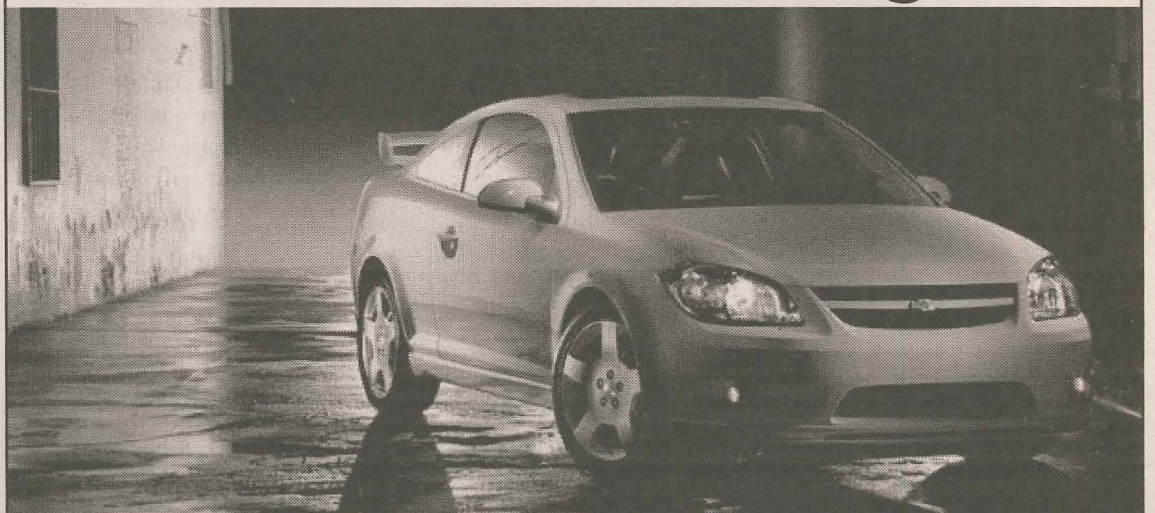
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Students don't get food choice



Staff Editorial
The Stoutonia Staff

If anyone has attempted to bring non-Pepsi products or food from somewhere other than the Pawn into the Memorial Student Center, he or she may have been greeted with an unpleasant surprise.

Since the University of Wisconsin-Stout has a contract with Pepsi, students are not allowed to bring any non-Pepsi products into the MSC.

This is also true of bringing in food from other restaurants.

There is food and catering available, so the university wants students to buy the food from them, rather than going somewhere else to get it.

If a student is caught bringing either of these things in, they may be asked to leave the building and finish the food outside, or it may be taken away and thrown out.

Many of those at *The Stoutonia's* weekly meeting thought that this was unfair.

Since students are already spending money to use a meal plan, shouldn't they get to decide if they want to buy food from somewhere else once in a while?

This rule also applies to organizations or anyone having a meeting in the MSC.

Why should the university be able to do this?

The university picks the sponsorship to help fund some things on campus.

But if a student or an organization wants to spend their own money on something else, don't they have a right to do this?

The university should not be able to say that students can only eat certain food or drink certain things.

At one point, Pepsi Blue was even put into the micro-fridges in the dorms.

Apparently, Pepsi wasn't selling enough of this on their own, so they



decided to give some to the university to try and get the students to drink it.

UW-Stout isn't the only place that has rules like this.

One member of *The Stoutonia* staff recalled when a high school held a

"Coca-Cola Day" where all students were supposed to wear Coca-Cola apparel. A student that showed up wearing a Pepsi shirt was expelled.

So just remember, it could be much worse.

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Higher Education Act passed by Congress



Shawn Peter
Columnist

The College Access and Opportunity Act (H.R. 609) was passed by Congress in March, and there has been little press covering it.

Prior to the passage, there was a significant amount of press but hardly any positive, even from our favorite sources. Right now the bill is in the U.S. Senate.

There are positive aspects that are worth noting about the College Access and Opportunity Act (H.R. 609). I'll attempt to highlight a few of them that caught my attention.

The idea behind the bill is to generate and direct savings and expand access to college, especially for minority and low-income students.

The act removes the tuition

sensitivity rule, which was an incentive for colleges to raise tuition simply to receive more Pell Grants.

The Pell Grant aid was then increased to more than the maximum award for first and second year students.

The act updates many of the provisions regarding consolidation loans, allowing us, the consumers, to shop for the best deals on those loans while eliminating the single-holder rule.

When that rule is eliminated, it allows the consumer to shop around for the best services and rates, which in turn forces the original lender to compete, to retain the loan versus having to consolidate only with the original lender.

Also, it will allow the lender to report to the national credit bureaus, to build up the student's credit for post-college expenses.

The lenders will now have to offer interest-only options for those that have trouble repaying their student loans.

Also, when the borrower

applies for a student loan, they must be provided with comprehensive information about total interest, repayment terms, eligible benefits and other disclosures.

There is a lot of technical jargon about the institutional side. Before, there was a tiered system. Under the new act, it's clarified and updated to ensure that the correct institutions are recognized and the grants are distributed fairly.

Institutions will be required to make the information they are sending to the federal government available to the student.

A provision I thought was interesting is that institutions will be required to report tuition increases and reasons for them if they are more than three times the rate of inflation. This seems to be the story in Wisconsin.

Although the act doesn't seem to provide a lot of candy (massive student financial aid increases), it seems to make a half-hearted effort to increase access for needy and minority students, while strengthening plans set up

by President Bush and programs already in existence.

For example, the No Child Left Behind Act would be strengthened with more teacher training and accountability to increase training for more qualified teachers.

TRIO funding, whose purpose is to identify and help lower income students to attend college, would be dramatically increased.

On a final note, it was interesting to find that the bill promotes the concept of academic freedom.

This concept encourages free speech and the free exchange of ideas in the classroom without the student being discriminated against due to their political perspective or ideology.

As mentioned before, there are many good provisions in the bill; it's impossible to highlight all of them and give a good explanation in 500 words.

Although the bill itself isn't a bedtime story, I encourage you to learn about it by reading the summary, which can be found at: <http://www.house.gov>.



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Sexual Assault Awareness

Sexual assault is a devastating crime that is committed with shocking frequency in our society. In Wisconsin alone, there were more than 15,600 sexual assaults reported to law enforcement in 2004.

This number is alarmingly high, but it does not begin to

reflect the full extent of the problem. According to the American Medical Association, sexual assault remains the most dramatically under-reported crime, and an estimated two-thirds of sexual assaults are never reported, often because victims fear they will be blamed for the assault.

As leaders and role models in our communities, we

cannot afford to remain silent about sexual violence or blame victims for the decisions of perpetrators.

This injustice only serves to create an atmosphere where sexual violence is implicitly condoned and perpetuated.

We must use our voices to break the silence and build a culture where respectful relationships are expected, where sexual violence is not tolerated, where offenders are held accountable for their actions, and where victims and their families are given the support they need to heal.

April is Sexual Assault Awareness Month, a nationally recognized time to focus our efforts on sexual assault educa-

tion, prevention and awareness. The UW-Stout Campus Violence Prevention Project joins advocates and survivors across the nation in observation of this time.

During Sexual Assault Awareness Month, and throughout the year, we invite everyone to take a stand and break the silence against sexual assault.

For more information or to get involved, contact UW-Stout Campus Violence Prevention Project at 232-2468. Together we can break the silence.

Sincerely,

Jessica Bryan
Campus Violence
Prevention Project Coordinator

Earth Day events

By Jennifer Gauthier
Campus Writer

Earth Day is coming up soon, and it's no surprise that the campus environmental organization, GreenSense, has a lot of earth-friendly events planned. Krista James, GreenSense's co-advisor who works in the biology department at the University of Wisconsin-Stout, explained what the organization is all about.

"The students in GreenSense are environmental advocates at UW-Stout. They do the following: sponsor environmental speakers (educators) at UW-Stout and the wider Menomonie community, cleanup Galloway Creek, cleanup local highways and fund raise for environmental projects."

"Anyone can participate in GreenSense," said Arthur Kneeland, the other co-advisor, "We meet every Monday at 5:30 p.m. in the Badger Room of the MSC. Since what we work on is the environment, a thing that naturally

concerns us all, we try to work with other UW-Stout organizations and the city of Menomonie as much as possible."

GreenSense has traditionally organized events every year around Earth Day, and this year it's a three-day event on April 19-21, and all events are free and open to UW-Stout students and community members.

"All of Friday's events will take place outside on the south lawn by the Applied Arts Building," said Emma Eriksen, co-president of GreenSense and a first year applied psychology graduate student.

The afternoon Earth Day events for Friday April 21 start at 1 p.m. with yoga, arts and crafts at 2 p.m., followed by a progressive folk singer/guitarist and a presentation on organic agriculture, both at 4 p.m.

Earth Day Schedule of Events

Wednesday MSC Ballroom A
6 p.m. Zeus Stark from Next Step Energy
7 p.m. Xcel Energy representative

Thursday Acoustic Café
7 p.m. Environmental art

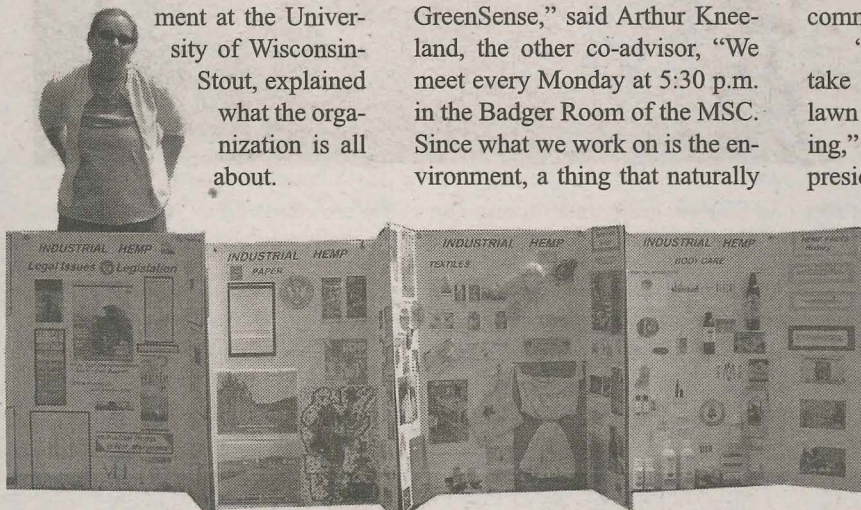
Friday UW-Stout South Lawn
1 p.m. Yoga on the lawn
2 p.m. Arts and crafts
4 p.m. Aaron Stueck
5 p.m. Free Food
6 p.m. Drum Club drumming
7 p.m. Save our Stream raffle drawing
7 p.m. Action Jackson/fire dancing

The evening celebration begins at 5 p.m. with free veggie burgers and a demonstration by the UW-Stout Drum Club at 6 p.m. The drawing for the Save Our Streams raffle, which is one of the central events of the day, is scheduled for 7 p.m. The winner will be able to name a local stream whatever they choose.

Immediately after, the band Ac-

tion Jackson—a blues/rock/reggae/jam band—will play an outdoor concert. The day will commence with fire dancers at 8 p.m.

"[Earth Day on campus] is open to everyone and is simply a celebration in honor of this wonderful planet that has provided us with a home for so many years, said Eriksen.



File Photo 2004: Elizabeth Woods

Speaker presents alternative energy solutions and benefits

By Renee Currington
Campus Editor

GreenSense invited Zeus Stark of Next Step Energy to kick off the Earth Day events of the week with a presentation on alternative energy on Wednesday, April 19 in Ballroom A.

Stark does alternative energy consulting for residential homes, and he spoke of alternative methods of powering a home using solar and wind energy.

"Renewable energy is a big market, and there's a lot of technology going into it," said Stark. "It's the furthest along it's ever been."

According to Stark, there are two general systems for incorporating alternative energy in

a home: grid and off-grid.

A home can be connected to a power grid set up by a utility company. With this setup, power from the utility company supplements energy needs beyond the energy collected from the sun or wind.

"If you generate more energy than you use, the utility company has to pay you for it," said Stark.

A home can also incorporate an off-grid alternative energy system in which alternative energy is stored in batteries; when the charge in the batteries runs out, the power runs out.

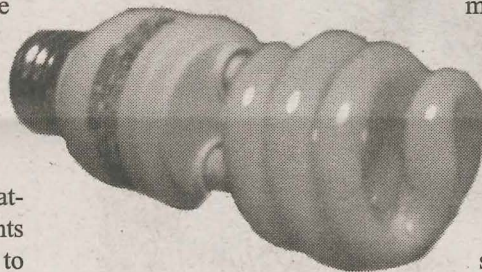
"When you're using an off-grid system, you're much more aware of your energy needs than when you're connected to the grid," said Stark.

Stark says the grid system is more efficient because extra energy is collected, fed into the grid and used. However, when the batteries are fully charged in an off-grid system, any surplus energy generated is not collected or used.

The batteries used, which are a type called "deep cycle batteries," come in size increments of six volts and can be sized to accommodate for individual household energy needs.

The energy from the sun and wind is collected as direct current (DC) electricity, whereas most appliances run on alternating current (AC). Therefore, a power inverter must be used to convert the electricity from DC to AC for

it to be of any practical use. Stark says some DC appliances do exist but are not very common.



One may think that solar panels would not work as well in areas where it can get very cold, such as Menomonie. However, Stark says that solar panels are actually more efficient in cold weather than warm weather.

For most, alternative energy may not currently be a very

economical option because of the high cost of the equipment, which can range from approximately \$10,000 to \$15,000.

"It's a long-term investment," says Stark. "Right now, the payback time is 20 or 30 years."

Stark said that before homeowners install an alternative energy system, they should think about how much energy they use and how much they really need.

"The first thing you have to do is conserve energy and find ways to cut down on energy," said Stark. "There's a lot of harvestable energy in your house that is being wasted."

slant

If you could beat up a celebrity, who would it be and how would you do it?



"Paris Hilton - I would strangle her with one of her dogs' leashes."
Laura Elfering
Hotel, Restaurant, and Tourism Management Senior



"I would beat the life out of the creator of World of Warcraft by flying a dragon into his face and letting it maul him."
Chad Lilja
Multimedia Design Freshman



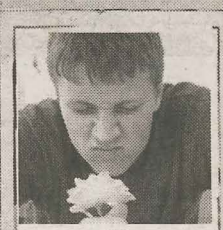
"Paris Hilton- I'd take her high heeled shoe and stab her with it."
Nicole Trunkel
Undecided Freshman



"Lindsay Lohan- I would snap off her twig arm and beat her with it."
Katie Eggen
Human Development and Family Studies Freshman



"Ashley Simpson - I would smash her face against the wall and hit her in the throat so no more innocent ears will have to suffer."
Tom Wittrock
Applied Science Freshman



"If Tony Danza annoyed me anymore, I'd beat him up by ripping off the keys of his piano and start sling shooting them at his face. I would then proceed to make him put the piano back together. Next, I'd rip off the fringes of my college ruled notebook paper and make him eat them. I'd probably feel bad for doing all this, and apologize to him by watching his daytime talk show for one day."
Nate Koehler
Multimedia Design Freshman

Student from Taiwan masters at UW-Stout

By Renee Currington
Campus Editor

Imagine living all your life in a city on a humid island near the equator where it rains 200 days per year. Your home is a tall structure like a skyscraper, crowded with people.

Then one day you arrive in a place where there is a foot of snow. With no tall buildings around, you can see acres of open land.

This experience was quite a shock for Chin-ko "Gary" Wang upon his arrival to Menomonie from his home in Keelung in the city of Taipei, Taiwan. It was the first time he had ever seen snow.

Wang came to the University of Wisconsin-Stout in January 2005 to enroll in the hospitality and tourism graduate program. He earned his bachelor's degree in

mass communications at the University of Tamkang in Taiwan.

Shortly after earning his degree, Wang served as a military police officer. He recalled the rigorous training.

"We did a lot of running and pushups, learned Tae Kwon Do and learned how to shoot at targets," said Wang. "When we missed we did more running and pushups."

"Sometimes I had muscle aches because I'm not very good at aiming," said Wang.

He was responsible for patrolling during weapons transport and acted as security for politicians. Military service is mandatory for all men in Taiwan.

"In some ways, it's good for your health because it makes your body stronger," said Wang. "But you're isolated for 20 months."



Courtesy: Chin-ko "Gary" Wang

Chin-ko "Gary" Wang, a hospitality and tourism grad student, grew up in the crowded city of Taipei, Taiwan. This photo of Wang was taken in the Chih-shan Garden in Taipei, next to the National Palace Museum.

Wang said most Taiwanese men break up with their girlfriends when they go into the service, which is what he did. It's very difficult for them to contact their family and friends.

However, those who go to college can delay their service requirements. After serving in the military, Wang could have just as easily attended a college in Taiwan with a hospitality and tourism program. But he decided to study abroad instead.

"I came here to improve my English," said Wang. "English is

a big language around the world, so if I can learn to speak English, it could really help my career."

In Taiwan, the official spoken language is Mandarin, which is also spoken in Beijing, northern China, and Singapore.

"[I like the United States] because everyone speaks the same language," said Wang, who says it can be difficult to communicate in Taiwan because of the variety of dialects, and many senior citizens do not speak Mandarin.

Wang also enjoys living in a small town because he likes to live at a slower pace and spend time getting to know people. His hometown of Keelung is an area roughly the size of Menomonie but has a population of 35,000.

One thing Wang does miss, though, is the food.

"I miss Chinese food a lot, especially seafood and the food that my mother cooked," said Wang. "My mother is the best cook ever."

"Here [in America] you can grab food very quickly," said Wang. "Sometimes my mom took two hours just to prepare one meal."

His favorite Taiwanese food is crab, which his mother would marinate in a special sauce overnight and then steam. In Taiwan, Wang used to have rice with every lunch and dinner, and now, much to his family's dismay, he has burgers for lunch and dinner.

After college, Wang hopes to find work at the 2008 Olympics in Beijing and begin a hospitality and tourism career in Taiwan or Beijing.

Leaf the raking to us



Renee Currington/Stoutonia

Andrea Streiff (left), secretary of the University of Wisconsin-Stout Association of Family and Consumer Science (SAFCS) and Kayla Stalboerger (right), an SAFCS member, adopted Lois Anderson's yard in Menomonie on Wednesday, April 19. They raked and helped clear her yard of old leaves.



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And game shows hit brand new low



Source: www.cbsnews.com

Hear that faint thud? That's Howie Mandell's career hitting rock bottom, and as you can tell it really didn't have to fall that far. This awful game show is only the latest example of how America's need for intelligent programming seems outweighed by its desire to be pandered to.



Matt Schubbe
Entertainment Writer

I'm really beginning to dislike the fact that since the advent of reality TV, Americans need to consistently ratchet up the intensity of these shows just to stay entertained. If you don't

believe me, take the new crop of reality game shows that have been popping up this season, specifically designed to toy with peoples' competitive emotions, to the point of collapsing (either the viewer or the contestant, it makes no difference).

The first is "Deal or No Deal." The basic format of this show lets a contestant choose from several cases (varying, but usually about 26). Each of these cases contains a different amount of money, and the contestant is

asked to pick one that could potentially contain his/her prize. Then the contestant—directed by host Howie Mandell—opens up the other cases one by one.

At specific intervals during the show, the contestant gets an offer from a bank on set to purchase the case they have chosen, with the offer being based on how much money could possibly be inside the case. Here's the "Deal or No Deal" part of it. The contestant can take the offer from the bank, or continue to open

briefcases. If they keep opening cases, this reveals the monetary value contained in each case. If low amounts of money are found in the cases opened, then the bank's offer will rise; if high amounts of money are found, the bank's offer lowers.

Wow. That's a lot of pressure. It's almost as if a bunch of studio execs were sitting around talking about how much they liked "Let's Make a Deal" back in the '70s. I'm assuming they probably decided that if they

were ever going to market a re-tread of that show that it would have to be extreme. Maybe as extreme as Howie Mandell's bald, shiny head.

So what do they do? They put contestants through an endless series of Catch-22-like situations for money. Monty Hall, where are you now? Back on "Let's Make a Deal," all you had to do was dress up like a carrot or Superman or something and pick from THREE doors. The worst you'd get was a mule if you picked the wrong door, and you could eat the mule or at least ride it to work if worse came to worse. "Deal or No Deal" just toys with people's greed, and that isn't fun, especially when you lose a lot of the green because of it.

Another show in the same vein, but taken to an even greater extreme is "Unanimous" (spelled with a "one" where the letter I should be, how cool). This show combines the concept of winning a large sum of money with one of those reality shows where a bunch of people live together for some reason.

Basically, nine people live in a bunker together where a giant ticker showing their potential prize money of \$1.5 million lowers in amount every day.

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On the quest for games?

Former toy store now a gamer's paradise

By Ellen Schuetz
Entertainment Writer

Remember the Toyriffic store that was in between the dollar store and what used to be the pet shop (now a scrap book-store)? Well, it used to focus on old figurines and toys but now sells mostly video games. About eight months ago, the store decided to leave the Toyriffic chain and become Game Quest. The store has popular new games upon release, but they are mostly a used game store. You can trade in newer items for cash, but older items will usually get you store credit.

Game Quest also holds "Magic: The Gathering" tournaments and sells a wide variety of cards. On Tuesday and Thursday nights you can bring in your deck and play with people just for fun. Tournaments are held on Friday nights.

There is an entry fee of five dollars, but if you win, you will get more than that in return. Most of the time store credit is awarded, but some Friday nights they also offer limited edition cards to the winners. There are also tournaments held every other Saturday, but that is somewhat more random since "every other" is used loosely, meaning either three times in a row or not for a few weeks.

It would be best to look to

the store for updates on the Saturday tournaments. They are also expanding their selection of "Magic" cards and have a small selection of "Dungeons and Dragons" books.

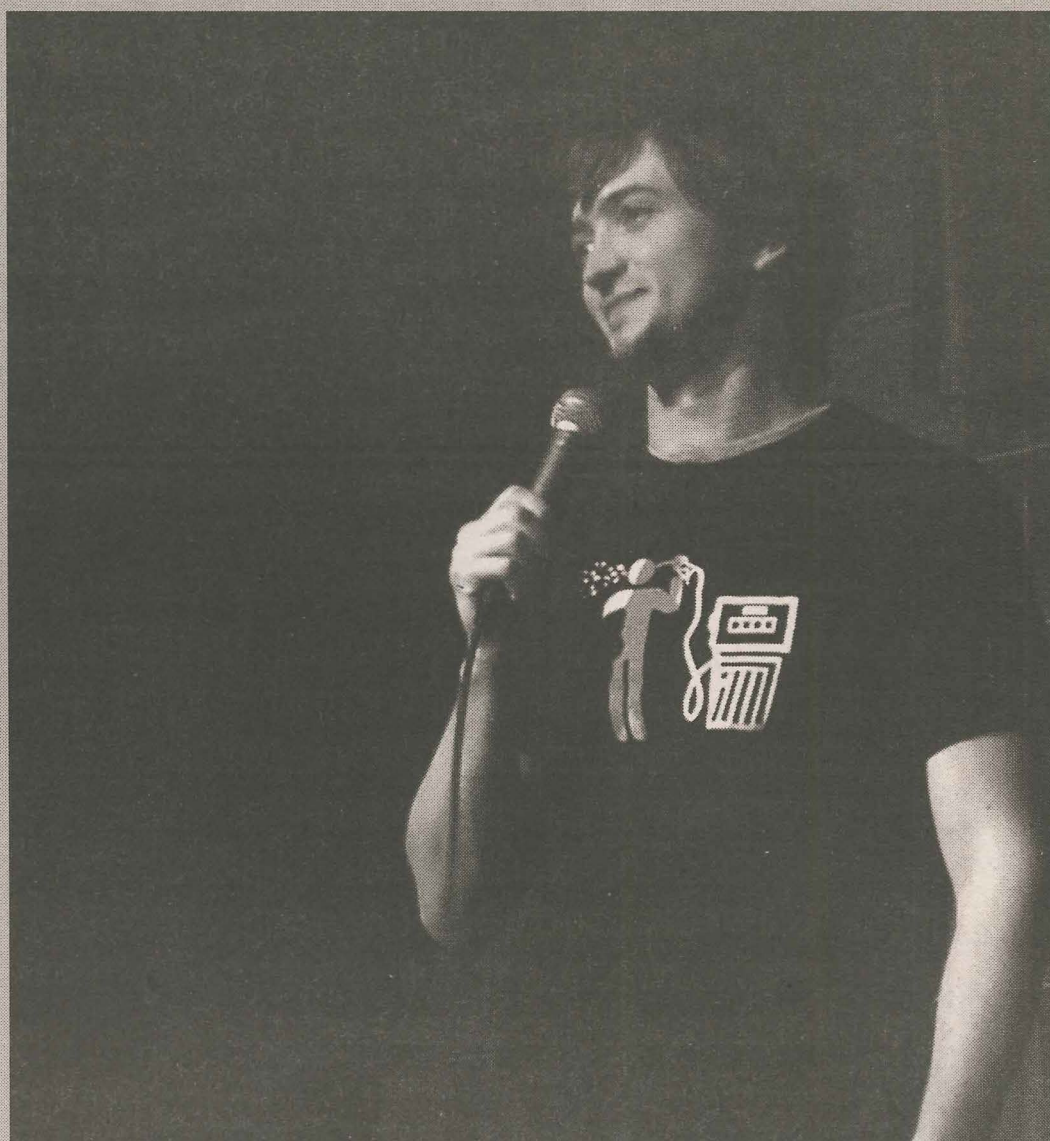
In addition to all the games, music and movies, the store also has a lot of great video game systems—pretty much any system that you could be looking for. One of the available systems is the original Nintendo (NES), which can be very hard to find. The catch: it's not exactly the original. Apparently, the patent on the NES recently expired and a company called Yobo started making their own version of it, which looks a little different than the original. The important thing is that it can still play all the same games.

The pricing on most current games is comparable to what you would pay at other stores, sometimes cheaper. But what about the classic old-school games?

One thing that is great about this store is that it has a lot of games that you can't find anywhere else. They have about as many NES and Super Nintendo (SNES) games as Playstation games.

Game Quest is really worth a look if you haven't been there or if you're looking for a Menomonie-based game shopping alternative to Wal-Mart.

BDP has Lee Camp do his thing



Drew Retherford/Stoutonia

According to Blue Devil Productions, Lee Camp is "not your average comedian." The 22-year-old has already made quite a reputation for himself. He's written a comedy book and column and has opened for Darrell Hammond. On April 19, he graced the Huff's stage to great acclaim.

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They have to decide, between the nine of them, who gets the money by voting. But the catch is, it has to be (get ready) unanimous! So with the prize money lowering constantly, you know that people will be putting on their crazy face. And that's essentially what happens.

These people have to live together in some creepy bunker and try to convince eight other strangers that they deserve a large sum of money more than anyone else there. Think of the deceit and

back stabbing and hurt that can be caused by this show. It's like a soap opera that takes place in one room. It's just so manipulative that I feel like I need to take a shower afterwards.

At any rate, please don't watch these shows. The only reason they exist is because networks believe people will watch them. Prove them wrong.

I know. Howie Mandell could use the work, but don't give in. Just give him some money by buying "Bobbie's World" on DVD.

A very "charmed" sequel

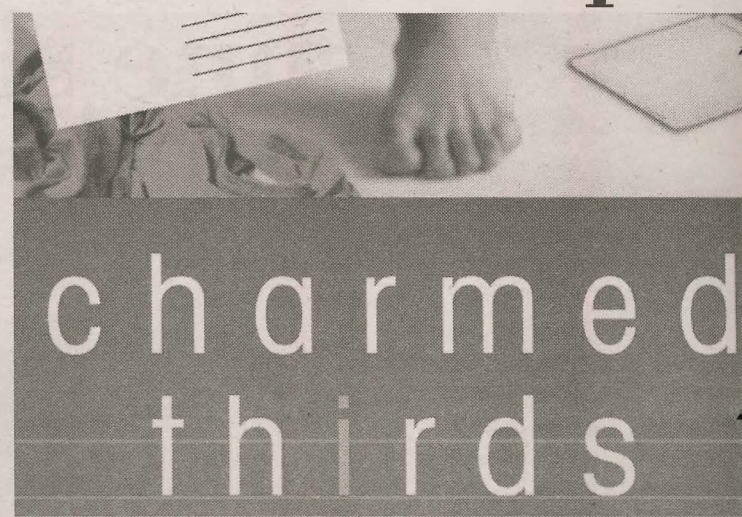


Diana Minea
Editor-in-Chief

Anticipation levels were high on Friday as I opened the third book of my favorite series, "Charmed Thirds" by Megan McCafferty. It was finally released on April 11, three long years after book two came out.

The series of books began in 2001 with "Sloppy Firsts," written as the journal of Jessica Darling, a teenage girl whose angst and cynicism won the hearts of millions. The novel follows Jessica through her sophomore and junior years of high school as she deals with her best and only real friend moving away, and is forced to be social with her superficial and skanky remaining friends. Also thrown into the mix is a pothead, Marcus Flutie, who keeps mysteriously appearing in her life to drive her crazy.

The second book, "Second Helpings," was published in 2003 and brings Jessica through her senior year of high school as she applies to college, experiences new and familiar social problems, gets her first boyfriend since eighth grade and finds out



Source: www.meganmccafferty.com

Relationships, college and angst are featured prominently in Megan McCafferty's latest novel in her acclaimed Jessica Darling series.

the answers to many Marcus-related questions that were left unanswered in book one.

"Charmed Thirds" is slightly different in that it covers all of her seven semesters of college. I was slightly worried when I heard that news, thinking that McCafferty might be trying to squeeze too much into too small a space. Once I got into reading the book, however, my fears about story pacing proved unfounded.

I haven't read many books about college life, and I didn't know how McCafferty or Jessica would handle it. It's as easy to identify with Jessica as ever; I could see pieces of my peers and myself in the characters.

The book does well in tack-

ling situations college students have to deal with: life and death, love and loss of love, sex, drinking, finances, peer pressure and issues with parents, all with McCafferty's charming, quirky style. One memorable scene involves her walking in on her parents having sex in the living room in what she considers a not-so parental position.

Even though Jessica is a goody-goody at the start of the series, she matures, breaks out of her shell and makes huge mistakes, like cheating on her boyfriend with—gasp—a republican. Luckily, she also avoids many mistakes, such as when she decided she wasn't the type-

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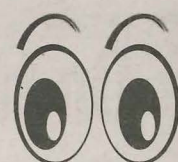
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April 20
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Thursday, April 20

- >R4, Klassix, 8 p.m., Free.
- >Down Lo + Space Rangers, House of Rock, 10 p.m., \$4.
- >Open Mic, Acoustic Cafe, 8 p.m., Free.

Friday, April 21

- >Captain Yonder + Carbellion, Stones Throw, 10 p.m., \$3.
- >Deathtrap, Mabel Tainter, 7:30 p.m., \$13.
- >The Wannabehasbeens, Blind Munchies, 7 p.m., Free.
- >The Bullfrogs, Klassix, 9 p.m., Free.

Saturday, April 22

- >Deathtrap, Mabel Tainter, 7:30 p.m., \$13.
- >Regimen Rong + Alysium, Mr. Heavy's, 11 p.m., Free.
- >Comedy Night, Jehrico's, 9 p.m., \$5.
- >The Pimps, Stones Throw, 10 p.m., \$5.

Sunday, April 23

- >Deathtrap, Mabel Tainter, 2 p.m., \$13.

Monday, April 24

- >The Adam Braatz Quartet, Stones Throw, 9:30 p.m., Free.

Tuesday, April 25

- >Open Mic, The Mousetrap, 10 p.m., Free.
- >Lucy Creek Blues Band, Klassix, 8 p.m., Free.

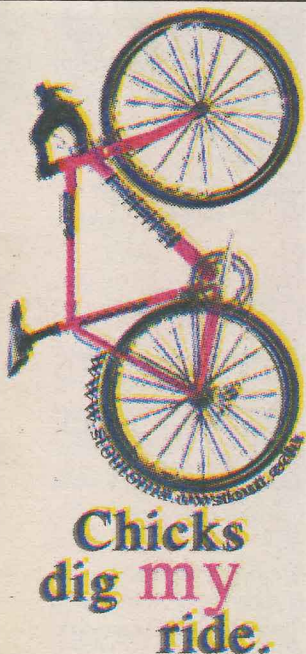
Wednesday, April 26

- >Peter Phippen, Shanghai Bistro, 6:30 p.m., Free.
- >Jason Chambers, The Mousetrap, 10 p.m., Free.
- >Acoustic Solo Performance, The Mousetrap, 10 p.m., Free.

Thursday, April 27

- >Prihoda + Pete Flynn, Stones Throw, 10 p.m., \$3.
- >Book Signing: Cathy Sultan, Borders, 7 p.m., Free.
- >Deathtrap, Mabel Tainter, 7:30 p.m., \$13.
- >Adam Braatz Trio, The Mousetrap, 10 p.m., Free.
- >Bear Creek Band, Tailgates, 9 p.m., Free.

Have anything to add to the Campus Calendar?
Send suggestions to
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Down the mean suburban streets



What is it Worth?

WB: Good to go.
JB: I'd pay to see it again.

Source: www.rottentomatoes.com

Joseph Gordon-Levitt plays Brandon, a high school gumshoe, in "Brick," the directorial debut of Rian Johnson. Written in the tradition of hard-boiled crime fiction and film noir, the film follows Brandon's journey through the seedy underbelly of a suburban high school.



Jarrod Burns and William Butcher

Entertainment Writers

"Brick" is the story of Brandon (Joseph Gordon-Levitt), a high school student who takes it upon himself to unravel the mysterious death of Emily, his ex-girlfriend, who had out of the blue called him for help two days earlier.

Operating in a fashion reminiscent of heroes from the Dashiell Hammett / Raymond Chandler school of detective fiction, Brandon fearlessly plunges into the shady, underworld dealings of his suburban territory.

With only the help of his friend "Brain," he braves beatings and femme fatales to seek out the truth behind Emily's death.

WB: While at first glance easily compared to "The Chumrubber" and "Donnie Darko,"

the story of "Brick" really has only the setting and age group in common with those films.

The main character, Brandon, is forced by circumstances to become a detective, using his school lunch period and after school hours to hunt down clues.

This is made even more difficult by not having a cell phone or car at his disposal.

JB: Brandon follows the clues from person to person, working his way up the ladder of the organized high school drug trade.

The story and characters teeter on the edge of believability, settling somewhere between noir comic book and eerie realism.

Regardless, the actors are all perfectly cast and do well with the difficult dialogue.

WB: This movie could have made the major mistake of having a script that matched the setting rather than the story.

The trail of deception and mystery blends well with the characters who deliver lines that are just as unique as their personalities.

The vocabulary used in the film takes time to learn but soon becomes second nature.

The story takes place mostly



Source: www.rottentomatoes.com

around the high school and the town, which further deepens the journey that Brandon is taking.

JB: The dark mood of the film is offset by the adequate amount of dry comic relief.

While not as dark as most films of the noir genre it tries to update, "Brick" does use a modern style in its direction and editing which gives it a more progressive dynamic.

Interesting cuts and shots aren't as hard to come by as they are in most of the movies of today.

WB: With a year starting off with a flood of great dramas

and thrillers, "Brick" wades through with originality and character development.

A movie should make you forget that you drove to the theater and are sitting in uncomfortable seats; "Brick" did just this.

JB: It is this film's juxtapositions that make it successful.

The contrast between traditional storytelling and advanced editing reflect the contrast between the age of the characters and their style of speech.

A fresh execution of an old idea makes for a very good movie experience.

Book / angst and college mix

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of girl that has an affair with a married Spanish man while his wife and kids are visiting their homeland.

One thing in book three that seems to be lacking somewhat are Jessica's witty and sarcastic comments. This book is intended to be more serious and mature,

but the humor is still missed.

This book is appealing to many people because McCafferty inserts timely issues and pop culture topics, like the 2004 tsunamis, iPods, Facebook and AXE deodorant into her novels.

I guess for me, and most other fans of McCafferty's books, this book is mostly about

Jessica and Marcus. They finally got together at the end of book two, leaving everyone wanting so much more. When a friend who has read books one and two asked if they were together in the third book, I had to answer "yes and no," and I will leave it at that in case anyone likes suspense.

Although McCafferty origi-

nally wasn't going to write book three because she thought she had said all she had to say about Marcus and Jessica, she decided the characters weren't finished. Luckily for obsessed fans like myself, there is currently a fourth book in the works. It will be about "real" life after college—and I must say, I can't wait.

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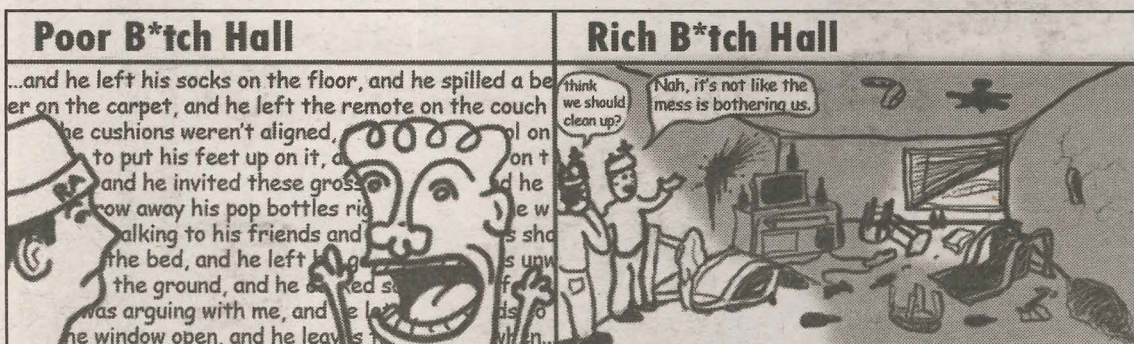
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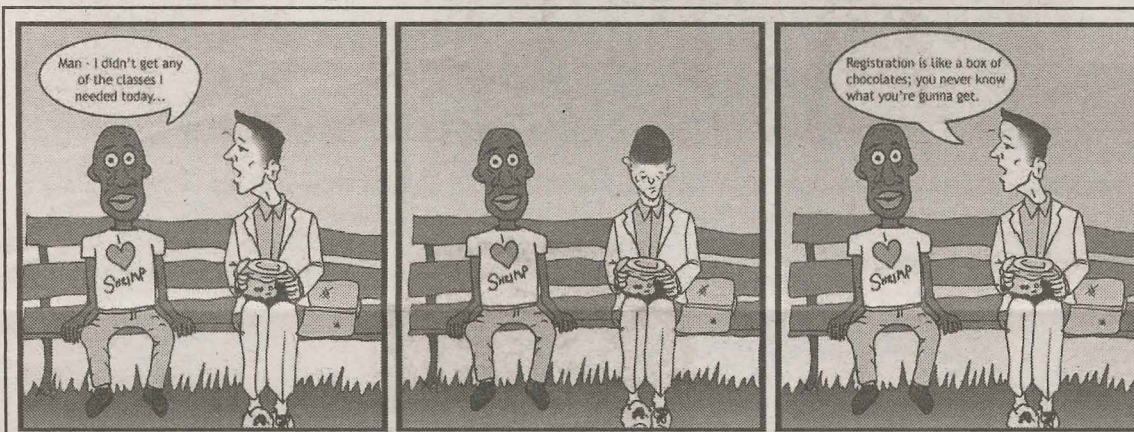
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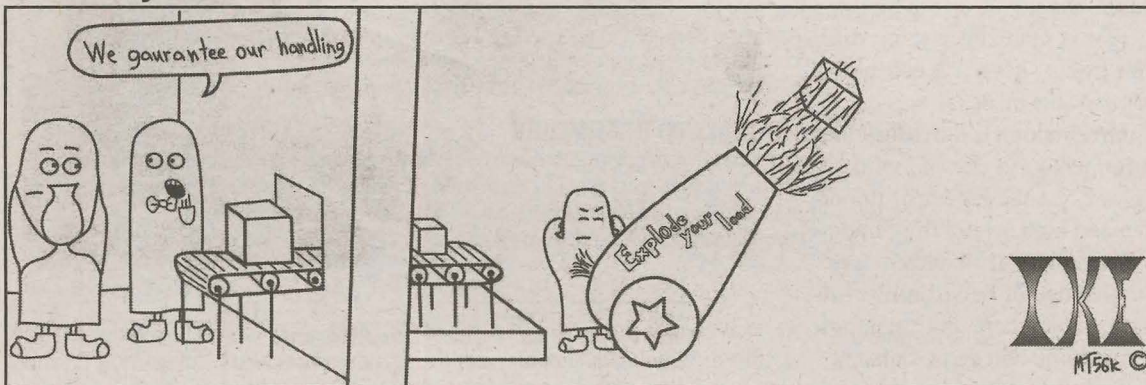
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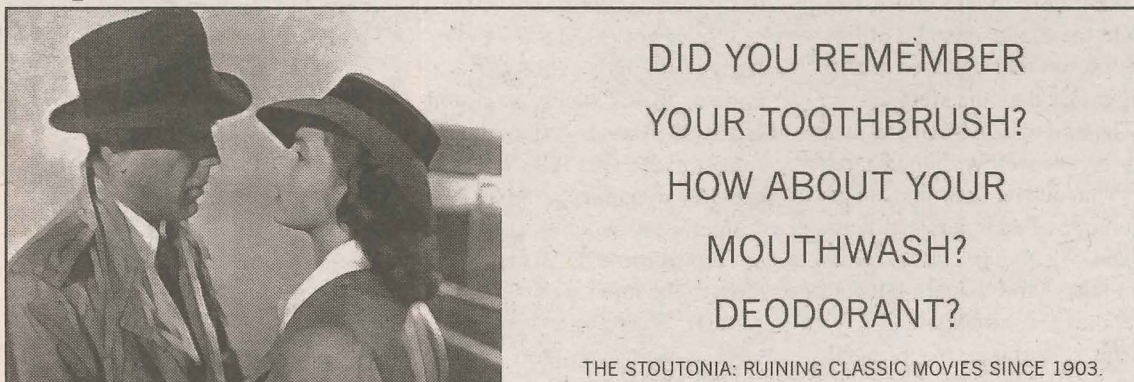
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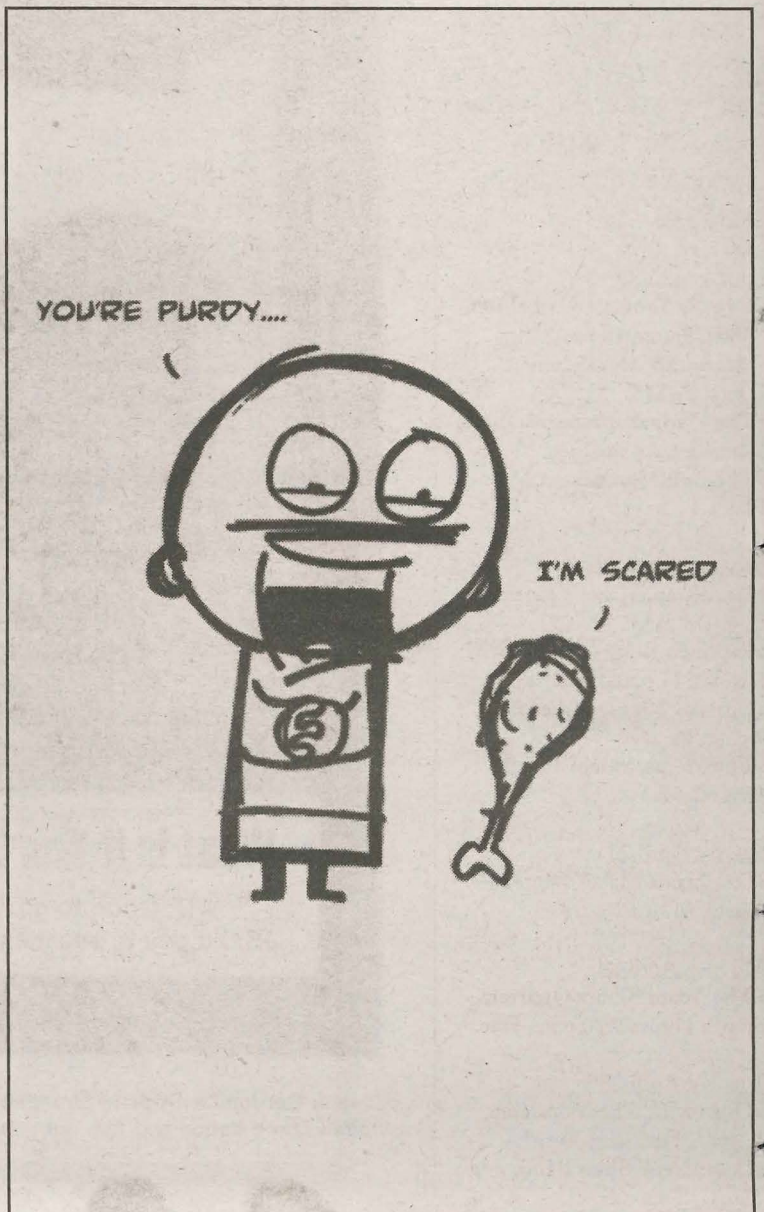
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WordSearch: Who Said It?

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Directions: First decide who said the quote, then look for the last name of that person in the puzzle above.

"In time we hate that which we often fear."
A.) W. Shakespeare B.) W. Faulkner C.) Saint Augustine

"I have never taken any exercise except sleeping and resting."
A.) A. Einstein B.) Sir W. Churchill C.) M. Twain

"The other day I got out my can opener and was opening a can of worms when I thought, 'What am I doing?!'"
A.) Will Ferrell B.) Ellen DeGeneres C.) Jack Handy

"It is good to live and learn."
A.) Miguel de Cervantes B.) Ralph Waldo Emerson C.) Ann Landers

"Every major horror of history was committed in the name of an altruistic motive."
A.) Alexander the Great B.) Ayn Rand C.) Gene Wolf

"Nothing lives long, only the Earth and the mountains."
A.) White Antelope B.) Crazy Horse C.) Black Kettle

"Impossible is a word to be found only in the dictionary of fools."
A.) Napoleon Bonaparte B.) Napoleon Dynamite C.) Noah Webster

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1 1	220 12th Avenue	\$250	\$250	\$250	\$250	Includes all utilities, washer/dryer, good location	SR
1 1	400 1/2 Main Street #1	\$270	\$270	n/a	n/a	WSG+HW inc. storage, close to campus	6
1 1	802 6th Avenue #1	\$290	\$290	n/a	n/a	Utilities included, parking	6
1 1	613 13th Street #8	\$295	\$295	n/a	n/a	Nice location, incl. WSG & hot water, studio	8
1 1	703 1/2 3rd Street East #2	\$295	\$295	n/a	n/a	Great location, includes WSG & heat	S/EA
1 1	703 1/2 3rd Street East #3	\$295	\$295	n/a	n/a	Great location, includes WSG & heat	S/EA
1 1	802 6th Avenue #3	\$315	\$315	n/a	n/a	Includes all utilities, parking	6
1 1	611 13th Street #7	\$325	\$325	n/a	n/a	Nice location, incl. WSG & hot water, studio	8
1 1	400 1/2 Main Street #3	\$330	\$330	n/a	n/a	WSG+HW inc. storage, close to campus	6
1 1	703 1/2 3rd Street East #4	\$345	\$345	n/a	n/a	Great location, includes WSG & heat, 1 parking	S/EA
1 1	803 Wilson Avenue #5	\$335	\$335	n/a	n/a	Great location, utilities included, parking	8
1 1	400 1/2 Main Street #5	\$350	\$350	n/a	n/a	WSG+HW inc. storage, close to campus	6
1 1	803 Wilson Avenue #2	\$350	\$350	n/a	n/a	Great location, utilities included, parking	8
1 1	1218 1/2 9th Street	\$375	\$375	n/a	n/a	Gas heat, upper duplex, great location	D
1 1	803 Wilson Avenue #3	\$395	\$395	n/a	n/a	Great location, utilities included, parking	8
2 1	1506 1/2 6th Street	\$330	\$165	\$428	\$214	Enclosed front porch, great location	D
2 1	115 West Main Street	\$380	\$190	\$500	\$250	Close to campus and downtown	3
2 1	119 West Main Street #2	\$380	\$190	\$450	\$225	Close to campus and downtown, parking	3
2 1	2121 5th Street #C	\$395	\$198	n/a	n/a	Inc. WSG, washer dryer	4
2 1	603 13th Street #3	\$395	\$198	n/a	n/a	nice location, includes heat WSG	4
2 1	915 1/2 Main Street	\$395	\$198	\$495	\$248	Good location in duplex, parking	D
2 1	1415 14th Street West	\$410	\$205	\$540	\$270	Gas heat, garge, modern, location, West side	D
2 1	1506 6th Street	\$420	\$210	\$590	\$295	Huge bedrooms, enclosed front porch	D
2 1	1221 1/2 7th Street	\$440	\$247	n/a	n/a	Inc. heat, WSG, hot water, excellent location	4
2 1	421 Wilson Avenue #1	\$495	\$247	n/a	n/a	Inc. heat, WSG, hot water, parking	6
2 1	421 Wilson Avenue #5	\$495	\$270	n/a	n/a	Inc. heat, WSG, hot water, parking	6
2 1	421 Wilson Avenue #6	\$495	\$270	n/a	n/a	Inc. heat, WSG, hot water, parking	6
3 1	1503 7th Street	\$570	\$190	n/a	n/a	Close to campus and downtown	H
3 1	208 13th Avenue West.	\$600	\$200	n/a	n/a	Lrg. Rooms, gas heat, parking	D
3 1	921 Main Street #3	\$600	\$200	\$765	\$255	Good location, parking, economical	4
3 1.5	414 14th Avenue West	\$660	\$220	n/a	n/a	Washer/dryer, good location, gas heat	D
3 1	802 6th Avenue #4	\$675	\$225	n/a	n/a	Utilities included, parking	6
3 1	147 1/2 Main Street #B	\$780	\$260	n/a	n/a	Inc. Utilities, W/D great location, very large	A
4 1	1120 15th Avenue	\$600	\$150	\$720	\$180	Washer/dryer excellent shape/lrg rooms	D
4 1	1809 6th Street	\$600	\$150	\$810	\$203	Washer/dryer, gas heat, garage	H
4 1	321 13th Avenue West	\$525	\$148	\$765	\$191	Super location, washer/dryer	H

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\$800	\$200	\$980	\$245	Good location in duplex, parking	D
\$820	\$205	\$1,000	\$250	Large rooms, W/D parking, location	H
\$820	\$205	\$970	\$243	Modern, high eff. Gas heat, W/D a/c	8
\$820	\$205	\$970	\$243	Modern, high eff. Gas heat, W/D a/c	8
\$820	\$205	\$970	\$243	Modern, high eff. Gas heat, W/D a/c	8
\$920	\$230	\$1,170	\$293	Beautiful house, garage, location, washer/dryer	H
\$1,000	\$250	\$1,245	\$331	Beautiful house w/decks close to campus W/D	H
\$900	\$180	\$1,145	\$229	Washer/dryer great location	H
\$1,025	\$205	\$1,305	\$261	Detached garage, large, washer/dryer	H
\$1,000	\$200	\$1,280	\$256	Washer/dryer, parking, good location, large	D
\$1,200	\$240	\$1,477	\$289	Washer/dryer, parking, large bedrooms	D
\$1,050	\$175	\$1,330	\$222	Modern house very lrg. rooms, good location	H
\$1,170	\$195	\$1,450	\$242	Washer/dryer new carpet, very nice	H
\$1,200	\$200	\$1,445	\$241	New, large bedrooms, washer/dryer	4
\$1,200	\$200	\$1,445	\$241	Newer unit, great location, washer/dryer	D
\$1,100	\$183	\$1,360	\$226	Location, washer/dryer Parking	D
\$1,190	\$170	\$1,415	\$202	Great location, washer/dryer	H
\$1,260	\$180	n/a	n/a	Near campus, shopping, garage and wash/dry	H
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What a difference a game makes

By Jessica Boe
Sports Editor

The second annual 3-on-3 basketball tournament, "Hoops for Hope," which benefits St. Jude Children's Research Hospital will be held at 8 a.m. this Saturday, April 22, in the Multipurpose Room of the Recreation Athletic Complex.

This event is sponsored by the University of Wisconsin-Stout Greek community, B-95 Hot Country radio station and St. Jude.

If interested, you may register at the Student Organization Center (SOC desk). The cost is \$50 per a team, and all proceeds profit St. Jude.

According to St. Jude's Web site, St. Jude is America's third-largest health-care charity and has "a model that keeps the costs down and the funds flowing, so the science never stops."

All patients accepted for treatment at St. Jude are treated without regard to the family's

ability to pay, nobody is charged beyond what insurance will pay, and those without insurance are never asked to pay.

The late entertainer, Danny Thomas, founded St. Jude, based out of Memphis, Tenn. in 1962. St. Jude has 60 inpatient beds, treats 163 patients each day and helps close to 5,000 in active status, most of whom are treated on an outpatient basis.

St. Jude is changing the world and the way it treats children with cancer and other catastrophic diseases.

Their current basic and clinical research includes work in gene therapy, bone marrow transplant, chemotherapy, the biochemistry of normal and cancerous cells, radiation treatment, blood diseases, resistance to therapy, viruses, hereditary diseases, influenza, pediatric AIDS and psychological effects of catastrophic illnesses.

St. Jude also conducts long-term bio-statistical investigations on its patients and is the only pediatric research hospital supported by a National Cancer

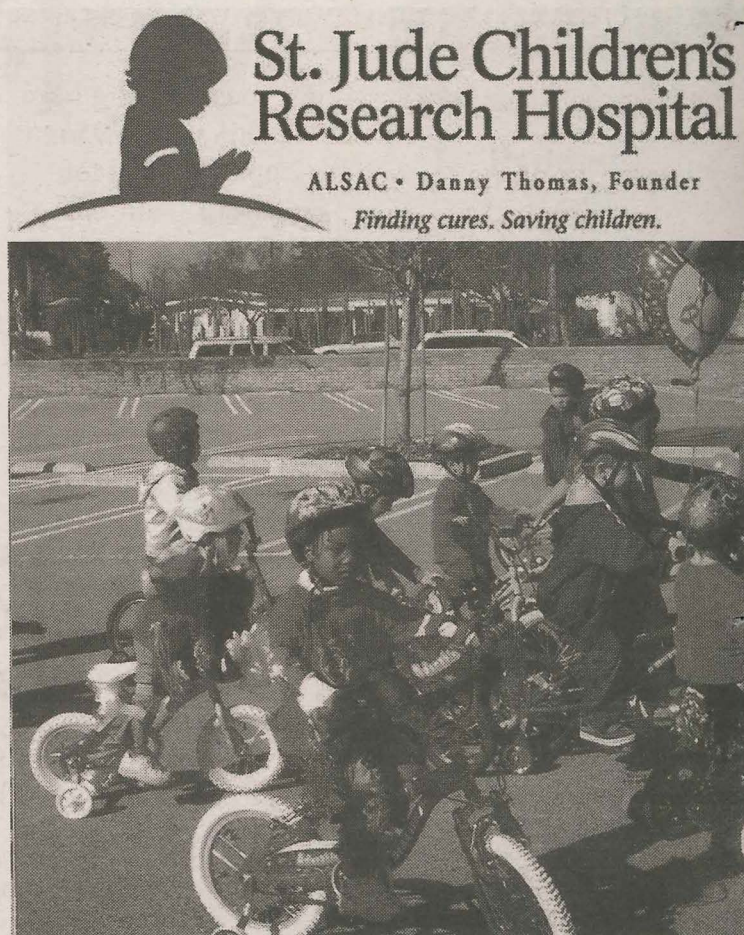
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One of the most admirable elements of St. Jude is their focus on the child and family's emotional needs. St. Jude features the "Child Life Program," which helps to minimize stress and maintain a normal life for the children.

Education is their focus, since it is such a vital part of a child's development and St. Jude employs teachers who instruct each child for a minimum of three hours per week.

If you have any questions about "Hoops for Hope," contact Tara Montgomery at montgomeryt@uwstout.edu. If you would like to make a donation to St. Jude, visit their Web site at www.stjude.org/donate, which gives instructions for various donations, including honor and memorial gifts.

When:
Saturday April 22, 8 a.m.
Where:
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Source: www.stjude.org
The children of St. Jude will benefit from funds raised at "Hoops for Hope."

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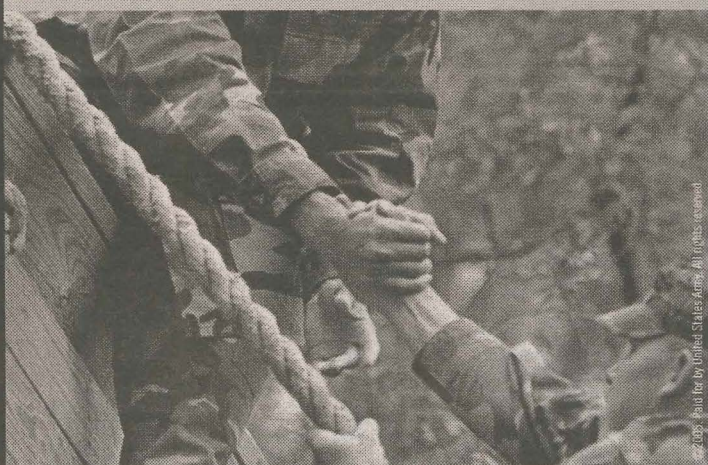
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Blue Devil
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(8-17)

The baseball team lost to UW-Stevens Point 7-5 and 1-0 on April 19.

Next Game:
April 22 hosting
Bethel University

Men's
Track & Field

Derek Gozenbach placed first in the 400-meter hurdles while Brett Heimstead took second in the steeplechase at the Blue-gold Invitational.

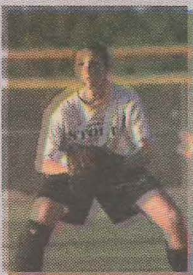
Women's
Track & Field

Char Edwards placed fourth in the 100-hurdles at the Leo Krough Invitational at Gustavus Adolphus College.

Softball
(5-15)

The softball team was defeated by UW-Superior 8-0 and 7-5 on April 14.

Next Game:
April 20 hosting
UW-River Falls



A "Rookie" at Stout

By Casey Nold
Sports Writer

Retired professional baseball player Jim Morris is coming to the University of Wisconsin-Stout next Tuesday, April 25. Morris will be speaking in the Great Hall from 2:30-4 p.m.

Morris' life as a professional baseball player started on nothing more than a bet from his high school baseball team in Texas, where he was also a high school science teacher.

He made a deal with the team he coached that if they made it into the playoffs, he would try out for the majors. When his team made the playoffs Morris kept good on his bet, and tried out for the majors.

At the tryouts, Morris proved his worth with his 98 mph throw. The Tampa Bay Devil Rays caught on to his talent quickly, and when they learned about the power behind his arm, they signed Morris to a major league contract. Jim Morris became a 35-year-old rookie.

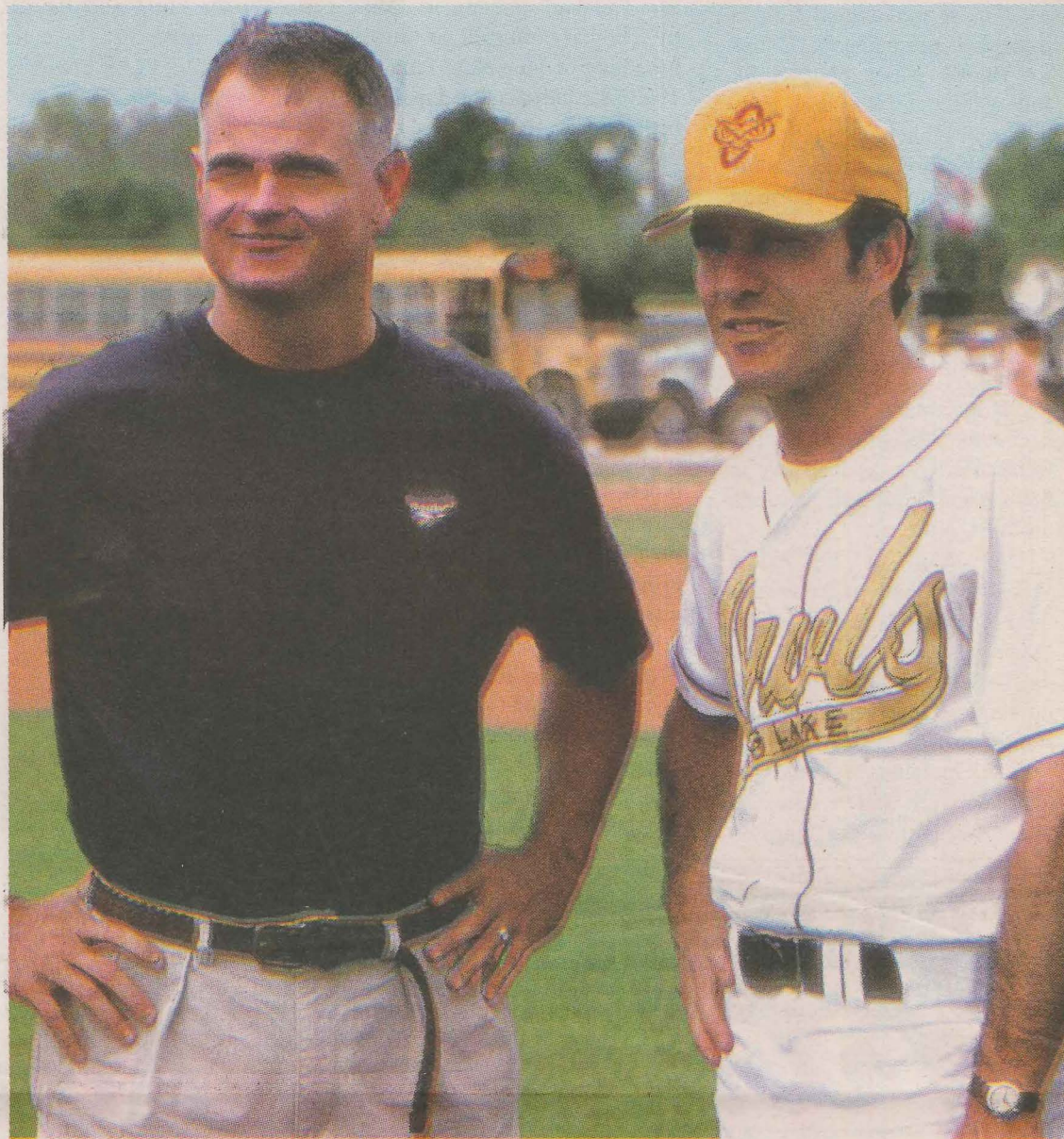
He struck out the very first batter he ever faced in the major leagues. Morris had a promising talent and drive for the game, but previous shoulder injuries led to a relapse a few years into his major league experience.

He ended his career as a professional baseball player during spring training with the Los Angeles Dodgers in 2001 due to surgery performed on his shoulder.

While Morris may have just had a lucky chance, his story inspired the movie "The Rookie," which received amazing reviews and was said to be one of the best baseball stories of all time. Dennis Quaid played Jim Morris in the movie, which was dedicated to Morris' triumph.

The movie was so realistic and truthful that even the producers were amazed by the simplicity of directing the story and the beauty behind it.

"I didn't have to change anything in this movie," said Mark Ciardi, the former Brew-



Jim Morris will visit UW-Stout on April 25 to speak to students about his life. Morris made a deal with the team he coached that if they made the playoffs, he would try out for the majors. The team won the deal and Jim's 98 mph fastball landed him a major league contract with the Tampa Bay Devil Rays.

ers pitcher who produced it. "It wrote itself."

Morris also co-wrote a book about his experiences called "The Oldest Rookie."

Next Tuesday is a big event for baseball fans, fans of the movie "The Rookie" or anyone who wants to hear a great story about an amazing baseball dream come true.

The event is free for anyone who wants to attend. There will be many raffles for signed baseballs and signed copies of "The Rookie." Also, the State Cinema 4 on Broadway Street is showing "The Rookie" for anyone who shows their UW-Stout ID, for only \$1. They will be running the movie from April 20 through April 26.

Welcome Jim Morris to UW-Stout and come see a baseball legend.

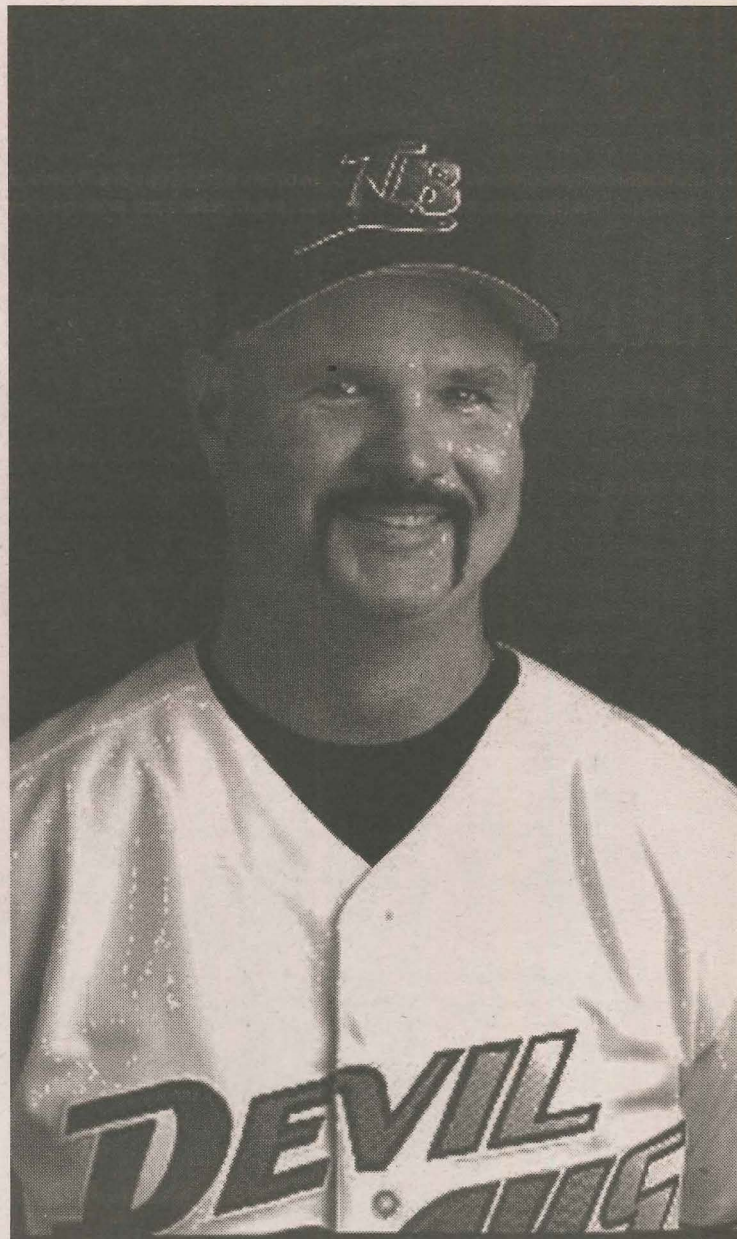
The Event

Who: Jim Morris

When: Tuesday, April 25, 2:30-4 p.m.

Charge: Free

Also See: "The Rookie" starring Dennis Quaid at State Cinema 4 on Broadway Street. Cost is \$1 with student ID. The movie will be running from April 20 through April 26.



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After his career, Morris wrote a book on his life, titled "The Oldest Rookie." The book inspired the popular movie "The Rookie," which starred Dennis Quaid.

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23 confirmed cases of the mumps

By Carolyn Smith
Badger Herald Writer

MADISON -- Along with the usual junk mail and spam, University of Wisconsin students will find in their inboxes this morning an e-mail warning them about the mumps.

As of Monday, there were 23 laboratory confirmed cases of the mumps in Wisconsin, and though there have been no reported cases at UW, University Health Services officials say it is likely UW may see its first case soon.

"It is only matter of time," Kathy Poi, executive director of UHS said. "The good news is that we only have three weeks left this semester, and hopefully that will help prevent a major outbreak here."

In order to make students, faculty and staff more aware of the potential threat of mumps, UHS sent the e-mail, which tells of the symptoms of mumps and also how to protect against getting the virus.

"The main message [in the e-mail] is that everybody in the university community needs to

ensure that they are immune — if they have been immunized, were born before 1957 or had mumps as a child," Craig Roberts, a UW epidemiologist, said.

He added that any person who has not been vaccinated or only received one of the two required shots should get vaccinated against the virus as soon as possible.

Mumps is most known for causing swelling of the salivary glands, headache, fever, fatigue and loss of appetite, according to a Wisconsin Department of Health and Family Services (DHFS) release.

Both Poi and Roberts noted that though most students have been protected from getting the mumps through vaccination, all UW students, faculty and staff should check their vaccination records to be absolutely certain.

Under current state law, children enrolling in kindergarten are required to be up-to-date with their measles-mumps-rubella vaccines. However, the first MMR vaccine — which is usually given to infants 12 to 15 months of age

— is about 80 percent effective at preventing mumps while the second vaccine provides 90 to 95 percent protection.

"Our suspicion is that

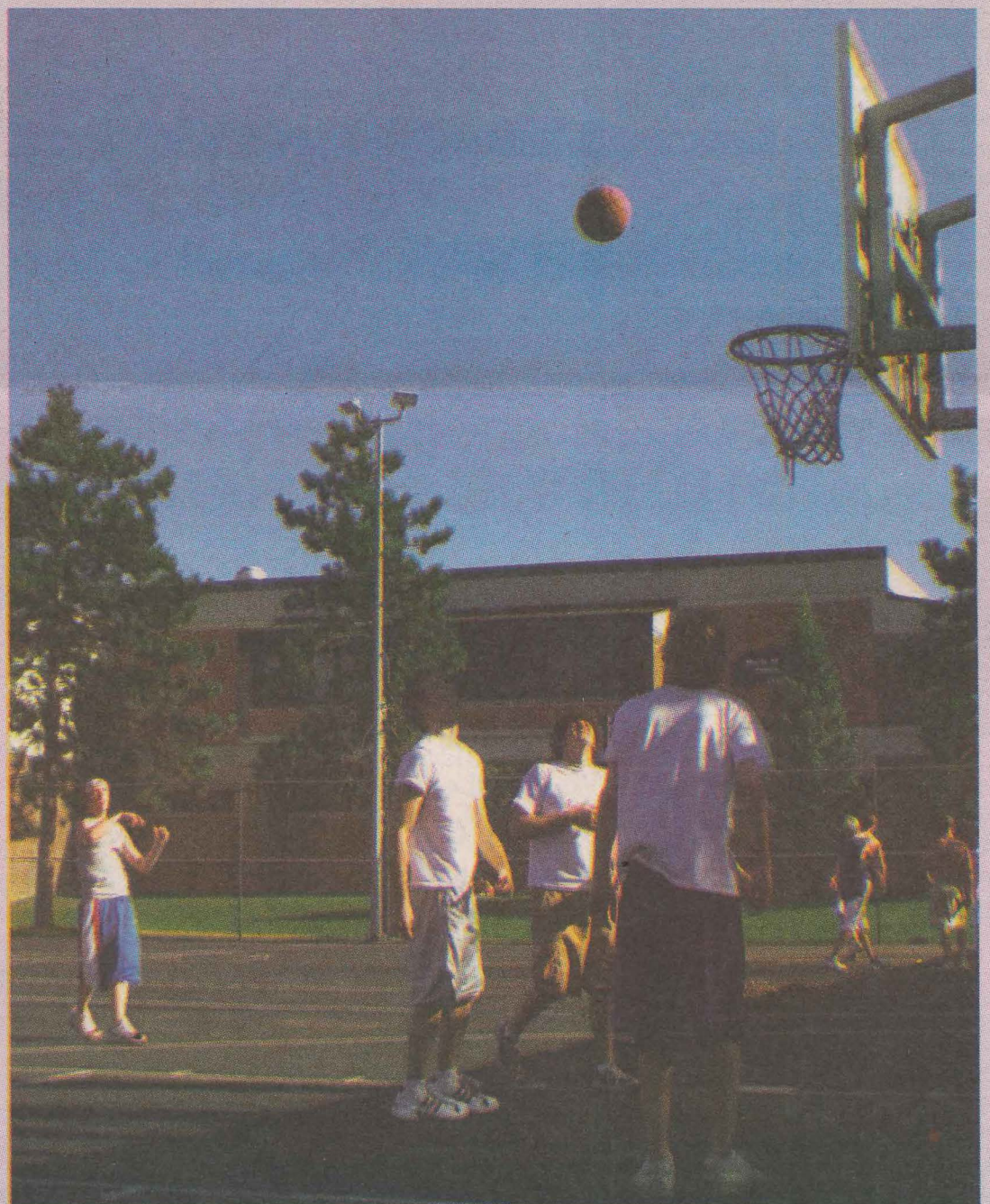
most of our students have been vaccinated, but there is still that around 5 percent that will be vulnerable," Poi said.

According to the Centers

for Disease Control and Prevention Web site, the current outbreak of mumps began in December in Iowa, and now

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The outdoors is warming up



Drew Retherford/Stoutonia

As the sun comes out so do the students at the University of Wisconsin-Stout. South campus, mostly empty during the chillier months of winter, has become a live spot for all students. Grilling, frisbee golf and basketball are just some of the favorite outdoor activities.

JTC to come down

By Lindsey Schultdt
News Editor

When those graduating from the University of Wisconsin-Stout come back as alumni after 2009, they will no longer be able to visit Jeter-Tainter-Callahan (JTC) hall. As of right now, JTC is scheduled to be destroyed in the 2009-2010 academic school year.

"When I heard they are going to tear it down it kind of made me sad," said Sarah Cook, a senior in psychology. "Some of my favorite memories from freshman year were in that dorm."

In 2003, the North Campus Planning Committee made the decision that JTC would have to be torn down as part of the renovation on that side of campus. Many wondered when the rest of the renovation would be finished after Red Cedar Hall was built last year.

"Maintenance and renovation issues associated with older buildings are costly," said Scott Griesbach, director of university housing.

This is why the building will not be renovated like HKMC was several years ago. Built

in the 1950s, JTC is the oldest residence hall on campus.

"Plus, students today prefer more privacy, like we have in Red Cedar Hall, which is a different style of residence hall than JTC," said Griesbach.

Another part of the plan for renovating north campus is to have a new dining facility built. Since the old dining facility on north campus is in Tainter, the building cannot be demolished until after the new facility is built.

"I can't say I miss eating at Tainter," said Chad Johnson, a junior in manufacturing engineering. "But it will be weird that other kids will never get the chance to say that."

The location for this new eating arena is planned to be between Hovlid and Fleming halls, and it would conjoin the two buildings. The plans for the dining area are to begin in fall 2006, and construction on it will begin the following year; it is expected to be finished in 2009, just in time to have JTC torn down.

"The ebb and flow of enrollment figures affects

housing needs, both on and off campus," says Griesbach. "Our enrollment numbers were a bit lower the previous two years, and that translated to lower numbers of students for housing."

This year, with the enrollment cap removed, there were more than enough students to fill all of the residence halls. This meant that JTC was still needed for this year to house all of the incoming freshman and

returning sophomores.

Griesbach says that the overabundance of freshman this year will mostly be out of the residence halls by the time JTC is torn down and will benefit the Menomonie community as they have benefited the UW-Stout campus.

"Off-campus landlords will likely see a jump in their numbers in a few years as the current freshman class works

its way through their market," said Griesbach. "They also benefited this year from our need to release some sophomores into the community so that we could accommodate the large freshman class."

After JTC is torn down, the number of on-campus student residents will be approximately 2,700 students.

Stout Founder's Day

By Lindsey Schuldt
News Editor

The time of year has come to showcase some of University of Wisconsin-Stout's best student and organizational achievements as well as faculty and alumni honors. Founder's Day, a day used to celebrate all of these people and organizations as well as reaffirming the educational legacy of our founder, James Huff Stout, will be held on

Sunday, April 30.

Sponsored by the Stout University Foundation, the Stout Student Association (SSA) and the Dean of Students office, the event will begin at 2 p.m. and will start in the ballrooms of the Memorial Student Center with an organizational fair.

There will be live entertainment and free snacks and drinks in the ballrooms, followed by a reception at 3:30 p.m. in the Great Hall. The awards program

will begin at 6 p.m. in the Great Hall and include many honored faculty and students. There are awards from the SSA, awards for teaching and service, and awards sponsored by alumni.

"My dad wants to come to class with me on Monday because he graduated here so many years ago," said Liz Anderson, a junior in general business.

Although Founder's Day

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at least seven other states have confirmed cases of the virus. As of Monday, three confirmed cases of mumps were reported in Dane County, DHFS reported.

There are now more than 800 cases of mumps in Iowa and more than 1,000 in the U.S. according to the CDC.

DHFS spokesperson Stephanie Marquis said Wisconsin is doing everything it can to keep tabs on the virus to

stop it from spreading.

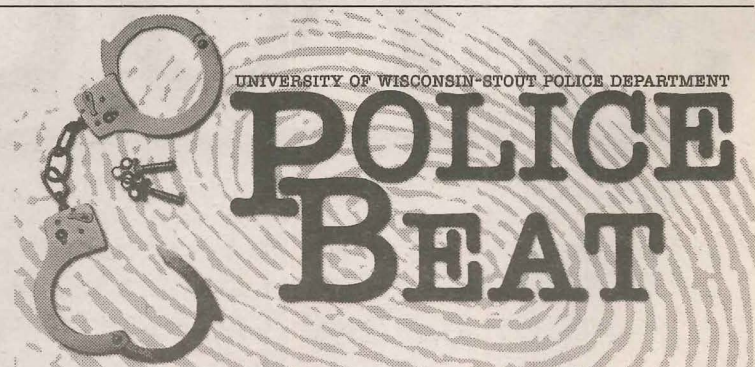
"What we are doing ... is to monitor diseases, not only in the state, but in the nation and the world," Marquis said. "We are working with local health departments, state experts and infection control specialists to make sure we can prevent the spread of mumps in the state."

But residents can also help prevent the spread of mumps themselves by practicing good hygiene, Marquis added.

The area of most concern

to the state right now, Marquis said, is in the counties bordering Iowa, as 11 of the 23 total confirmed cases in Wisconsin are in Grant County.

"We want to make sure if someone has been exposed to the mumps and hasn't been vaccinated or is not sure, that they get vaccinated and protected," Marquis said, noting that having an additional MMR vaccine would not be harmful in any way.



Police Beat: 4/17-4/23

UAD 1st Offense: 4
UAD 2nd Offense: 2
Poss. of Drug Paraphernalia: 1
Possession of Marijuana: 1

Take the stairs

On Friday, April 21, a CKTO elevator trapped a student on the fourth floor. The Menomonie Fire Department, along with University of Wisconsin-Stout officers, successfully rescued the student but were not able to reset the elevator.

Don't get claustrophobic

On Tuesday, April 18, the elevator located in the Memorial Student Center malfunctioned on the bottom floor, trapping a man inside.

Graffiti is amateur grade

On Monday, April 17, someone was observed spray painting

USB symbols on the pillars of the west entrance of Micheels Hall. Small parachutes were identified on the pillar of the north entrance to the Memorial Student Center, and five green paintings were found on the sidewalk. The images appeared to be the same type of material and amateur grade in quality compared to previous placements around campus.

**THANK
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**For not smashing
anymore mirrors in
lot 4 this week.**

Summer Session May 30 - August 6

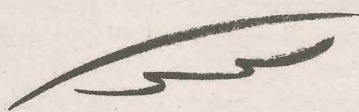
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Stout / awards are given for excellence

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is on Sunday, Monday is bring alumni to class day.

"It's almost like torture for wanting to skip school and go to work with him when I was in elementary," said Anderson. "But he thinks it's cool so it might be fun."

There will be a breakfast at 7:30 a.m. in the Merle Price Commons for all of the alumni on May 1. Most of the alumni will be matched with a student who is currently in their major and will get the chance to see how things have changed since they were students.

"I never knew there were so many awards given to so many people," said Sam Myers, a senior in graphic design. "It's nice to know our teachers are getting rewarded for their work. They don't get enough recognition for all they do."

Everyone is welcome to attend the organizational fair at 2:30 p.m. to find more information about all of the different organizations. If students also choose to attend the awards ceremony, they are welcome to attend.

Best Event by an Organization-

·International Dinner (International Relations Club)

Service Project of the Year-

·Hearts and Hammers Program Day (Sigma Chi Lambda)

Advisor of the Year-

·Vickie Kuester (International Relations Club)

Samuel E. Wood Medallion Award-

·Adam Duffenbach

·Adam Enerson

·Stephanie Hennick

·Ashley Howard

·Quentin Lenz

·Shawn Peter

·Jenny Schuh

·Justen Willemon

·Tom Zinkle Jr.

Outstanding Graduate Faculty Award-

·Kathleen Deery (College of Human Development)

Educator of the Year-

·Hector Cruz

Outstanding Teaching Awards-

·Jeanne Foley and Martin Ondrus (College of Arts and Sciences)

·Ed Biggerstaff and Susan Wolfram (College of Human Development)

·Robert Hendricks and Jerry Coomer (College of Technology, Engineering and Management)

·Judith Herr and Hector Cruz (School of Education)

Outstanding Service Award-

·Holly Demarce (University Recreation)

·Tracy DeRusha (School of Education)

Outstanding Service Office Award-

·Career Services

The Merle Price Faculty Award of Excellence-

·Laura McCullough (College of Arts and Sciences)

The Price Academic Staff Award of Excellence-

·Bill Wikrent (Learning Technology Services)

Outstanding Alumni Award-

·James B. Libby, BS '83

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Arrested for protesting

Twenty-one people were arrested at the West Point Military Academy this past weekend for protesting against the "don't ask, don't tell" policy the military holds. The protesters felt that the discrimination against gay, lesbian and trans gender students should not go unseen. After repeatedly entering the post after being warned not to, some of the protesters were arrested. This was the last stop on the protest which went to 50 different Christian and military schools. There were arrests at five of the schools.

Cell phones in prison

Authorities in Austin, Texas, are getting worried about cell phones being used in prison for cash. Where as cigarettes used to be traded, inmates are now trading minutes for phones in an attempt to try to escape. Last year alone there were 135 phones confiscated in Austin and this year there were already 90 confiscated through mid-April.

Vitamin C and E myth

Researchers recently found out that vitamin C and E do not help to reduce the risk of preeclampsia, a complication that can kill both the mother and child during birth. It was previously thought that women who took supplements would be less likely to have this problem. A British study also found that taking the supplements does not help re-

duce the risk of preeclampsia in women who are already at high risk and might harm their babies by giving them a smaller birth weight. Preeclampsia happens when vessels in the mother's womb constrict, cutting off blood and oxygen to the fetus. It occurs in late pregnancy and produces a spike in blood pressure. There is no explanation for why this complication happens and no known cures for it.

Illegal birth

Maria Perez Perez, an illegal immigrant from an unknown nationality, was found in a Jeep in the middle of the Arizona desert by border police who noticed that the Jeep wasn't moving. Perez Perez was giving birth to her child but no one in the car had ever delivered a baby or given birth. The baby's umbilical cord was cut with a nail clipper, and the baby and mother both appeared to be doing just fine after being driven to the hospital by the border patrol.

Teach for America

Students from top schools across the nation are applying to work at the toughest high schools in America. Students who received honors from schools like Yale and Columbia are finding themselves flustered and unable to teach in the conditions they are being thrown into.

How much are your friends worth?



Staff Editorial The Stoutonia Staff

It's Thursday night, you're out at a party and one of your friends has had way too much to drink and may actually be in need of help.

What do you do? Do you risk getting an underage by taking them to hospital or calling the police? Or do you just bring them home and hope that they wake up fine the next morning?

It seems that many students would choose option number two, maybe too many students.

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This may not seem like a serious problem. Many of us have probably seen someone that has had more than his or her share of alcohol and thought nothing of it.

But, according to the National Council on Alcoholism and Drug Dependence, alcohol contributes to 100,000 deaths annually. This makes it the third leading cause of preventable mortality in the United States.

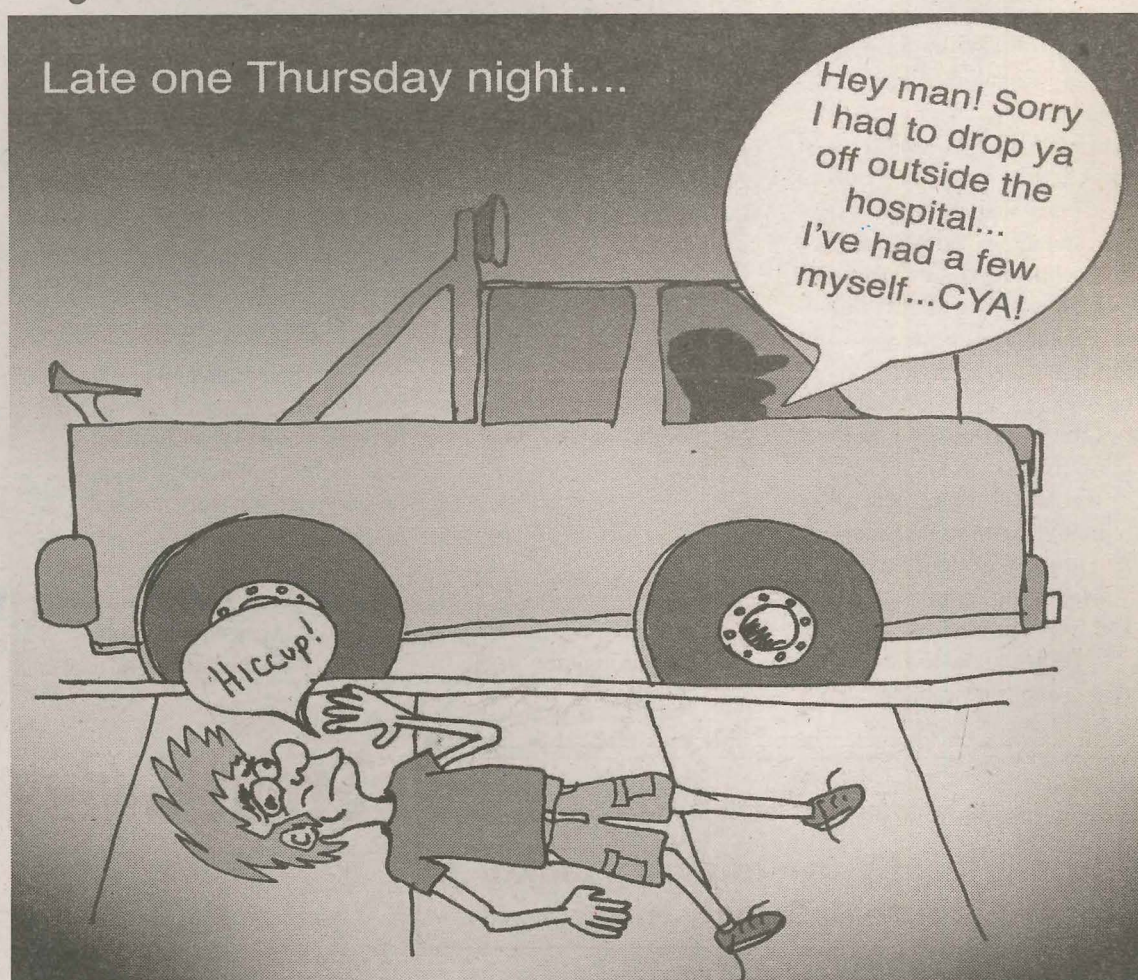
At least one Stoutonia staff member had recently seen the effects of someone who had consumed a dangerous amount of alcohol and whose friends were hesitant to seek help.

And at least one other member of The Stoutonia's staff knew someone whose death was the result of an accident that involved the consumption of alcohol; a death that could have easily been prevented.

The problem is real. But how far are students willing to go to help their friends?

We all know that it can be hard to get someone who is drunk to cooperate. But that doesn't mean you shouldn't try. It's worth it if it means saving their life.

There are many things that could be done to take the attention away from drinking. Ask your friend to go dance with you. They will probably



either put their drink down, or it will be spilling while they are dancing so they won't be drinking it.

Everyone gets hungry when drunk; suggest going to get some food.

This can also be a good strategy to use to prevent a friend from leaving with a complete stranger.

Sure your friend will probably fight and argue with you to let them leave with that

person, but chances are they won't feel the same way the next morning when they wake up with someone whose name they can't even remember.

If you don't want to be taking your friends to the hospital later, you need to be responsible.

It's the same concept as having a designated driver. When it's so easy to walk everywhere, no one feels like they need to stay sober. But

it's not a bad idea for someone to only have a couple of drinks in order to keep track of the rest of their friends.

While this may not be the "cool" thing to do, wouldn't it be better to be picked on all night at the party than to need to take your friend to detox later.

Many students may not think this is really a problem, but just take a look around the next time you are a party.

Bowling alley in MSC may soon be gone



Michael Graney
Columnist

I discovered a troubling item at the last Stout Student Association meeting that I attended. The dilapidated bowling alley in the Memorial Student Center (MSC) might not be here much longer. This came as a shock to me.

The alley is in horrendous shape, and with Broadway Bowl open, it has become a secondary choice for bowling fun. Instead of trying to fix the problem, the university seems to be leaning towards eliminating the alley.

That is heart breaking for this bowler. At a previous school I attended, the bowling alley in the union was home to campus leagues of all varieties.

It was a great social meeting place where people could interact without the formalities of the classroom encompassing them.

The alley was maintained, so while the equipment might not have been brand spanking new, everything was in working order.

It is a wondrous activity place for students to go and occupy themselves while feeling like a member of the community, especially before one turns 21 and barhopping becomes legal.

As a current student of the University of Wisconsin-Stout, I don't have that same feeling. It could be possible that I'm blind to the community spirit on campus, but going by the bowling alley and hearing silence instead of the sound of pins

purpose only: to educate and be educated.

My opinion of what a student union should be is a center point of campus that is always filled with people and from which a certain liveliness emanates.

The existing bowling alley is an eyesore, being easily the oldest part of the entire MSC. It is also in the most disrepair. The lanes are warped, and the pin-setters frequently break down and don't necessarily place all the pins at once.

I had an idea to write a student tech fee proposal for updating and refurbishing the

the young, but even someone in their golden years can still be as competitive as a person in their prime (for example, a 79-year-old woman bowled a perfect 300).

Even scoring provides a community-like feeling with the fifth frame being the beer frame. If everyone strikes but one person, it is that person's turn to buy the round. And a person of any religious belief can bowl.

Maybe not only the alley needs a renovation; a combined space with an updated Pawn could make it more of an all-in-one stop for food and fun.

The space is there but is under-utilized. It is something that would make the MSC more than a place to have meetings and an occasional lunch; it could become a place that is the heart of campus with all sorts of people there.

Without a bowling alley, I feel that such a sense of community will not be possible. I hope to see sign up for a fall semester league.

I hope my fellow students see the benefits and need for a bowling alley in the MSC as much as I do.

"A student union should be ... a center point of campus that is always filled with people and from which a certain liveliness emanates."

falling is a telling sign.

Even when I was at a tech school, I saw more people around the common area hanging out and talking than I do here. People seem to be here for one purpose and one

alley. I still think that would be a good idea.

Bowling is inherently a social sport. It is an activity that can bring communities together, as well as different generations.

Many other sports favor



Letters to the Editor

If you wish to submit a Letter to the Editor, letters can be sent to stoutonia@uwstout.edu. Letters must be no longer than 250 words and must be submitted by 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday in order to run in that week's issue.

Auto Club still going

I just happened to stumble upon *The Stoutonia's* site, while looking for something else.

I was a freshman at Stout State University (I never have fully acquiesced to UW-Stout) in 1965. Some-time, in that school year or the next, I fell in with a bunch of like-minded characters and the Stout State Antique Automobile Club, Ltd. was founded.

I don't know if the current group is descended from,

or totally unrelated to, my old group, but I'm very pleased that a car club is still active on campus.

The "auto shop" program may be long gone, but the lingering ghosts of Hovlid Hall parking lot racecar building (in minus 20 F weather) appear to be in good company. Keep it up, kids.

Regards,

Charlie Henry
Farmington Hills, Mich.
cmhenry@arounddetroit.biz

Great thanks to all

As the honorary chair of the UW-Stout Relay for Life, I would like to thank both the CAC planning committee and the amazing students that participated this past weekend in Stout's event.

I was humbled when asked to be the honorary chair and now I am even more privileged to have been part of such an extraordinary effort. For twelve hours students walked, danced, shared and supported those who have survived, and remembered those who have not been so fortunate.

Their care, enthusiasm and willingness to give of their time belie the normal characterization of college students or people between the ages of 18-25.

While I do not know the exact number of participants, I would believe it was close to 500 students or more. They

raised \$50,000 to support cancer research and spent 12 hours of time when the semester is winding down and time is precious.

The work of the committee, which began way last fall when school commenced, was tremendous. Krystle Bernard, the chair, and the committee deserve enormous credit. I was fortunate to be adopted as a survivor (as were many others).

The Club Managers Association of America (CMAA) my adopters for the evening, was a wonderful group of students. Most of them stayed the entire event and still had smiles on their faces, albeit tired ones, on Saturday morning. They have asked me to return and I will be there!! You guys rock!!

Congratulations on a great event!!

Dr. Michael Martin

NASCAR's new products



Matt Schubbe

Columnist

If you truly love something, must you buy any and all paraphernalia related to that particular something?

That's what NASCAR is banking on, and they've somehow used that logic to justify a line of NASCAR meats.

NASCAR has launched this artery clogging initiative based on the fact that fans of everyone's favorite game of driving in circles have spent an estimated \$2.1 million on officially licensed products in the last year alone.

With that large of a fan base chomping at the bit for anything NASCAR, it stands to reason that NASCAR could potentially sell, well, anything to their dedicated patrons.

But meat? C'mon. Seriously, COME ON. Sure, people like to grill out and tailgate, but this is a little much. When I think of quality hot dogs (whose quality is suspect anyway) I don't think about NASCAR.

For some reason, the rubber hitting the road amidst endless sweaty, pitted out fans doesn't conjure within me a desire to gobble down frankfurters, but that might just be me.

And what's with the slogan: "Taste the Excitement!" What does that even mean? Are these hot dogs any more exciting than other hot dogs?

Are they chock full of some kind of secret NASCAR formula or rocket fuel or something?

My guess is no, and the "excitement" they're referring to is the excitement of driving in one direction for several hours. Ooh. I taste it already.

But the crazy, cross-promotional NASCAR products don't stop there. Recently, fragrance manufacturer Elizabeth Arden has announced an upcoming partnership with NASCAR to release a fragrance entitled "Daytona 500." Why?

Who would buy something like that? And for that matter, what would it smell like? What smells good about the Daytona 500? Can anyone name anything? I know I can't.

But maybe the smell isn't literally the Daytona 500. Maybe it's meant to evoke the smell of, um, raw speed?

Who knows for sure, but one thing I know is that I'm pretty sure speed doesn't have a smell either, unless this "Speed" fragrance smells a little like Keanu Reeves.

Then saying it smelled like speed would not be a falsehood. At any rate, it's about lunch time, and I've tasted about all the excitement I can handle just writing this article. I think I'll just stick to peanut butter and jelly. Unless NASCAR starts making that, too.

Take a couple minutes and let us know what you think!

<http://faculty.uwstout.edu/tankd/StoutoniaSurvey.html>

Stout Ale House Band Schedule



BILLY UGLY
Fri/Sat April 28-29
Ale House Stage



The Swing Crew
*Friday/ May 5th
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THE DWEEBS

Tuesday/ May 9th
Ale House Stage
Last Day of School!



The Mavens

Friday/ May 12th
Ale House Stage

BILLY UGLY

*Saturday/ May 12th
\$3.00 Cover - Concert Event
Graduation Night!



The Mavens

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Stout Swing Dance Club



Shawn Peter

Columnist

Over the last semester I've had the pleasure to join a brand new student organization on campus.

I'm glad I did, and I look forward to each club event because they are a lot of fun and, most importantly, I have won some great new friends. The new student organization is called the Stout Swing Club.

Swing dancing is a growing national phenomenon that has seen an increasing interest even at the University of Wisconsin-Stout.

Other schools that have recently adopted swing clubs include the University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire, Mankato State University and the University of Minnesota in the Twin Cities.

The Stout Swing Club is a rapidly growing organization with approximately 60 people interested and more than 30 people regularly attending the events. They do general club dance lessons, professional lessons and other club events on campus.

Once a month they attend the Tapestry, a real dancing establishment in the Twin Cities that boasts a live band and dancers who know how to put the moves on.

The main reason to become involved is that it's a really great way to meet some great people while having a great time. Not to mention, dancing is a physical activity that burns off a ton of calories, making it extremely healthy to dance.

One of the great benefits in joining the swing club at UW-Stout is that professional dance lessons are available here on campus.

No dance experience is necessary and those who are willing to learn, like myself, are welcomed with open arms. The lessons start with the basics and include more intermediate moves.

The core members are quite knowledgeable and are very good dancers who know the more expert moves.

The key to dancing is that "you learn as you go." Every time I've gone swing dancing, I've learned new things. Trust me, I'm not one of the greatest swing dancers, but every time I participate, it's a blast.

People are generally good spirited because they are having fun, and are willing to share their expert moves.

My past experience shows that they won't throw anyone out if they screw up. It's always "learning in progress," which increases the desire to keep dancing and have fun doing it.

There are still plenty of opportunities to get involved in the Stout Swing Club this semester. This Saturday, April 29, the Stout swing club will be hosting a huge event in Huff's, located in the Memorial Student Center, starting at 7 p.m.

They will have a professional dance instructor in the glass lounge Wednesday, May 3, at 7:30 p.m.

As I mentioned before, members from the club make an effort to attend the Tapestry once a month. It's a ton of fun because there's a live band, some really good dancers and a chance to dance with famous people from the Twin Cities area.

They plan on doing this on May 6. Contact Brandon at cernochb@uwstout.edu for more information. My best advice is to get involved and learn how to swing; it's worth every moment.

NBC edges near quality in sweeps



Matt Schubbe
Entertainment Writer

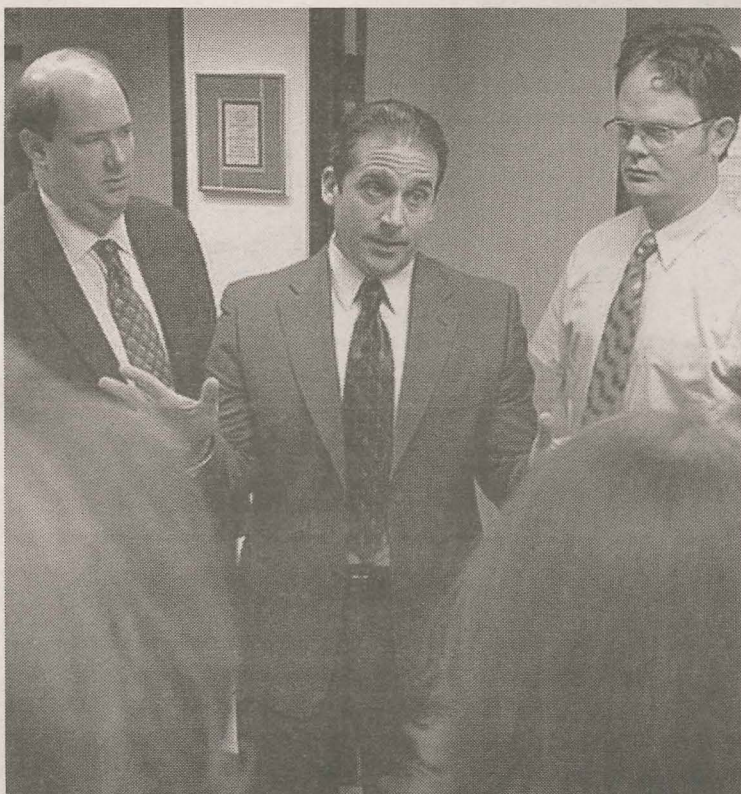
Essentially, all the networks are gearing up for sweeps, and because of that, there really isn't a whole lot going on in the already shallowing TV landscape.

But that doesn't mean that I can't find something to bag on. I always do. You know I always do. While nothing jumps out at me as praiseworthy or even mildly exciting, two small items of TV news have made me at least a little happier.

Should we do good news first, or better news? Let's do good first — that's usually how they do it on TV, and what else is this column about besides TV? My finicky tastes, maybe, but mostly TV.

So the good news. You know that celebrity cook-off show on NBC, "Celebrity Cooking Showdown"? Yeah, me neither, but based on the premise, I'm glad that I don't.

The show, hosted by Allen Thick, features C- and D- list celebrities cooking with profes-



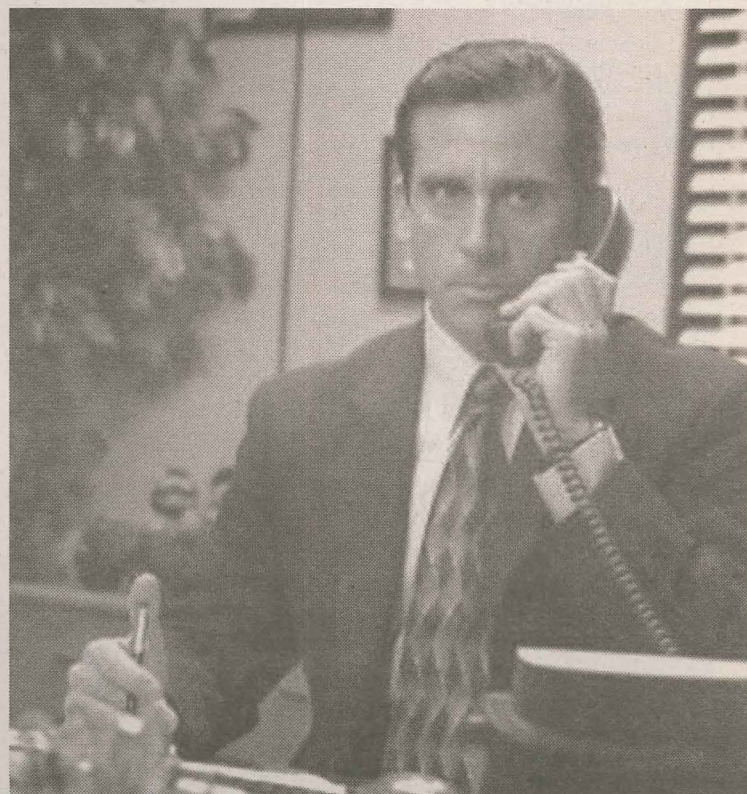
NBC's quirky comedy "The Office," loosely based on the British hit of the same name, stars Steve Carell and is a bright spot in NBC's otherwise lukewarm programming. Its season finale, penned by Carell and scheduled to run 40 minutes, promises to be quite good.

sionals in an "Iron Chef" kind of way. Needless to say, this show is being cancelled before its conclusion.

Any show that considers Ashley Parker a celebrity deserves this fate in my opinion. This wouldn't be such a big deal; shows get cancelled all the time. But this is, according to many sources, quite a rarity

in the fact that a major network is canceling an "unscripted" show before its final episode is slated to air.

This is a step in the right direction, I must say. Instead of sending a terrible show limping around until season's end, NBC has thankfully taken this show out back like an old farmer and taken care of it.



Source: www.nbc.com

Good show, NBC. Now stop making shows like this altogether, and maybe we'll talk.

The better news I have is about, ironically, another NBC show and a pretty funny one at that.

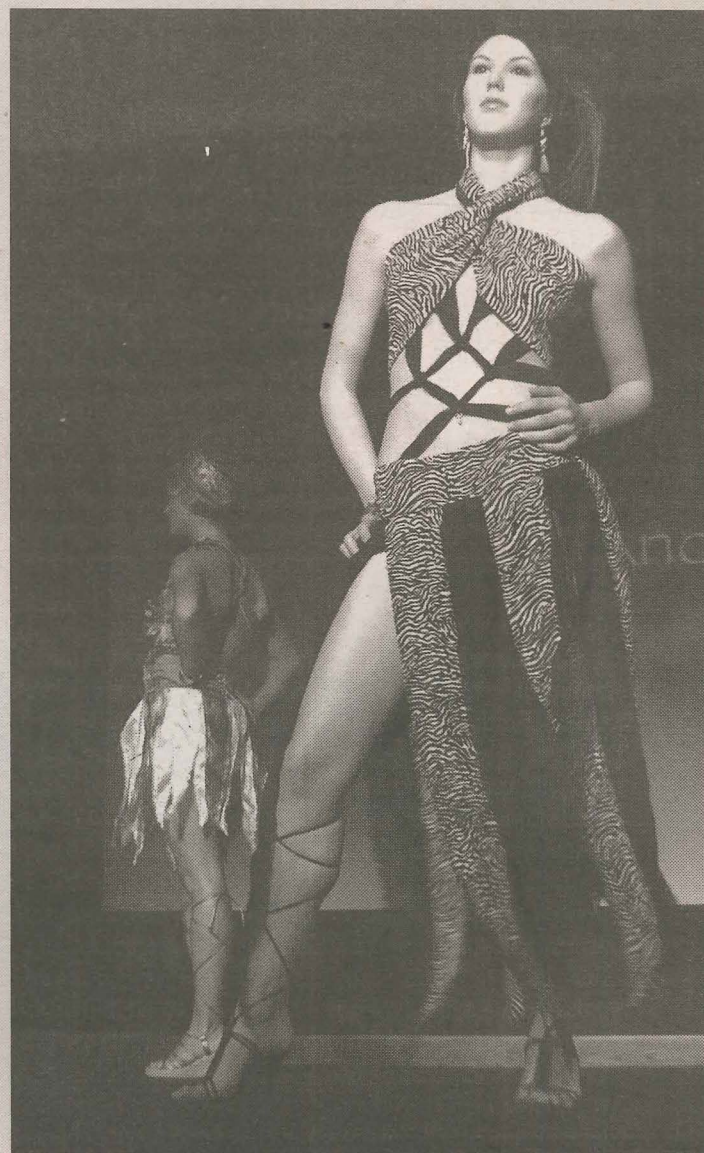
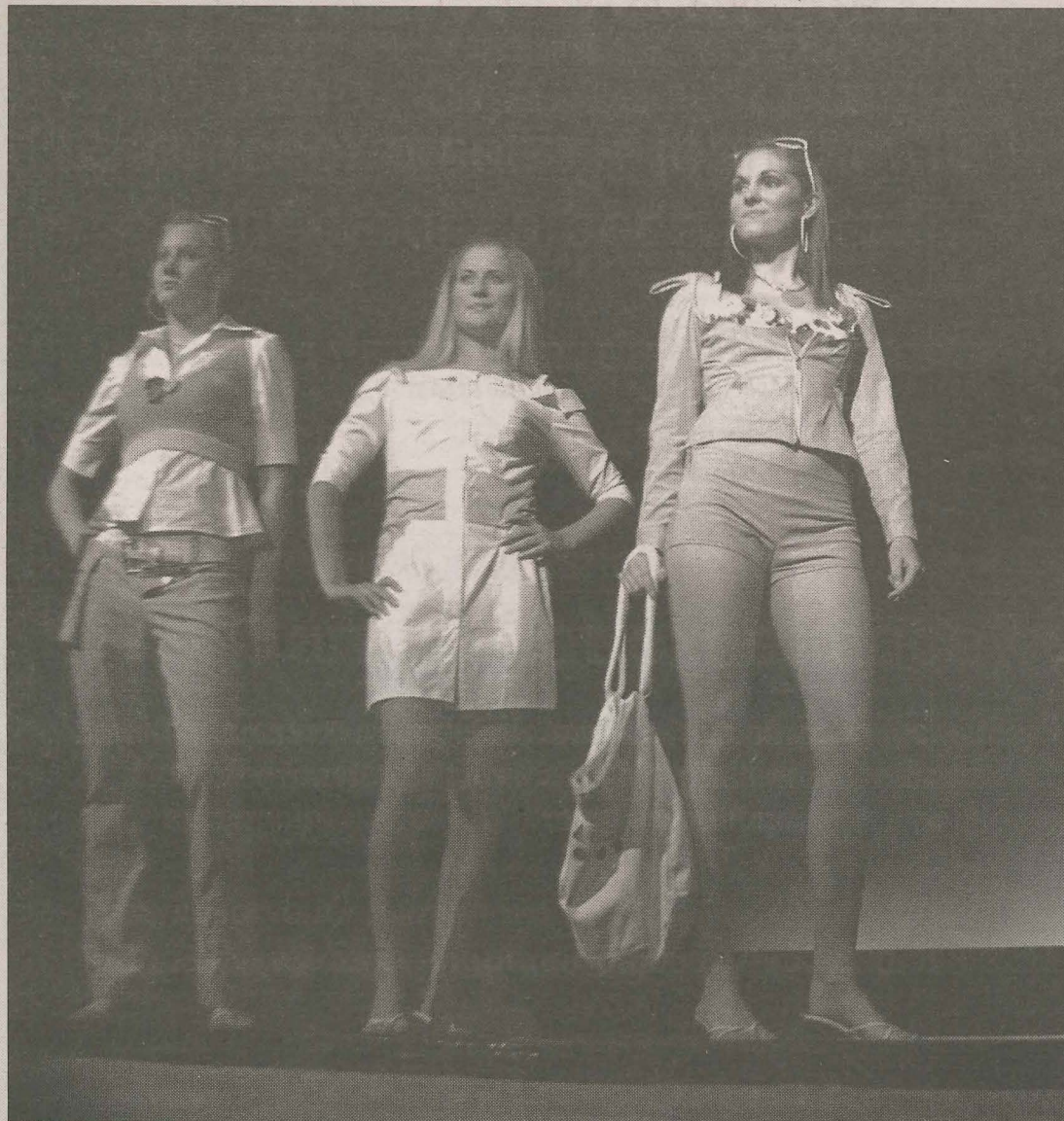
NBC's quirky comedy "The Office," loosely based on the British hit of the same name and starring Steve Carell, has a season

finale soon. That's all well and good, but that's not the news.

As a nice little bonus to Carell fans, the finale (which will actually be 40 minutes due to sweeps) will be written by comedy veteran Carell.

I was excited to hear this, being a Carell fan myself, so look forward to this episode in the coming weeks.

I do my little turn on the catwalk, yeah the catwalk...



Drew Retherford/Stoutonia

This year's Stout Apparel Society fashion show, "Silhouettes," marks the first time the organization collaborated with digital video classes to produce their show and the first time that they have held a third show marketed to the general public. The fashion show is an opportunity for students of all levels in the Apparel Design major—from freshmen to seniors—to showcase their designs.

The locals ain't friendly

By Ellen Schuetz
Entertainment Writer

"Silent Hill" is a series of video games designed to freak you out. Currently there are four games in the series by Konami. They all include scenery alternating from the real world to a nightmarish dimension.

There are times you are alone, there are times you are accompanied by other lost souls and there are times you are not as alone as you think.

The first game was released in 1999. In it you play as Harry Mason, a man saddened by the loss of his wife who is vacationing with his daughter, Cheryl, so that they can both try to come to terms with their loss.

During their night drive a figure appears in the road and as Harry swerves to avoid it, he crashes into a tree.

He awakens to find that his daughter is missing and that he seems to be living in a horrible nightmare.

He makes his way to the nearest town, Silent Hill, in hopes of finding his daughter.

"Silent Hill 2," released in 2001, follows the story of James Sutherland.

A tragic accident leaves him alone and his wife missing. After a while he receives a letter with her signature.

Even though deep down he knows she's dead, he can't help hoping that she might still be alive. James decides to return to

Silent Hill, the place where their romance first blossomed.

Instead of finding his wife he is faced with trying to escape from the town with his life.

The third "Silent Hill" game came out in 2003 and is the only game in the series to have a female protagonist.

Heather Morris thought she was just a typical teenage girl when a shopping trip to the mall mysteriously takes her to Silent Hill.

Here she finds out things about her past that she previously couldn't remember.

As she tries to escape, she runs down staircases and through cobwebs, sinking deeper and deeper into her nightmare.

"Silent Hill 4: The Room" is the most recent installment, released in 2004. Henry Townshend wakes up from a nightmare, relieved that it's over. That is, until he realizes that his apartment door is chained and bolted shut from the inside.

He can't get out and his apartment is becoming more frightening by the second.

His only escape seems to be through a portal that now appears in his bathroom. But what waits on the other side of this portal?

This series is definitely not for those easily scared.

For the thrill seekers it is a great series that's creepy even in daylight. "Silent Hill 4" is currently available at Best Buy for only \$10.

Working out the cortex



Ami Kriho

Entertainment Writer

"Brain Age" for the Nintendo DS is more of an interactive training program than it is a game. The idea behind "Brain Age" is to stimulate brain activity (particularly in the prefrontal cortex) by exposing it to random math, counting, memorization and reading exercises.

The concept behind "Brain Age" was inspired by the research of Dr. Ryuta Kawashima, a prominent Japanese neuroscientist and author of "Train Your Brain: 60 Days to a Better Brain."

Using functional magnetic resonance imaging, his studies have shown that doing simple calculations quickly and reading aloud both increase blood flow to the brain, indicating a "working" brain.

Keeping the brain "exercised" in this manner supposedly prevents a decrease in brain function as the person gets older.

Activities that stimulate the brain in this manner were then programmed in a prototype of "Brain Age." After testing several dozen of these training activities, only the nine that



Collage: Marta Peters

The concept behind the Nintendo DS non-game "Brain Age" is rooted in stimulating the prefrontal cortex of the brain.

proved most effective in stimulating the prefrontal cortex were put into the final version of the non-game.

"Brain Age" consists of four modes: quick play, daily training, sudoku and download. Quick play is a sample of the game that is intended for owners to share with friends and family.

Daily training contains the actual "meat" of the activities, including options to both check your brain age and everyday training exercises.

The sudoku mode, a popular number puzzle game, contains 100 unique spreadsheets. In addition, they can be saved

and completed at a later time. Lastly, there's download, where up to 15 other DS owners can compete in a calculation battle game or download the quick play mode.

The exercises in "Brain Age" include various implementations of simple calculations, reading passages from classic literature, counting, the Stroop test and word memorization. "Brain Age" records personal data (up to four people) for each of the activities.

The amount of time it takes and the number of mistakes made determine your "DS brain age," based on a distribution curve gathered from more of Kawashima's research.

Not all of the exercises are available immediately. They are unlocked after a certain number of daily training activities are completed.

The exercises are quick and take only a few minutes to complete, and the daily training consists of three of the exercises chosen at random.

While the DS is usually accurate in determining the answers written on the touch screen, it does tend to confuse the numbers 4 with 9 and 3 with 8 frequently. During the Stroop test, the microphone tends to have trouble picking up the word "blue."

"Brain Age" is fun and rewarding in its own manner and a nice way to spend a few spare moments in a day.

Like "Nintendogs," it offers interactivity that is to be played for a few minutes daily for a long period of time, rather than a normal game that is played for a few hours every day for a few days, so think about this before buying it.

For \$20 it's a good buy and worth the money for DS owners, but not necessarily worth getting a DS for.



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Dull dialogue, confusing plot mar "Silent Hill"



Source: www.rottentomatoes.com

Rose (Radha Mitchell) is discovering that Silent Hill may not be the best place to lose a mentally unstable daughter. Sure, it's a small town, but the locals get to be just a little too touchy-feely.



Jarrod Burns and William Butchee

Entertainment Writers

When a girl named Sharon chronically sleepwalks and mentions a place called Silent Hill, her mother, Rose, is compelled

to take her to the condemned former mining city that apparently sits on top of perpetual underground fires. While there, Rose and Sharon are separated.

While looking for her daughter, Rose runs into a nosy cop, survivors of the fires, a girl that looks just like Sharon and a few other things that make Silent Hill a very scary place to lose your mentally unstable daughter.

JB: I was lucky enough to have either played or watched

someone play through all four of the "Silent Hill" games before watching this film.

The games are definitely scary and their indecipherable plots only enhanced the creepy atmosphere and kept you thinking long after the Play Station was shut off.

WB: Having not played the games, "Silent Hill" starts like a normal horror movie, but with its whiteout, ashy setting alone it manages to set itself apart. Loud static and malfunctioning cell phones are the signals of the hellish transformation that occurs every so often within the town. Then walls start peeling, objects start disintegrating and blood and darkness take over to truly set up the creepy mood of "Silent Hill."

JB: The setting was well designed, but not used as well as it could have been. More time spent in the dark would have made for scarier scenes. Speaking of scenes, I also thought that there were too few. More scenes showing more of the buildings and rooms in Silent Hill would have helped make the town seem bigger and the search for the lost daughter more grand.

WB: The search for the missing girl would have been completely boring without the inhabitants that come out when the alarms sound. Armless human-like beings, cockroaches

crossed with scorpions and a giant carrying a sword so big it must be dragged—these don't sound scary when described, but they do an excellent job of placing you in the world of "Silent Hill." Due to the lack of scenes and the small amount of screen time these characters get, I found myself wanting more terrible things to happen just to get more glimpses of them.

JB: The few evil characters that were used were the best characters in the film. I won't fully blame the actors for their parts, because the truth is, they didn't have much to work with. Bad dialogue was just one failing of the overall watered down script. The plot was confusing and many will complain about the ending making no sense.

WB: Coming from Christophe Gans, the director of "Brotherhood of the Wolf," strong expectations for an intriguing storyline and clever cinematography should have been second nature.

These devices, however, are used sparingly and reduce the movie to just another horror flick that provides a mystery that could have been summed up in ten minutes. With the simplicity dominating the dialogue and story departments, more time should have been spent on the real stars of the movie, the monsters from hell.



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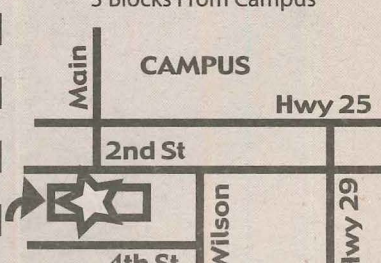
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See unique Research Day projects

By Renee Currington
Campus Editor

If you thought Research Day was a day devoted to writing papers and spending hours in the library, you might be surprised.

Research Day is an annual conference devoted to students, staff and faculty's unique, creative and challenging project work in a variety of disciplines. This year there are 70 presenters.

The event will be held in Ballrooms B and C of the Memorial Student Center on Thursday, May 4 from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. The event is open to the entire Menomonie community.

"We are inviting everyone to see the research that is being done here on campus," said Liubov Samsonova, a graduate student in the training and development program who is in charge of organizing Research Day.

What kinds of things can one expect to see on Research Day?

Presenters will be showing a variety of work from films and fashion to some extraordinary research presentations on pottery firing in a microwave oven

and chemicals that alter zebra fish pigment.

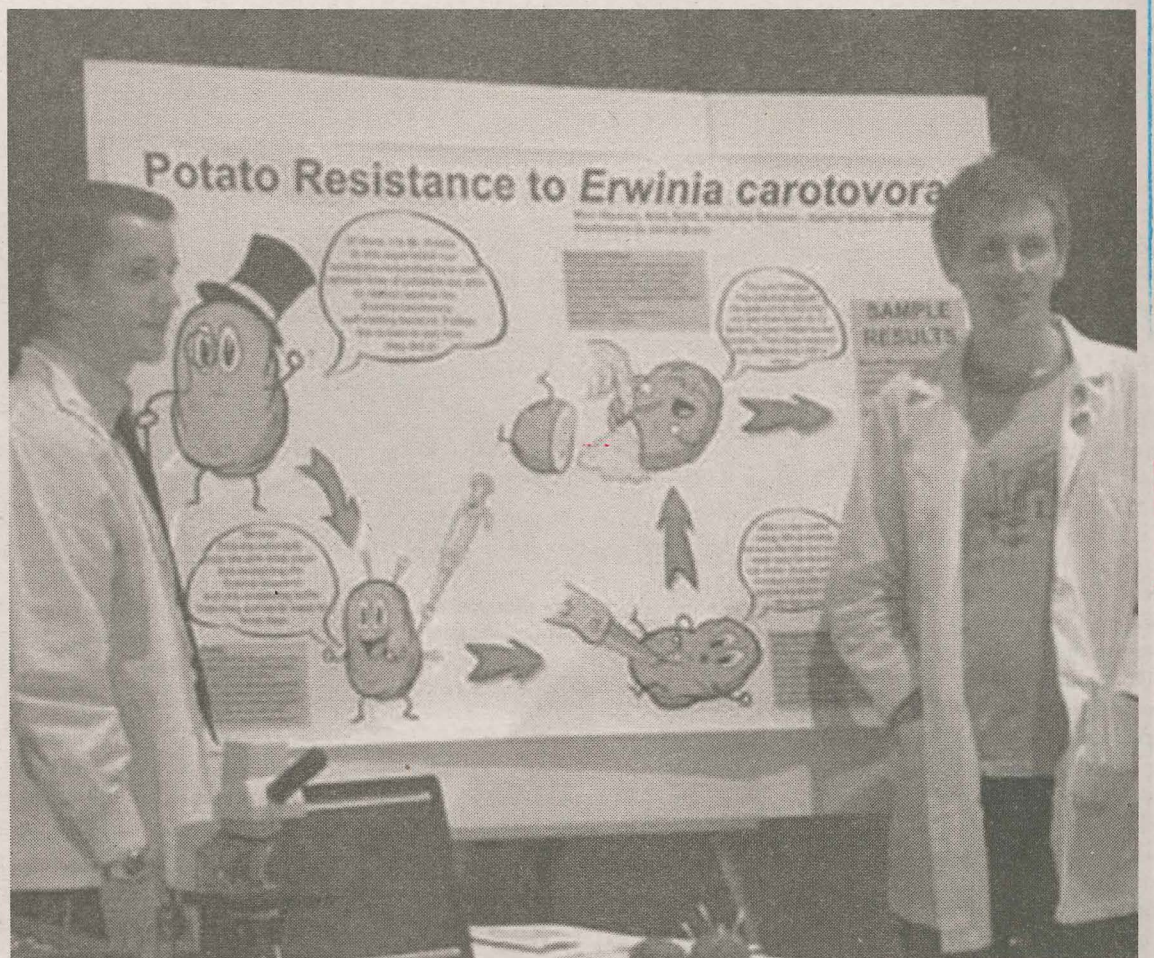
"We have a lot of students from human development studies," said Samsonova. "Some students from applied science have monitored water quality and helped with establishing a certified laboratory."

One student will be showing a digital robot character he made for a short film. An apparel design research project focuses on fashion for eighth grade girls; research will be presented on fabrics and patterns tailored toward girls of that age.

Out of the 70 presentations, 10 will be oral and the rest will be presented on posters or on computers. All student presenters will have a chance to win one of three cash prizes up to \$125.

Even attendees will have a chance to win cash prizes of \$25 in return for offering their feedback on the best research presentations.

There is something for everyone at the Research Day conference, whether you're looking to learn, to be entertained or to win prizes.



Source: <http://www.uwstout.edu/grad/>

Research Day is a conference held every spring in which faculty, undergraduate and graduate students present their research projects. The photo above is of a project presented for Research Day 2005.

Relay For Life raises funds to fight cancer

By Jennifer Gauthier
Campus Writer

Last weekend, college students and community members stayed up all night to fight cancer.

Colleges Against Cancer's annual Relay for Life took place from 7 p.m. to 7 a.m., April 21-22. At least 150 people participated in 45 teams—each with eight to 13 members—as well as some walk-ins participating for fun.

They competed in committee-planned activities throughout the night to raise money for the American Cancer Society. Community members were also invited, and participants were

encouraged to bring friends or family members that are cancer survivors.

Some of the activities planned for the night were Jeopardy, musical chairs, "dude looks like a lady," a frozen T-shirt contest and karaoke. There was also the luminaria ceremony and the opening ceremony, meant to remind everyone who the event is really for—survivors and those touched by cancer.

"I believe the event benefits many," said Justen Willemon, a senior in multimedia design and president of CAC and co-chair of Relay for Life. "The money raised goes to the American Can-

cer Society and is then dispersed to different programs to help cancer patients through their battle and helps to provide funding for research to find a cure."

Willemon says the event has helped a lot of people.

"[Relay for Life] helps the survivors that come to our event," said Willemon. "It helps the survivors in our area know that there are students on our campus that support them and what they are either going through, or may have already beaten."

"Finally, it helps the students," said Willemon. "I think that this event really helps the students realize that cancer is a

problem that can affect anyone at any age."

Krystle Bernard is the vice president of CAC, the chair of Relay for Life and a senior at the University of Wisconsin-Stout double majoring in early childhood education and psychology.

Like many of the students involved in CAC and Relay for Life, she has many personal reasons to be involved in the work she does.

"I initially became involved because of my parents; my father is a skin cancer survivor and my mother is a breast cancer survivor," said Bernard. "My cousin is also a survivor of a rare blood cancer. I've made lots of friends

who have been affected by or have survived cancer."

The goal of the relay, and other events and fundraisers put on by CAC, is to raise awareness and educate people about the realities of the disease.

Many people are affected by the disease, and Bernard feels it's important to make sure people are still hopeful. The ultimate goal is "keeping the drive to eliminate cancer and finding a cure."

This year, Relay for Life raised \$50,000, a new school record for the event.



Marta Peters/Stoutonia

A group of more than 150 students and community members participated in Relay for Life last Friday in the Johnson Fieldhouse. The event was put on by Colleges Against Cancer.

Cool off with a salad

By Amanda Schroeder
Campus Writer

As the weather gets warmer, cool, crisp and refreshing salads are on peoples' minds. Crunchy vegetables, crispy lettuce, tender noodles and sweet fruit; there are many types of salads to choose from.

Salads can be a very healthy part of the diet, but beware of healthful looking salads that may pack on the calories. For example, fast food salads may seem healthy but can contain up to 400 calories, which is more than what a cheeseburger contains.

"[Salads are] a trendy, healthy alternative in today's hectic lifestyle," said Jenny Mottl, a senior in food systems and technology.

To make healthy salad choices, try using lots of vegetables, fruits and whole grains. These provide many necessary vitamins, minerals and fiber. Nuts will also add protein to your salad.

Also try using low-fat salad dressings, or substitute fresh-squeezed lemon juice and olive oil for dressing. Adding salads to the diet can be a very healthy decision. Try some of these salads that don't use greens but instead utilize vegetables, fruits, beans and rice.

This sweet and sour tomato salad is a great summer side dish to serve with burgers or practically anything else. Cucumbers, other vegetables and cheese could be added to this salad to make a dinner. Serve with crusty

bread. This recipe is from www.allrecipes.com.

Sweet 'n' Sour Tomato Salad

Yield: 6 servings

7 tomatoes
1 yellow onion
1/2 cup white sugar
1/2 cup distilled white vinegar
1/2 cup vegetable or olive oil
Salt and pepper to taste

1. Thinly slice the tomatoes. Cut the onion in half through the root end and thinly slice into half circles.

2. Toss together the tomatoes and onion in a large bowl. Mix together the sugar, vinegar, oil, salt and pepper and pour over tomato mixture. Adjust the sugar and vinegar to taste.

3. Serve at room temperature.

This delicious salad is great for either a meal or a side dish. It is very nutritious with good starches, fiber, vitamins and minerals.

It is also very inexpensive and easy to make. This recipe is from The Better Homes and Gardens New Cook Book.



Lentil-Rice Salad

Yield: 4 main-dish servings

1/2 cup dry lentils
2 cups water
1/2 cup long grain rice
1/2 cup chopped red or green pepper
1/3 cup diced carrot
1/4 cup thinly sliced green onion
3 tablespoons olive oil
1/2 teaspoon finely shredded lemon peel
3 tablespoons lemon juice
1 1/2 teaspoons fresh basil or 1/2 teaspoon dried basil, crushed
1/4 teaspoon salt
1 tomato, cut into 8 wedges
4 ounces cheddar cheese, sliced

1. Rinse and drain lentils. Transfer to a medium saucepan; add water. Bring to boiling; reduce heat. Simmer covered for 5 minutes. Add uncooked rice, cover and simmer 15 minutes more. Remove from heat. Let stand, covered, for 10 minutes; drain.

Rinse with cold water; drain again.

2. In a large mixing bowl combine lentil mixture, red or green pepper, carrot and green onion. Set aside.

3. For dressing, in a screw-top jar combine oil, lemon peel, lemon juice, basil and salt. Cover and shake well. Pour over lentil mixture; toss to coat. Cover and chill for 2 to 24 hours.

4. To serve, if desired, line 4 salad plates with lettuce leaves. Spoon lentil mixture onto lettuce; arrange tomato wedges and

Earth Day rhythms



Marta Peters/Stoutonia

The University of Wisconsin-Stout Drum Club played in the South Lawn by the Applied Arts Building at 6 p.m. on Earth Day, April 21. Other Earth Day events were cancelled due to rain.

cheese slices on each plate.

This recipe, courtesy of Andrea Kolbeck—a senior in food systems and technology—is one of her favorite salads.

"I could live on this salad for three days!" said Kolbeck. This salad is loaded with protein and vitamin C. To make it healthier, use low-fat mayonnaise and turkey bacon.

Broccoli and Bacon Salad

1 head fresh broccoli, cut into bite size pieces
1/2 cup raisins
1/4 cup red onion, chopped

2 tablespoons white sugar
3 tablespoons white wine vinegar
1 cup mayonnaise
1 cup sunflower seeds
10 slices bacon

1. Cook bacon over medium-high heat until evenly browned. Crumble and set aside.

2. In a salad bowl, toss together broccoli, raisins and red onion. Combine sugar, vinegar and mayonnaise in a separate bowl. Pour over broccoli mixture and refrigerate at least two hours.

3. Top with sunflower seeds and bacon. Toss and Serve.

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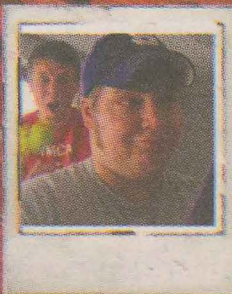
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English professor loves writing and judo

By Heidi Sleep
Campus Writer

I bet you didn't know that there is a new professor at the University of Wisconsin-Stout who lived in Japan for nearly 11 years and competed internationally in judo tournaments. So who is this new professor? Students, I present to you Dr. Don Cunningham, assistant professor for the department of English and philosophy at UW-Stout.

It is Cunningham's first year here at UW-Stout. Cunningham

earned a doctorate degree in technical communication from the Illinois Institute of Technology, holds a Master of Science degree in journalism from Texas A&M University. He also has a bachelor's degree in journalism.

While Cunningham's professional career is worth noting, it is his interest in judo that is perhaps the most fascinating.

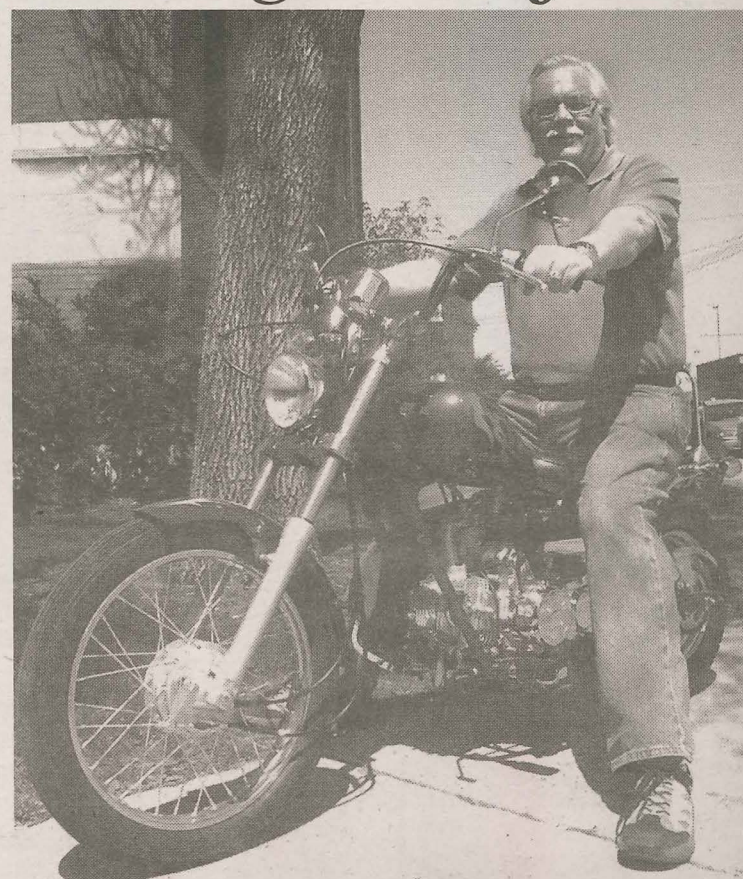
Cunningham earned first and second degree licenses from the Kodokan Judo Institute in Tokyo, which is the headquarters for the international Olympic

sport. He occasionally helped coach judo at Keio University in Japan and was an international Judo competitor for years.

"[Competing] gave me a chance to visit a lot of places and make friends around the world," said Cunningham.

Judo is very similar to wrestling and is an Olympic sport. As a wrestler in junior high, he felt that the judo classes could help with his wrestling skills, and he eventually ended up taking judo lessons from his art teacher.

Unfortunately, the classes



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Don Cunningham, professor of English, lived in Japan for nearly 11 years and authored two books on Japanese feudal history.

were cancelled after a few months, and the only other location that offered judo lessons was far from his home. Yet, years later, Cunningham was drawn back to the sport.

"I was a Hospital Corpsman with the U.S. Marines; they sponsored judo tournaments," said Cunningham. I decided to get back into the sport and competed while serving in the military.

Years later, his telecommunications career took him to Japan, where he lived on and off for a total of 11 years. While working and living in a small community in Chiba Prefecture, north of Tokyo, he was once again drawn back into the sport.

"I was doing weight-lifting at the company's gym when I saw a group of employees practicing judo in another room," said Cunningham. "I decided to get back into the sport."

Cunningham won a gold medal in 1995 at the Chicago Judo Open but was injured in the final match. It stopped him from actively competing, but it did not stop his love of the sport. He eventually started a judo club in Aurora, Illinois, which had approximately 100 members.

"I haven't started a judo club since moving here to Menomonie, although I would like to if I can find anyone else interested in training," said Cunningham. "I am still interested in practicing and coaching judo."

Cunningham also has an interest in kendo and has trained and competed in this sport as well.

"Kendo is a form of fencing with bamboo swords while wearing protective gear," said Cunningham. "Much like Western-style fencing, players score by striking target areas on their opponent."

Cunningham also has a rather interesting professional background and has experience in a variety of areas. He has worked as a reporter, photographer and news editor for many newspa-

pers in Texas and Florida.

The majority of Cunningham's career was spent working in the telecommunications industry, where he also held an array of positions including technical writer and editor, documentation manager and applications engineer.

"My primary experience is in knowledge management," said Cunningham.

Cunningham is also a professional journalist and has published two books on Japanese feudal history—he also did all of the design, layout and photography for both books. Cunningham is involved in many professional organizations, and it was his involvement in the Society for Technical Communication that introduced him to UW-Stout and the Menomonie community.

"I think this [technical communication] program has a lot of potential," said Cunningham.

His commuting time for his previous job was nearly two hours, and now it only takes him 20 minutes to walk to campus.

So how did someone so involved with the telecommunications industry and judo end up moving to Menomonie and becoming a teacher?

"I really didn't want to go back into the corporate world," said Cunningham. "I enjoy teaching ... that's why I came here."

So far, Cunningham is content with his move to the Menomonie area and his new position at UW-Stout.

"I am very happy to be here at Stout," said Cunningham. "I've been very impressed with the support here on campus... people have really gone out of their way to help."

Currently, Cunningham is teaching Freshman Composition and Technical Writing, and he looks forward to teaching courses in usability and content writing next fall.

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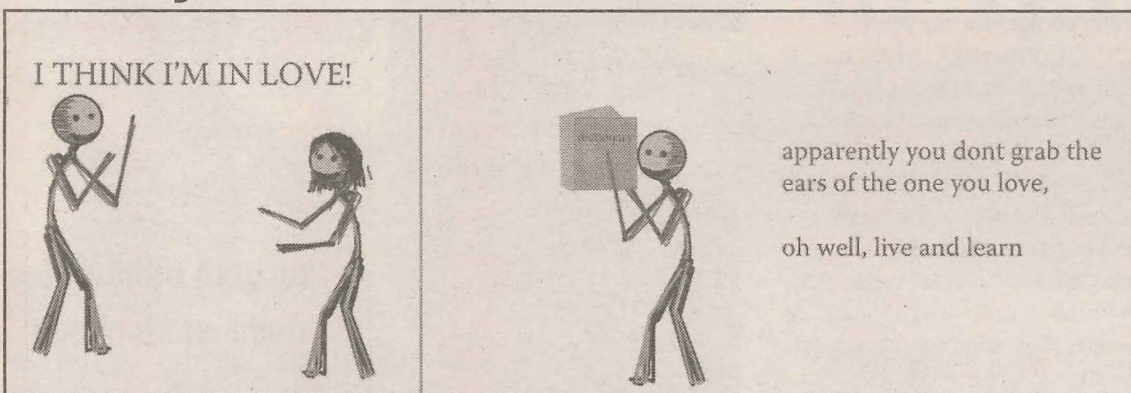
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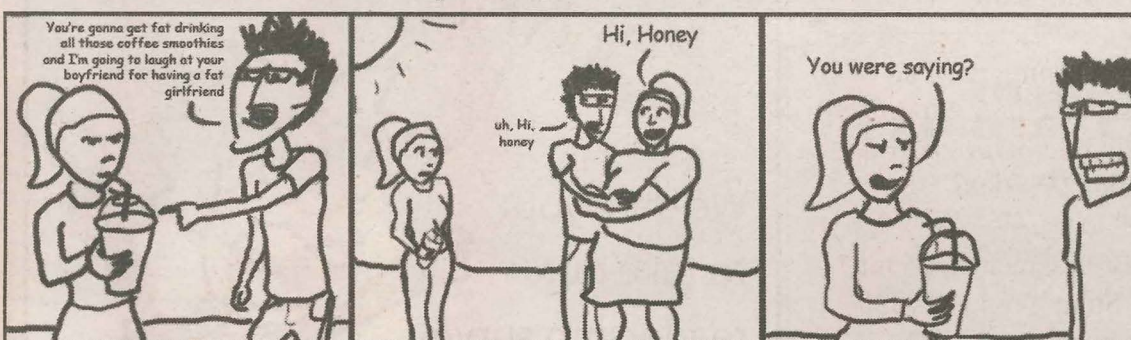
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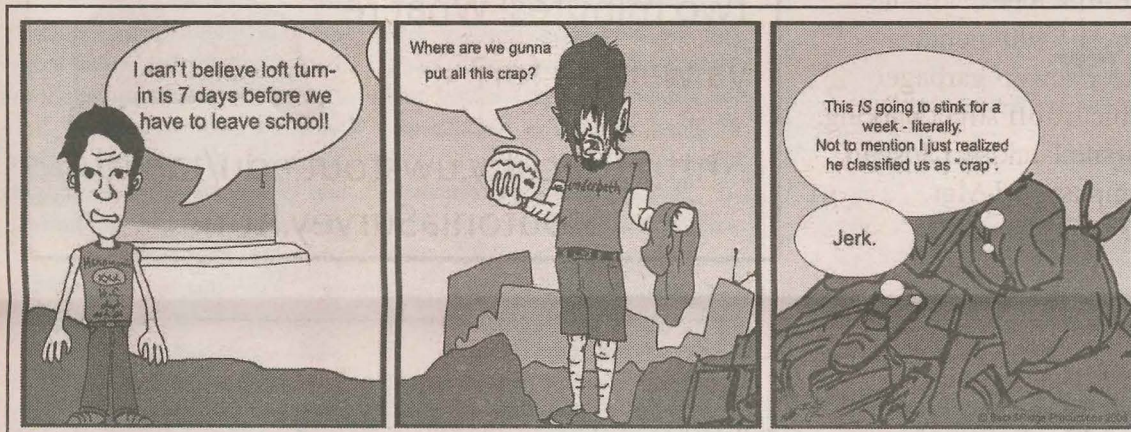
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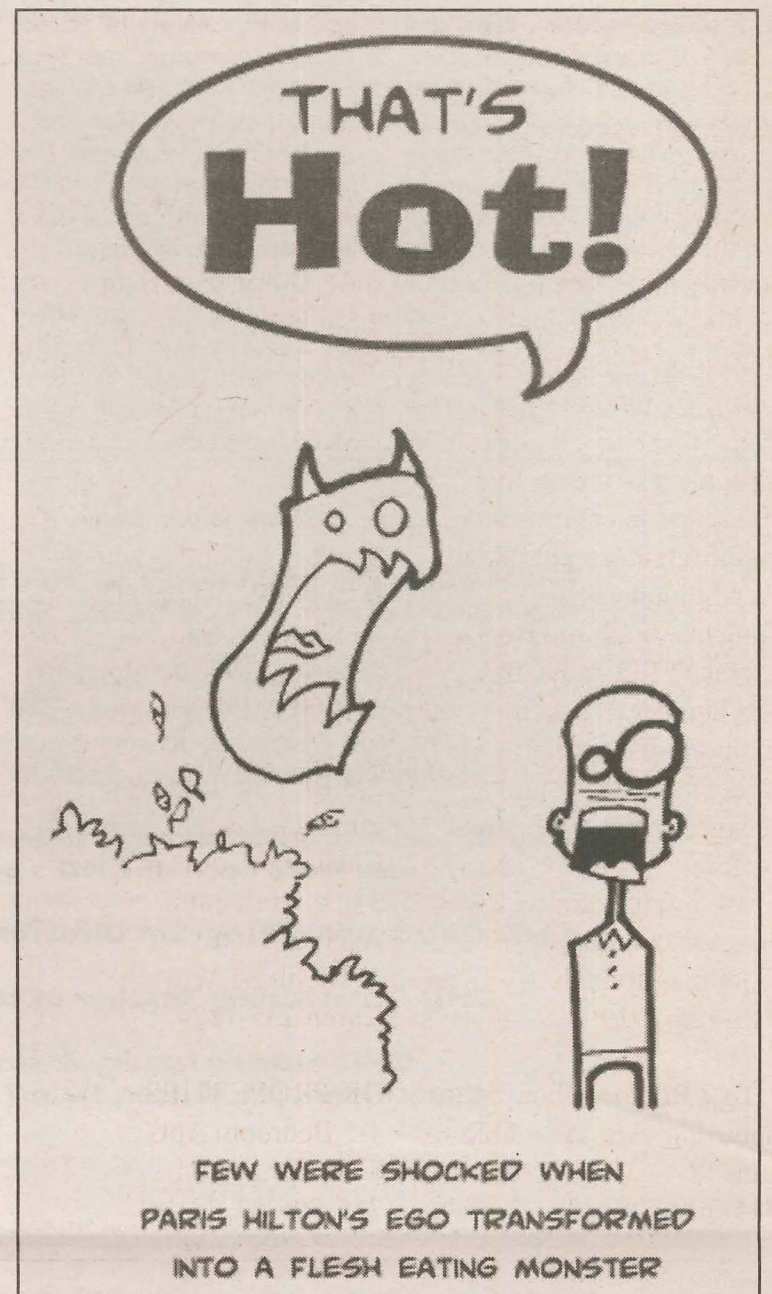
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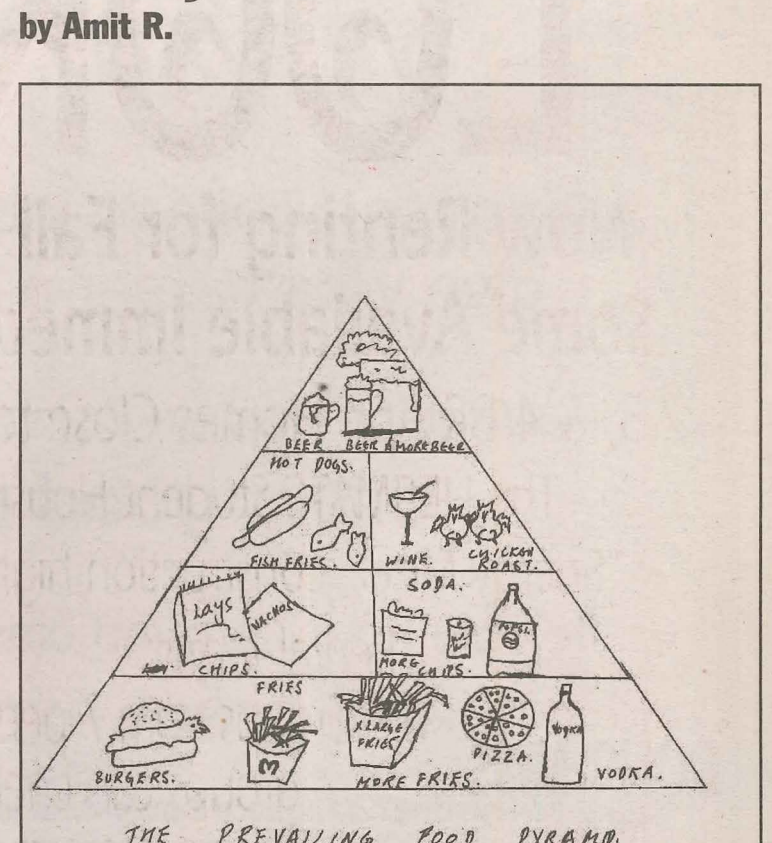
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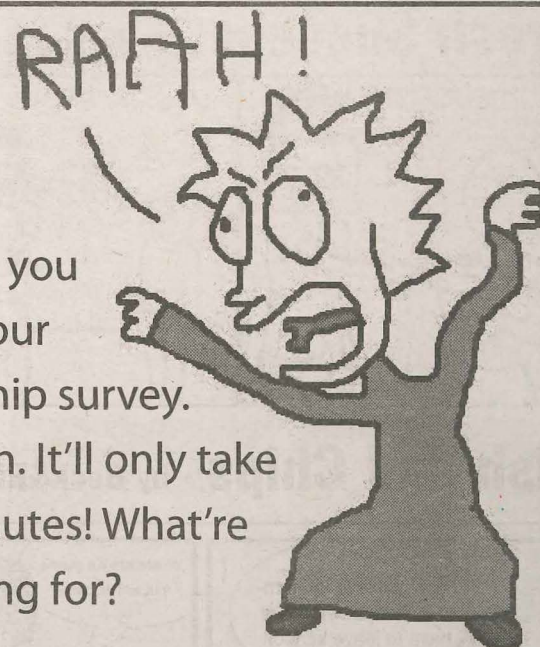
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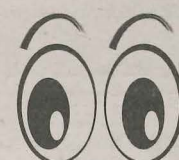
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Row, row, row your boat

By Casey Nold
Sports Writer

The University of Wisconsin-Stout's rowing club has patiently waited for the newest addition to their team, a 40-foot shell boat. Hard work and consistent efforts made this goal a reality, causing much excitement for the members.

The UW-Stout rowing club was started in the spring semester of 2004. Since then, the team has been fundraising until they finally raised enough money to buy the boat and oars.

The types of fundraisers the team did were car washes, bake sales and fettuccini dinners.

The team also participated in Relay for Life and helped the community by raking lawns. When put together, all of their hard work finally brought them the last pieces of

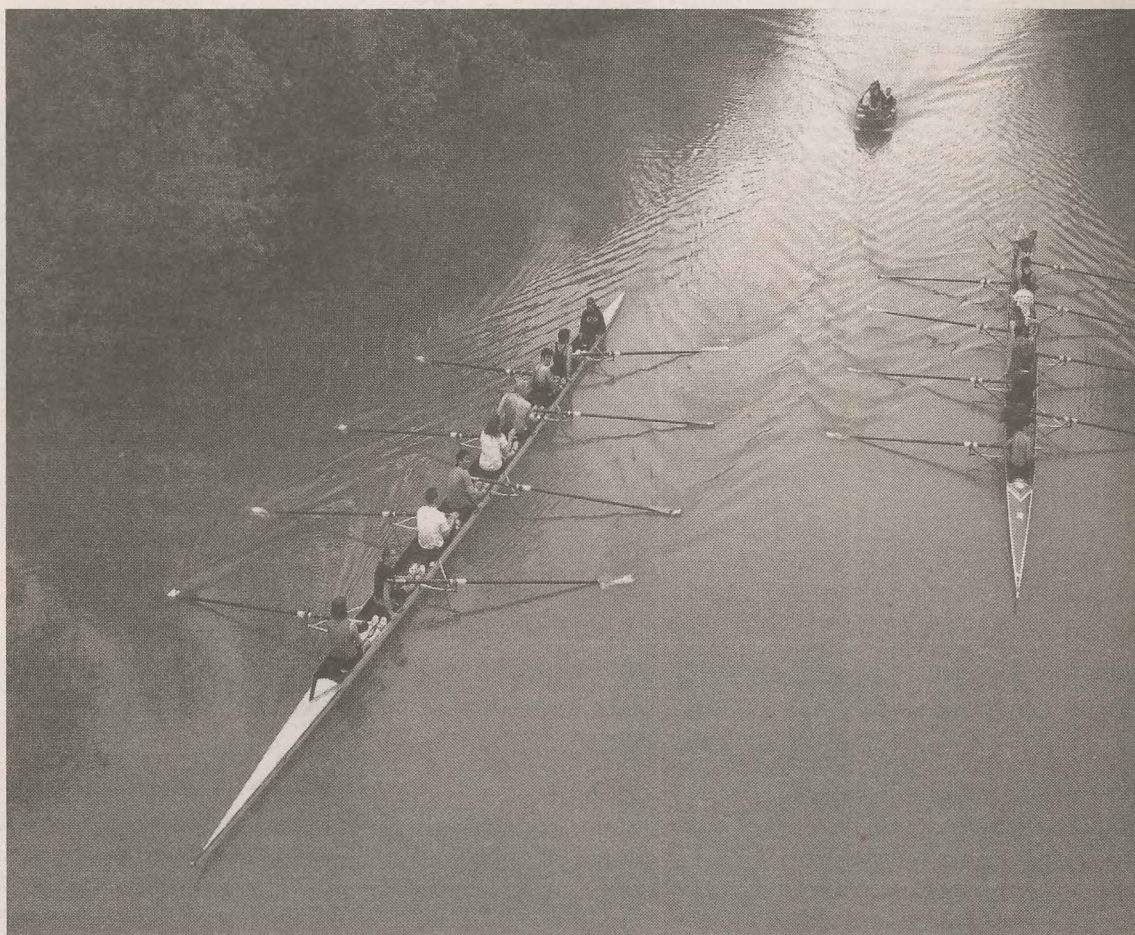
the puzzle needed to start their rowing club.

"The fact that the rowing club actually has a boat after two hard years of just fundraising and getting approved to be a real club here is wonderful. It proves that hard work and determination will pay off," said Stephanie Renning, vice president of the rowing club.

Although the team had to wait two-and-a-half years to earn their boat, they will have to wait even longer to put it to use.

"It is hard to find a good place to put the boat next to the water," said team coach Elizabeth Stefan.

The team is expressing much anticipation to row on Lake Menominee, but for the safety of the team and the new boat, they will have to wait just a little longer.



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UW-Stout will now be one of the many schools to offer rowing. While it may only be a club sport, rowing is a very popular event among colleges across the country.

"It is a great joy because it is something that I have been looking forward to for some time and now we can actually go out on the water with our own boat," said Renning.

This last weekend, the team was supposed to go to Madison where the Mendota rowing club was going to put on a special rowing clinic just for the UW-Stout team, but they were unable

to go due to weather conditions.

Coach Stefan is hoping that they will travel before the year is over and put on another clinic for anyone who would like to try to row.

Although this new boat has put smiles on all of the faces of the people who helped earn it, there is a new goal that the rowing team would like to achieve.

Since the rowing club is

still very new to UW-Stout, not many people have heard about it or had a chance to become interested in it. The coach and many of the students are hoping that their new recognition will bring new faces to the team and help it grow.

"It really helps out the club as a whole. Perhaps we will get some more members and they will stick with it. Getting a boat is just what this club needs, it is motivation," said Renning.

Erik Hokeness expressed his thoughts on the issue of expanding the team as well.

"I see many more people joining. It is still very new to Stout and not everybody knows about it," said Hokeness.

The team and coach Stefan are looking forward to new faces and are excited to start their new club this coming fall semester.

"This next fall we hope to have a large increase in participation thanks to the new boat that we have," said coach Stefan.

The team meets every other Wednesday in Red Cedar Hall at 6:30 p.m. where they discuss future plans.

Anyone interested in joining the rowing club or learning more about it is welcome to contact Elizabeth Stefan at stefane@uwstout.edu. There will be an information table at the Founder's Day Celebration, and members from the team will be at Stoutnic.

"We really do want as many members as possible; we just want to make it known that although we are a small organization, we do want to grow," said coach Stefan.

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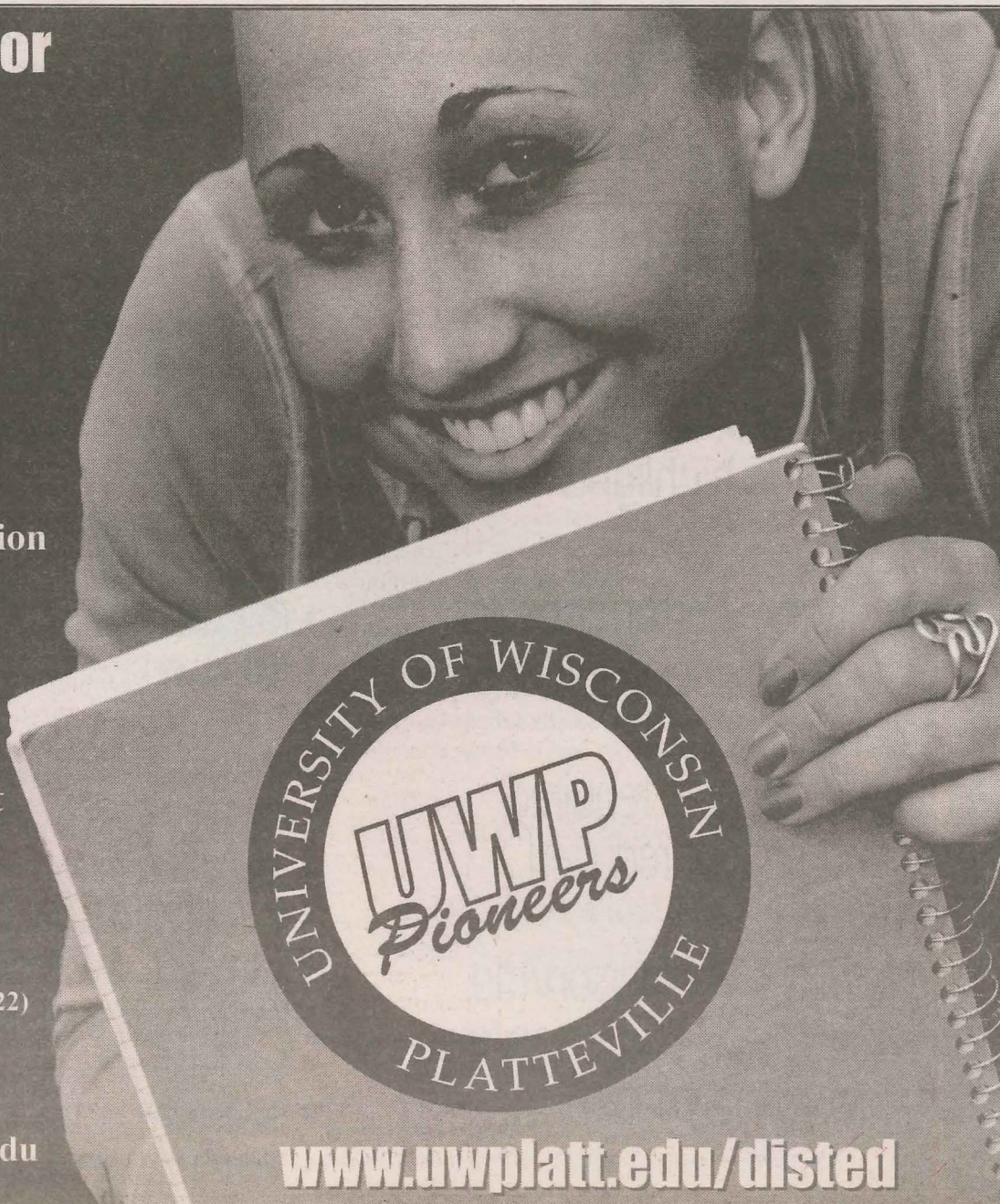
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Track / season

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chase.

There are a number of athletes to watch out for as the season comes closer to the WIAC Championships such as Carrie Pederson, a sophomore; and Edwards, a junior; both excelling at the high jump. Jasmine Patzner, a sophomore, is doing very well in both hurdles races and Kelly Schachtner, a freshman, is doing excellent in her throws.

"Some of the best performances are going to be taking place in May," said Harlan.

With the season almost over, the ladies only have one

more invite before the WIAC Championships are held.

"As a team, we are doing well and are having a good season," said Camelle Meyer one of the team's captains.

There are several members of the team who are currently ranked in the top 24 athletes in each event. These members will compete at the WIAC Championship meet on May 4 and 5 in Oshkosh, Wisc.

UW-Stout men's track and field team also just got back from the Phil Esten Challenge in La Crosse, Wisc.

While UW-Stout was down in La Crosse, the Blue Devils finished fourth out of five teams. Ryan Kowski, a junior, finished first in the discus throw. Ryan Ament, a freshman, finished right behind Kowski in second.

Kowski's throw nailed the NCAA provisional qualifier with a distance of 165 feet 6 inches, his throw was only eight feet shy of UW-Stout's record. Matt Delaney, a senior, took second in the javelin throw of 157 feet and 4 inches.

"We are a young team and with the right training/ recruiting we are going to do very well in the years to come," said team captain Mark Kempen, a senior.

During the season, Ryan

Carpenter, UW-Stout's top triple jumper, had a major injury. Carpenter placed second in the indoor conference this past season.

Some athletes that have been doing exceedingly well are Derek Gonzenbach in the 400 meter hurdles Delaney in the decathlon and javelin.

Also doing well are Ryan Ament, Andrew Berlin and Kowski, all competing in the

discus throw, Kendall Wade in the 110 hurdles and high jump, and the 4x100 relay team (Wendell Eskridge, Wade, Cortavious Anderson and Corey Anderson).

This weekend, part of the team will be traveling to Drake University in Des Moines Iowa and some will be traveling to the Simpson Twilight meet in Indianola, Iowa

STOUTONIA'S Athlete OF THE Week



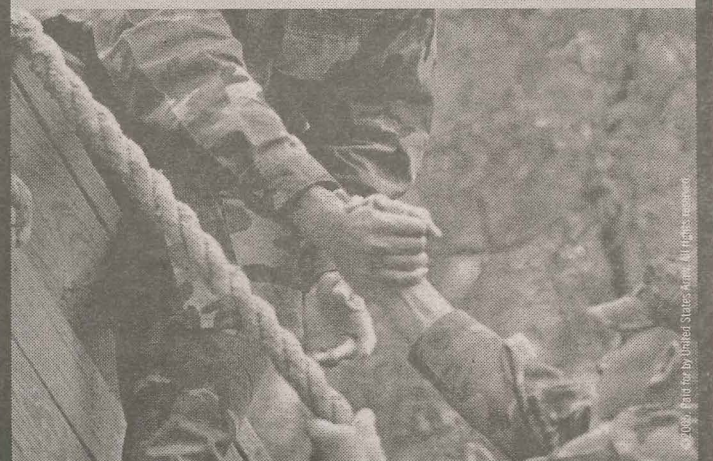
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5 2	1521 8th Street	\$900	\$180	\$1,145	\$229	Washer/dryer great location	H
5 2	2303 3rd Street	\$1,025	\$205	\$1,305	\$261	Detached garage, large, washer/dryer	H
5 2	1803 7th Street	\$1,000	\$200	\$1,280	\$256	Washer/dryer, parking, good location, large	D
5 2	1708 6th Street #B	\$1,200	\$240	\$1,477	\$289	NEW, Washer/dryer, parking, large bedrooms	D
6 2	221 12th Avenue West	\$900	\$180	n/a	n/a	Big house, nice location	H
6 2	415 13th Avenue West	\$1,050	\$175	\$1,330	\$222	Modern house very lrg. rooms, good location	H
6 2	1603 7th Street	\$1,170	\$195	\$1,450	\$242	Washer/dryer new carpet, very nice	H
6 2	115 1/2 17th Avenue West	\$1,200	\$200	\$1,445	\$241	Newer unit, great location, washer/dryer	D
6 2	115 17th Avenue West	\$1,100	\$183	\$1,360	\$226	Location, washer/dryer Parking	D
7 2	220 12th Avenue West	\$1,190	\$170	\$1,415	\$202	Great location, washer/dryer	H
7 2	1415 9th Street	\$1,260	\$180	n/a	n/a	Near campus, shopping, garage and wash/dry	H
7 2	207 12th Avenue West	\$1,260	\$180	n/a	n/a	Walking distance to campus, garage, porch	H
7 2	1321 2nd Street West	\$1,225	\$175	\$1,525	\$217	Large house, 1 block from campus	H
12 4	115 17th Ave West	\$2,200	\$200	\$2,710	\$246	wash/dry, parking, large bedrooms, good loc.	D

Prospective renters should be aware that any property manager, rental agent or employees thereof are representing the Landlords interests and owe duties of loyalty and faithfulness to the Landlord. They also are, however, obligated to treat all parties fairly and in accordance with Fair Housing laws and standards

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Blue Devil
ScoreboardBaseball
(10-18)

The baseball team defeated
Augsburg College 18-12.

Next Game:
April 29 hosting
UW-Platteville

Men's
Track & Field

The men's track team placed
fourth at the
Phil Esten Challenge
hosted by UW-La Crosse.

Women's
Track & Field

The women's track and field
team placed third at the Phil
Esten Challenge hosted by
UW-La Crosse.

Softball
(5-15)

The softball team split a double-
header with UW-Platteville
losing 6-1 then winning 2-1 on
April 23.

Next Game:
April 27 at
St. Scholastica



Brickyard Disc Golf

By Josh Sondelski
Sports Writer

After nearly a year of work,
the University of Wisconsin-
Stout Disc Golf Club will be
celebrating Cinco de Mayo with
the grand opening of their disc
golf course, Brickyard.

Along with several other
pros, professional disc golfer
Patrick Blake will be on hand to
take part in the festivities, and
will teach three 45 minute disc
golf clinics throughout the day.

As part of the activities, the
Disc Golf Club will be holding
an open tournament, starting at
10 a.m., to anyone who shows
up to play and the tournament
will continue with a possible
night round.

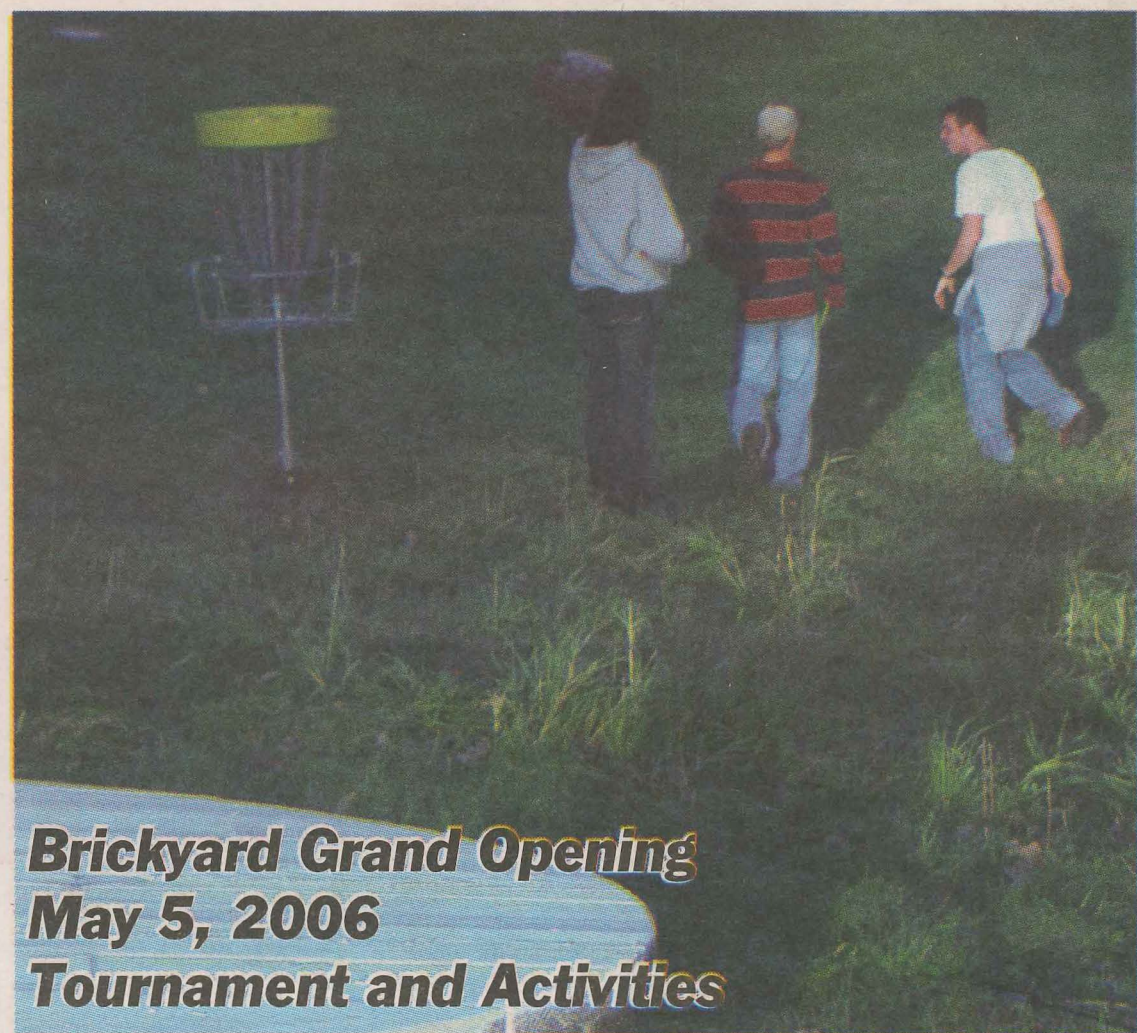
Entry is \$5 per person, and
will run on the flexstart format
in which groups of five players
play the course at their person-
ally chosen start time.

Each registered player
will receive a raffle ticket from
which they can win a variety
of prizes, including golf discs,
a portable disc golf basket
and an array of gifts donated
by local businesses.

There will also be live mu-
sic during the opening from sev-
eral of the bands from the Cam-
pout Roots Festival, which runs
June 9, 10 and 11. UW-Stout
Disc Golf Club President Jason
Hendrickson described the col-
laboration between the club and
the Campout Roots Festival,
mentioning that "the [disc golf]
club will be setting up a tempo-
rary course at the Roots Festival
for everyone that shows up for
the music."

The festival takes place
in Black River Falls. Tickets
are \$25 in advance and \$35 at
the door.

The UW-Stout Disc Golf
Club, along with the Dunn
County Humane Society, will
also be holding Disc for Dogs,

Brickyard Grand Opening
May 5, 2006
Tournament and Activities

Drew Retherford/Stoutonia

A new disc golf course called Brickyard has been added to west Menomonie. The course is carved out of deep hills and woods. The UW-Stout disc golf club will have a grand opening on May 5. Area pros will be on hand to give clinics, and open tournament will also be held.

which is a program to help out the
animals in the local
Humane Society.

Players and spectators are
asked to bring in items to help
the cause, especially cat and
dog food, toys, leashes, paper
towels, metal bowls, non-clump
litter, copy paper and aluminum
cans. Monetary donations will
also be accepted.

Both Brickyard and the
animal shelter can be found on
Brickyard Road, the first right
past the Red Cedar River com-
ing from UW-Stout on Hwy
29. Brickyard parking can
be found past the DNR, be-
hind the animal shelter in the
courses' parking lot.

Brickyard, named after the

factory of the same name which
used to be where the course
now stands on, was approved
around a year ago and was built
on the public land which still
holds bricks from the factory's
industrious days.

University and commu-
nity volunteers, along with the
UW-Stout Disc Golf Club, have
been clearing brush, building
walkways and planting new
grass and flowers all year, as the
course sees its opening at the
beginning of May.

Additional tournaments
will be taking place May 6 and
7 at the Wakanda Park course
and Tower Ridge, as the pro
tour makes its stop. "Last year
the tournament was ranked in

the top 50 in the country," said
Hendrickson, "and is expected
to make the top 10 this year."

The professional portion of
the tournament will see the pros
playing either Wakanda Park or
Tower Ridge on the May 6, fin-
ishing with the other on the May
7. There will be 90 spots open
to the public, with an entry fee
between \$20 and \$50.

For more information on
Brickyard or the UW-Stout Disc
Golf Club, visit the club's Web
site at www.discgolf.uwstout.edu, call club president Jason
Hendrickson at (715) 505-1829,
or check out the ad in the April/
May 2006 edition of Disc Golf
Magazine.

Looking for a strong finish

By Matt Edison
Sports Writer

This past Friday the
Blue Devils women's track
and field team traveled to the
University of Wisconsin-La
Crosse as it hosted the Phil
Esten Challenge.

Bridgette Crozier, a sopho-
more, won the 10,000 meter
with a time of 39 minutes and
9 seconds, winning by five sec-
onds. Char Edwards, a fresh-
man, had a jump this past week-
end of 5'5" in the high jump
which provisionally qualified
her for the Outdoor Wisconsin
Intercollegiate Athletic Confer-
ence Championships Track and

Field Championship.

The University of Wis-
consin-Stout finished third out
of six teams this past weekend
while in La Crosse. In front of
UW-Stout was UW-La Crosse
and UW-Eau Claire.

"I am pleased with perfor-
mances this past weekend. We
really have made some good
strides, we had 33 personal
records while in La Crosse," said
Coach Joe Harlan.

Pam Sellberg, a freshman,
took home second on the pole
vault this past weekend, and
Abbey Ring, a sophomore, took
third in the 3000 meter steeple
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Courtesy: Sports Information

Both the men's and women's track and field teams have had strong
performances in the past few weeks. UW-Stout already has athletes
hitting provisional marks for the NCAA tournament.

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Chocolates that melt in your mouth

By Tracy Considine
News Writer

Menomonie's very own Legacy Chocolates was voted Best Chocolate of 2006 by the Twin Cities City Pages magazine. Legacy Chocolates has two

locations, one on the corner of Broadway and 6th Avenue. and one in St. Paul on the corner of Marshall and Cleveland.

Legacy Chocolates is unique in many ways and is known mainly for its truffles. Legacy offers a variety of

chocolate for every kind of taste by providing four levels of chocolate intensities: 41 percent, 58 percent, 73.5 percent, and for chocolate with a kick, 85 percent.

What's the reason for these specified intensities?

The answer to that lies in the belief of the creator of Legacy Chocolates, Micheal Roberts. Roberts wants everyone to know that Legacy Chocolates is all about the customer.

Roberts created his business on the conviction that human

intent matters. He stresses to his employees the importance of appreciating the customer, the product and their interaction.

This is no ordinary chocolate shop; Roberts believes in the quality of the product that he buys. Not only that, he believes in the people that make the product.

Every customer that buys Legacy chocolates in some small way helps sustain the lifestyle of centuries of perfected Latin American cocoa farmers.

"I think this is the highest quality chocolate you can get anywhere," said Kate Hearley, business manager of the Menomonie Legacy shop. "A lot of effort goes into making our chocolate the best there is around."

Legacy Chocolates has only been in business for a short time, since 2002 to be exact, but the atmosphere of the store and the attitude of the customers and employees attest to its success.

Hearley says she feels she just can't go wrong serving people mochas (which are her favorite) and of course, the chocolate (she recommends the caramel pecan truffles).

"I liked the atmosphere and the employees seemed really nice and friendly," said Sarah Grossman, a freshman in psychology and a customer of Legacy Chocolates. "And what college student wouldn't like a cheap cup of coffee?"

There is yet another perk to Legacy Chocolates. Because the products they use are organically grown, the truffles have many of the same

Flames quickly extinguished



Tiffany Laschinger/Stoutonia

Firemen rushed to the aid of local residents on Wednesday as a fire started outside of their garage near the 24/7 Telcom Building. Because of their quick and precise response, no one was injured and the fire was unable to spread, causing minimal damage.

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Abortion rates decrease in Wisconsin

By Lindsey Scholdt
News Editor

According to a survey released by the Wisconsin Right to Life (WRL) organization, abortions in Wisconsin have decreased in the past year by 126 operations.

"Wisconsin Right to Life is ecstatic that Wisconsin abortion numbers continue to decline," said Barbara Lyons, executive director of WRL. "Wisconsin abortions performed in 2005 number 9,871, representing a substantial decline. In fact, this is the lowest recorded

number of abortions in our state since 1974."

There are many suspected reasons for the decline of abortions in Wisconsin but there is no single reason for the decrease in the numbers.

The ongoing trend right now is that younger people are becoming more anti-abortion than they were several years ago. Also, there have been many educational messages sent out to students throughout their scholarly lives about the different options available.

"It is clear that Wisconsin

Right to Life strategies are working," said Lyons. "There is nothing more satisfying than knowing that thousands of babies have been spared a violent death from abortion. Wisconsin Right to Life estimates that 62,206 human lives have been saved cumulatively in Wisconsin since 1987. We commend our supporters and volunteers for their tremendous, selfless dedication which has meant so much to so many."

This survey comes during the ongoing fight in South Dakota to ban abortions from the

state in an attempt to eventually overturn the Roe vs. Wade decision. Currently, legislation is being passed in South Dakota that would make it a felony for any doctor to perform an abortion unless it will save the mother's life.

"Clearly, this is devastating for the women of South Dakota," said Kate Looby, director of Planned Parenthood of South Dakota. Their organization plans to challenge the ban there

"We fully expected this, yet it's still distressing to know that this legislative body cares so

little about families and women who are victims of rape or incest," said Looby.

"If you're just reading the law as it stands now, South Dakota doesn't really stand any chance under Roe or Casey. I have to agree with those who think it's remote," said Chuck Donovan, executive vice president of the Family Research Council and a former lobbyist for the National Right to Life Committee.

Returning to Mississippi to rebuild



submitted photograph

Students who went on the alternative spring break in Mississippi found their experience very rewarding and worthwhile. Another opportunity is being given to students to help the victims of Katrina who are still living with the aftermath of the natural disaster.

By Kristie Wilson
News Writer

If you wanted to join the alternative spring break trip to Mississippi to help with Hurricane Katrina but had other plans, you get another chance in June.

There will be a group of 28 students that will travel down to Waveland, Mississippi and will stay at a place to be determined. The students will leave in the afternoon of May 27, traveling by bus and will arrive in Mississippi the following afternoon.

The village is on the beach and is a 10,000 square foot structure. There are also many other structures spread out along the site. The village is fully functional and has utilities such as electricity, water, sewer and air conditioning.

The trip will involve some physical community work, such as helping with destruction, debris removal, tree removal, construction, Sheetrock hanging, painting, building repair and much more. The work will be done all morning and most of

the afternoon with some free afternoon time.

Volunteers will be placed into crews that will be taking on recovery projects around the community of Waveland and Bay St. Louis. Both of these areas received extensive damage.

If you are interested, sign-ups started Monday, April 24 at the SOC desk. You will need to pick up a packet to sign, and there is also a \$50 non-refundable deposit in order to hold a spot for you. There will be a \$100 remainder fee due in the coming weeks.

This trip would be good for anyone who wants to do some community work, make a difference and help out with the relief efforts of Hurricane Katrina.

"The satisfaction of helping others and changing their daily lives is amazing," said Adam Enerson, a senior in construction who went on the first alternative spring break. "By just cleaning up their yard they didn't have to wake up and see the damage from the hurricane."

Legacy /award

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antioxidants found in herbal green tea.

Legacy has the upper hand in chocolate that tastes good and is good for you.

Legacy will also be increasing its truffle production in Menomonie. Legacy was the first business accepted to the Oaklawn Harmony Centre for the Stout Business Acceleration Program. This program was designed to support local service and non-profit organizations that serve the greater economic good of the community.

The building for this organization is under construction in the Stout Technology Park.

The store hours in Menomonie are Monday through Saturday from 6:30 a.m. until 6 p.m. and on Sundays from 8:30 a.m. until 4 p.m.

Whether it's coffee or chocolate, Legacy Chocolates has little treats that are bound to make anyone smile.

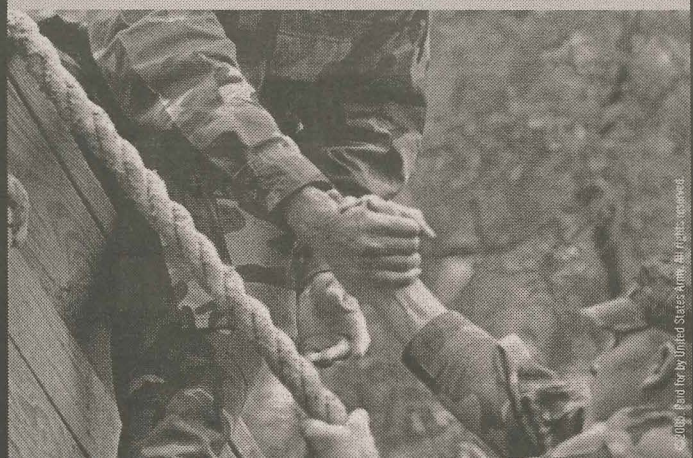
As their motto states, our Menomonie Legacy Chocolates is "Bringing peace, love, and happiness, one truffle at a time."



Tracy Considine/Stoutonia

When people walk into Legacy Chocolates they can smell the rich goodness of all the chocolates they have in the store. If you think they smell good, just wait until you taste them.

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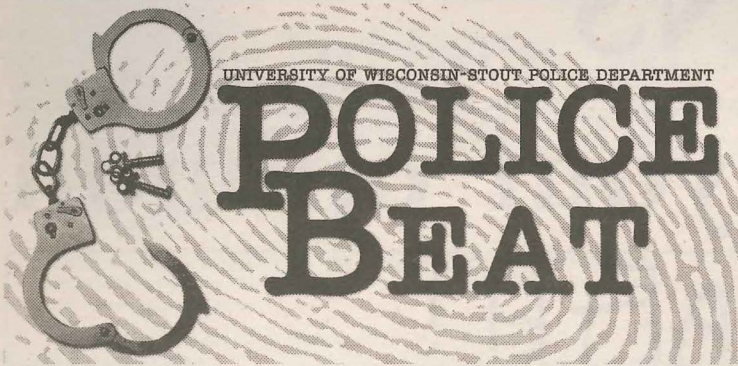


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 UAD 2nd offense: 3
 Failure to Stop at Stop Sign: 1
 Posses. of Drug Paraphernalia: 1
 Possession of Marijuana: 1
 Climbing/Walking on Roof: 4

Explicit content

On Monday, April 24, painted in green on a trash bin on the east side of Bowman Hall were the words "grit for life." Across from the west entrance of the Vocational Rehabilitation Building, "eat my c—k" was painted on the steam vent with the same color of paint.

What do I type on now?

On Monday, April 24, a laptop was removed from a room in CKTO without the owner's knowledge. No other things were missing and permission was not given to take the laptop.

Missing money

On Wednesday, April 26, cash was stolen from a purse hanging in the employee area of the Commons.

Find your own laptop

On Wednesday, April 26, without the student's permission, a laptop was removed from a room located in South Hall.

Bad luck for seven years

On Thursday, April 27, while parked in lot four, damage occurred to the passenger side mirror on a vehicle.

Who steals license plates?

On Friday, April 28, a license plate was removed from a vehicle while parked in lot four without the owner's permission.

More bad luck

On Friday, April 28, the driver's side mirror was damaged to a vehicle while parked in lot four.

Puncture wound

On Saturday, April 29, while parked in lot 34, a vehicle's right front tire was punctured. This is the second time this week that this has occurred to the same vehicle.

Consolidate your loans

The vice president of loan consolidation at Sallie Mae recommends that students with loans for school consolidate all their current loans. As it stands, those who choose not to consolidate are looking at facing a 1.5 to 2 percent increase in rates. Not only is it smart to consolidate and lock into the lowest rate possible, it is also more convenient. "With seven Stafford Loans, it was very confusing. Having one loan payment a month was much simpler and consolidating extended the loan term, giving me more flexibility," said Susan Larys, who graduated from North Park University last year.

Cheap gas

St. Cloud Minnesota has something we don't; 98 cent gas. That's because St. Cloud is home to the nation's first fuel bank. "People are making a cash deposit, but they will withdraw gas," says First Fuel Banks' Jim Feneis. Customers buy gas up front in bulk and then simply swipe their card to receive gas on their reserve. The price is fixed the day it's bought.

Winning big bucks

Keith Selix, an 81-year-old man of Waterloo, Iowa, is a three-time winner of the lottery. His

winnings total \$81,000 in the last year. Selix's wife passed away in February 2005 and is noted for scolding her husband for spending an average of \$200 per week on scratch-off lottery tickets. The money paid off and now Selix is spending his money on remodeling his home.

Bush wise cracks

President Bush's approval rates are dropping but jokes about him are piling up. According to the Center for Media and Public Affairs, during the first three months of 2006 Bush was the center of 307 monologue jokes by Jay Leno, David Letterman and Conan O'Brien. At a total count for all of 2005, there were 544 Bush jokes. Most of these jokes, however, are centered around Bush's intelligence rather than his policies.

Young bomber

A 12-year-old Michigan girl was sentenced on Tuesday to up to 12 months probation for bomb threats against her suburban Detroit middle school. The girl pleaded no contest to using her computer to commit false acts of terrorism. The messages read "I am going to bomb Wyandot Middle School" and warned students not to attend school all week because "I do care for you." "I don't think she grasped

the significance of her conduct or her actions. I'm not sure any 12-year-old could," said defense lawyer Brian Legghio.

Apology is too late

False hope was spread to the families of 12 missing miners caught in the Sago Mine Disaster in Buckhannon, West Virginia, in early January. During the attempted rescue of the miners, Bill Tucker, a state mining inspector shouted, "They're alive!" Yet three hours later the families were crushed to find that only one miner, Randal McCloy, had survived. Wednesday rescue crews publicly apologized for "the problems and heartache the miscommunication caused."

Plagerizing is bad

Indian American author Kaavya Viswanathan's first book has been permanently pulled from shelves for evidence of plagiarism and the deal for her second work has been canceled. Viswanathan's "How Opal Mehta Got Kissed, Got Wild, and Got A Life" has showed numerous comparisons to Megan McCafferty's "Sloppy Firsts" and "Second Helpings". At least three portions of her novel have an obvious parallel to Sophie Kinsella's book "Can You Keep A Secret?"

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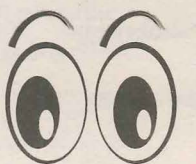
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Rebecca Oosterhouse, Editor

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The Stoutonia wants your opinion



Staff Editorial The Stoutonia Staff

Whether or not you are a regular reader of any part of *The Stoutonia*, we, the staff of *The Stoutonia*, want to know what you think.

Even if all you like to read is Police Beat, Letters to the Editor or the comics, we want to know how often and how much you enjoy what you are reading.

This is the first step in the plan to restructure *The Stoutonia*, which will be starting next fall, to better

reflect the interests of the faculty, staff and students of the University of Wisconsin-Stout.

There are various areas of *The Stoutonia* that people may feel need a lot of improvement, need to be left alone or need to be gotten rid of completely.

Such areas include the writing, photography and overall appearance of the paper. These, along with the name of the paper, are all things that are going to be evaluated for change next fall.

If this is not your first year at UW-Stout, you may have been reading *The Stoutonia* for a while. If so, we would like you to compare the paper now to what it was like when you first started attending UW-Stout.

Where people are getting most of their news from is also something that is being looked at.

All of these things, and a few more, are covered in the survey about *The Stoutonia* that can be found online.

In order to get relevant information about what is wanted from the campus newspaper, we need as many people as possible to complete the survey.

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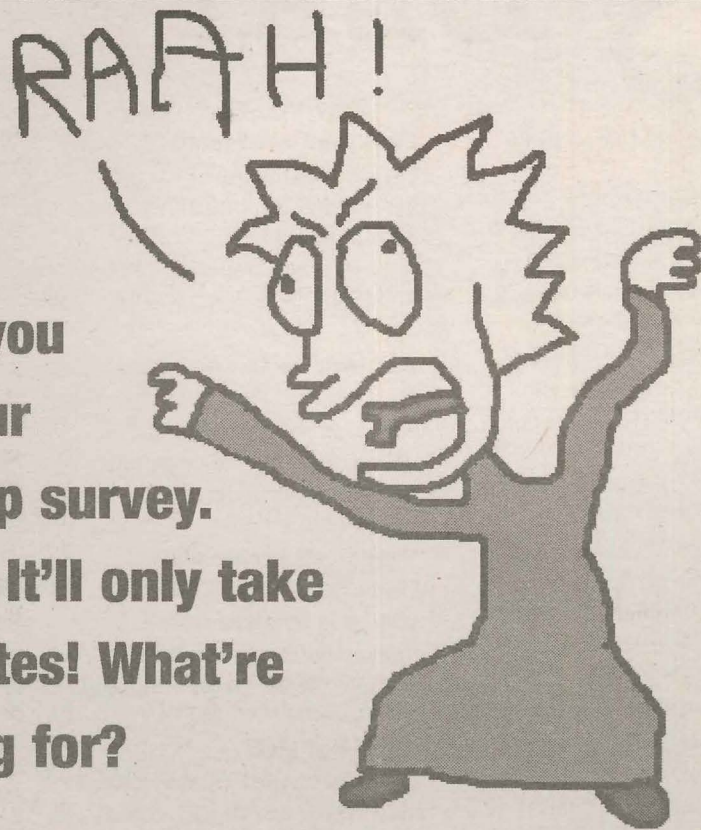
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The survey only takes a

couple of minutes of your time and would help us out a lot in being able to give our readers what they want.

It can be found at: <http://faculty.uwstout.edu/tankd/StoutoniaSurvey.html>.

Thank you to all those who take the time to let us know what you think.

Good, bad and ugly of collegiate life



Michael Graney
Columnist

Ever wonder what we are supposed to be taking away from this whole college experience? I know I have. At times, everything strikes me as an exercise in futility.

At other times, I begin to wonder if the goal of college is to see how far students are pushed until seppuku becomes a fad amongst the youth again.

It is a dark, expensive time. Knowledge can be seen as both advantageous and a crutch. Sometimes it becomes a trip through high school again, striving to appease a teacher, just getting through to make it to the next day and the next class.

Other times, it becomes a fascinating experience where one becomes challenged, enjoys going to classes and looks for intellectual discourse and hypothetical situations.

Why do I come to school? It is partially to finally get

the missing, over-emphasized piece of paper that says I have a degree.

If you look at the richest man in the world, however, he doesn't have a bachelor's degree, which would seemingly make it not as valuable as society places it.

However, a piece of paper holds high importance in our current society, indicating who has a valuable education and who doesn't.

The bachelor's degree becomes a symbol of the haves versus the have-nots (especially with college funding continually being cut by the government).

The main reason is to be challenged. I want to enter discussions about topics of the day in my field where what we do has potential implications on our future. It is that kind of energy that I thrive on.

Whether these discussions are over the practical uses of alternative energy sources or the direction of society, these topics can vary from as far as ethical considerations for the need of cheap labor to how outsourcing services will affect us.

Many ideas should be discussed and given proper forum in an academic environment.

This brings me to the latest fad going around campus concerning the polytechnic idea.

While I can't claim to know everything on the table, one of the most striking factors I have heard discussed through the whole conversation about making the University of Wisconsin-Stout a polytechnic school is the comparative number of engineering majors to other polytechnic related majors.

Typically, schools with large engineering programs also have fairly good-sized research departments.

"If you look at the richest man in the world, however, he doesn't have a bachelor's degree, which would seemingly make it not as valuable as society places it."

UW-Stout isn't a research and development intensive university. It seems we mostly concentrate on getting the raw knowledge into the students instead of dealing with theoretical hypotheses.

The practical is needed as well, but what makes a school unique is the pushing of the envelope in trying to discover what is possible.

The next question becomes "Why bother changing the name of the university again?"

If the university would require a name change it will accompany drastic changes in the university's structure, fine and dandy.

If not, then the name change is a pointless exercise in an attempt to redefine and advertise to a different prospective student pool.

I will go on record as saying that the ugly part of the collegiate life is the constant trying to define what one is.

In many cases, it is like the dreaded purgatory of high school all over again. At times, it seems we aren't asked to stretch our minds to probe what is and isn't possible but are stuck in a set mold.

It is a temporary hold-over in the airport of life. I just wish I had better movies like "Gattaca" to watch instead of the tired and true "Animal House" and "Happy Gilmore."



Letters to the Editor

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Illegal immigrants

I can't believe that UW-Stout is supporting this crazy immigration idea of letting certain people protest for rights.

These illegal immigrants have no rights at all. How dare they come here illegally and demand that we give them our given rights.

I am shocked and upset that I received an e-mail from the SSA dealing with this issue. If the immigrants tried this ignorant act in any other country, they would be deported, possibly jailed or even killed for their actions.

Why should we bow down to illegal immigrants? They have no respect for our laws.

Why should Mexican people be able to come here but every other country has to come here the right way?

This bleeding heart stunt by ignorant Americans and ILLEGAL immigrants should go down as the biggest joke in American History. This is not a republican or democrat issue.

This is an issue about respecting our laws and shutting your illegal mouth. Go home and come here the responsible way.

You illegal immigrants and Americans that support this make me sick.

An overwhelming 70 percent of Americans do NOT support illegal immigrants. Thank you for your time.

Brian P. Buck

Mixed feelings about JTC

I read the article in *The Stoutonia* about JTC coming down. I can't say I'm surprised because it seemed old back when I was there. But it still gives me mixed feelings.

I ate meals there for two years when I lived on first Hovlid. Back then it was strictly a girl's dorm.

I have fond memories of late night snowball fights across the road with the girls. (Long before it was widened and the walkway over the road was added.)

I enjoyed the view looking out the back windows of the dining room as we ate.

I worked in the kitchen washing dishes for a short time. I had a girlfriend in Jeter who used to cut my hair.

I think I might be a bit more

nostalgic about some things than most of my Stout friends but each time I hear about an "improvement" to the campus or the town it makes me sit and think back to my time there.

Even after all these years I still miss it. Don't mind me, I'm just rambling.

Wayne Novotny '73

Missing the real news

You do not know me, and I do not know you, so please take nothing I say personal. Where the hell is the news in this newspaper?

As a concerned citizen, it makes me sick to see that the most liberal part of our culture, college kids, are reporting on how many people received underages last week and what the most popular food in the cafeteria is.

Where are the articles on the real news? The articles on immigrant laws where 1.1 million protestors marched. The articles on a continually desiculate war. The AIDS epidemic in Africa.

No one cares about the review of Scary Movie 4 or Jay-Z's purple album, and if they do they have no soul.

Why not start a trend at this placid university of individual activism through the power you wield with your newspaper?

If you're not willing to report on the real issues in today's ever growing global community, then I am willing to.

Connor O'Brien

More issues with meat



Matt Schubbe
Columnist

I apologize in advance for talking about meat two weeks in a row, but this week's subject (and it's subsequent relation to the topic of meat) is unavoidable.

A friend of mine was reading my article while sitting next to me in class, and after commenting on how funny it was (her words, not mine) she mentioned to me that a friend of hers had been to one of those official meat council Web sites and found something strange, beautiful and hilarious.

This friend had found a kind of bizarre kid's corner targeted towards young girls. I was pretty befuddled by that.

Why target a gender? But still, it was interesting enough for me to try to find a similar page-if not the same one-and poke some fun at it.

I love a good burger as much as the next guy, but having a kids' page on a meat council site is like giving a senior citizens' discount at a BDP event. It's a nice gesture, but it doesn't really make sense.

I searched far and wide for this reported "girls' meat" page, but sadly, it was nowhere to be found. Perhaps the company that made it realized its folly and took it down. But despite this failure, I did find a couple other examples of similar pages that were almost as good.

The first is on a page for the

pork council here in the states. Entitled "Pork 4 kids!" this page not only features information on pigs but also such riveting pork-related games as "Pork Jumble" and "Pick the Pork."

Round out the experience with a pork scavenger hunt and a pork hall of fame, and you've got yourselves a hootenanny!

A similar, but slightly more serious, site is the one I found for the Beef Council of America. The target audience for their kids' page is a bit older, but they still use a number in place of a word like the pork people do in this "Zip 4 Tweens" page.

First off, the word tween has never sat right with me. Don't ask me why, I just don't care for it. But back to the beef; this site is dedicated to getting kids to "keep their zip" by eating right.

I'd be all for this, if the word "zip" wasn't in the title. Zip has always been one of the lamer words in the English language, and its overuse on this site isn't helping its case.

And, again, just like the pork site, this site has its own beef themed games, too! I don't know about you, but I can't wait to play "Chillin' and Grillin'" or, for that matter, "Burger Boggle." Wow.

Both of these sites probably contain useful information, but due to lame branding strategies, no one can see past all the meat in the way. Like an artery clogged from too many pork chops, these sites let the meat they're trying sell get in the way of any kind of real impact they might have.

So what am I saying? Get better designers and write better content, meat councils of America! Good day!

Republicans have strong core values



Shawn Peter
Columnist

For many, there is a lot of confusion about what it really means to be conservative or understand what the Republican Party actually stands for.

Understanding political thought can become very deep, and there are variations.

Typically, the candidate demonstrates party beliefs through his or her actions and platform.

Quite a few will say they support or oppose a candidate for whatever reasons but sometimes the reasons are shallow and don't involve much constructive thought.

It's surprising to find that many support a certain issue, but the candidate they are supporting does not. In fact, the candidate they support is very much opposed.

I find it very important to better understand the platform and the differences. There is a big difference, despite what is usually said.

Explaining what a republican is starts with what makes me a strong republican supporter. Hopefully you can agree and

maybe better understand where you stand so that you can vote a little smarter next election. That is the point.

The Republican Party is the party of ideas, the can-do party. It's in the name, let me demonstrate: "REPUBL- I-CAN." See?

Seriously, republicans are optimistic about life and America, and they are proud to be American.

Typically, they are the flag wavers, the first to wear red, white and blue, and are proud of our heritage and rich history as a nation.

They support traditional values such as marriage between one man and one woman, a strong family structure and religious freedom. They are for a strong, quality education with close parental direction.

Republicans are the first to advance and protect freedom. A major platform is being anti-abortion, which means protecting the rights of the unborn.

Very importantly, a republican will be the first to protect the right to carry firearms for personal protection and recreation. Republicans support equal rights, justice and opportunity for all.

For example, it was the republicans who supported women's suffrage and continue to support equal protections.

A major difference is that republicans believe in more personal responsibility, a limited government where we have more freedom over our own life and path we choose.

There is a role for government, but republicans believe that government should work for the people rather than people working for the government.

This explains why republicans will support lower taxes. Lower taxes allow the people to keep more of their own money to advance themselves while improving the economy, which in turn doubles the tax base.

Another major party platform is the need for strong defense, the support of our troops and their mission to protect our country.

Republicans believe in strong national defense and strong national policy to protect our interests as a nation and Americans.

The above statements are the core reasons why I'm republican. Hopefully, by reading this, you can look at the Republican Party a little closer next election. Sometimes complex issues like the war or just plain hatred get in the way.

However, when constructive thought and ethics are applied, republicans have the upper hand and hold a clear, noble vision for our country. It's a great day to be republican.

Online classes helpful



Leah Williams
Columnist

Online classrooms provide several benefits for students.

As a young mother in college, I have spent a small fortune in childcare costs, just to attend class.

Online classes save parents money for daycare costs and allows them to spend more time with their children. Parents can study while their child sleeps.

Online classes are also flexible. Daycare centers aren't open during evening hours, so if courses are available online, there would be no need to find a babysitter.

True, one might not visit their professor's office as often if class is online, but how many students do that, anyway?

Also, some teachers prefer e-mail to communicate, and students might have other classes during a given teacher's office hours.

Even with online classes, students can set up an appoint-

ment to meet with their professor.

Further, online classes help students save money by reducing parking tickets. I have paid many parking tickets because I didn't have change or misjudged how long I was going to be.

Some University of Wisconsin-Stout students pay up to \$200 for a parking permit to find out that spaces are only available early mornings, or on Fridays. So even if you buy a permit, you are not guaranteed a spot at any given time.

Many students commute to UW-Stout and we are all aware of rising gas prices. Online courses would give students the opportunity to attend class wherever they can get Internet access.

Besides, some students spend the class period surfing the Web, IMing or checking Facebook. When taking an online class, the student decides when to participate.

D2L offers chat rooms and discussion boards for students to interact and share ideas.

Technological advances have improved quality of life and it would be a shame if academia did not embrace these advantages.

Latinos Unidos broadens diversity

By Mike Ryan
Campus Writer

With organizations representing several different minority groups on campus, a few Latin American students and faculty wanted to share their own culture and bring Latin American issues to the attention of the rest of the student body.

Glendali Rodriguez, an assistant professor in the construction program, Paul Rodriguez, a resident hall director and some ambitious students have decided to spearhead an effort to establish Latinos Unidos, the first Latin American student group since 2003.

Although the focus of this new organization is Latin America, membership is not to be confined solely to Latin American students. Former SSA diversity director Addison Vang realized the need for a Latin American student group.

"It is a voice that has been

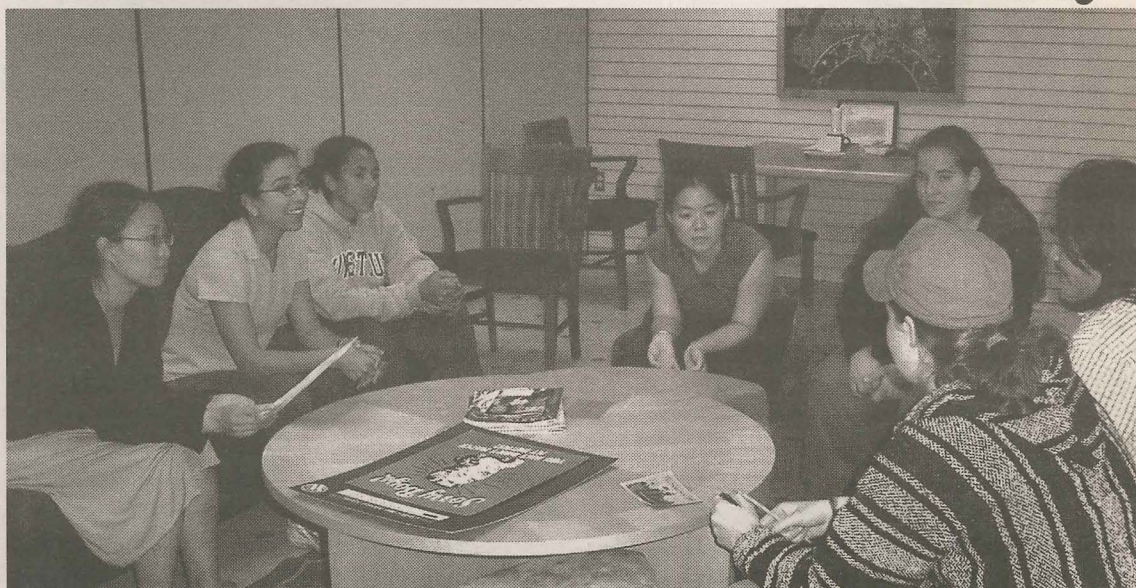
missing on campus for a while and this organization will offer the opportunity to broaden diversity on campus."

Consequently, Latinos Unidos meetings consist of all ethnicities and beliefs, all united under the banner of community—a concept that is very important in Latin American culture.

Latinos Unidos seeks to bring students together and form a place where people can be themselves, in the spirit of Latin American heritage. With recent immigration discussions throughout the news in the United States, Latinos Unidos could not have arrived at a more appropriate time.

The organization hopes to hold events that will bring awareness to such cultural issues both on and off campus; although, this year its purpose is mainly to establish itself as an on campus organization.

The first scheduled event by Latinos Unidos was a screening



Renee Currington/Stoutonia

Latinos Unidos seeks to raise campus and community awareness of Latin American culture and issues. They plan to schedule more meetings and events next year, and extend their invitation to all.

of the movie "Mi Familia," starring Jimmy Smits, on May 2, in the Great Hall. The movie documents the story of three generations of Mexican immigrants in a very moving, poignant drama.

Whether Latin American or not, come and support the voice of diversity on campus, and learn about a culture that is becoming more and more prevalent in the United States.

Look for Latinos Unidos meetings and events in the fall. For more information, contact Paul Rodriguez at rodriguezp@uwstout.edu.

Filmmaker to graduate

By Heidi Sleep
Campus Writer

John Reed, a non-traditional student at the University of Wisconsin-Stout, is making a name for himself in the film industry.

Reed is a senior in the technical communication major at UW-Stout with a self created minor in filmmaking. Reed is originally from Rice Lake, Wisc. and lived in Illinois for approximately six years before moving to Eau Claire and then to Menomonie in 2005.

"I've been going to school off and on since 1991," said Reed.

Reed began attending the

University of Wisconsin-Barron County, transferred to the Devry Institute and from there transferred again to College DuPage. Reed has had four different majors over the years including graphic design, business and communication before he finally decided to attend UW-Stout for a degree in technical communication.

Reed realized his passion was in filmmaking seven years ago and his experience in the field motivated him to create his own minor in filmmaking.

"I wrote three commercial spec scripts and after the third script I decided I wanted to write scripts I could direct,"

said Reed. "The second script I wrote was marketed to 13 different companies."

Reed definitely has a passion for filmmaking and greatly enjoys discussing the process with anyone that is interested. So is there a particular part of the filmmaking process that Reed enjoys more than others?

"I love planning the script, writing the script and then the three steps of the production process," said Reed. "[There is] pre-production, which is like your planning, casting and scheduling and then production, which is the actual shooting of the movie and then post-production, which is where all of the steps that went before become the final project—the movie," said Reed.

One of Reed's biggest influences in regards to filmmaking was his father-in-law, who was a retired filmmaker. Reed has traveled around the United States to attend different film festivals and workshops throughout the years.

In December 2005, Reed went to a feature filmmaking workshop in Santa Fe, N.M. that was presented by Rick Schmidt.

Reed found out about the workshop while reading both of Schmidt's books, "Feature Filmmaking at Used Car Prices" and "Extreme DV." The first four days was the Santa Fe Film Festival and the following ten days Reed participated in making a film.

"I actually made a feature film; it's called 'Rick's Canoe,'" said Reed.

Even more recently, Reed attended a writing conference in Los Angeles and had the opportunity to meet some important people



Source: Photo submitted by John Reed

John Reed, a technical communication senior, won an award for a film he made at a filmmaking workshop in Santa Fe, N.M.

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What is something you regret doing?



"I regret buying 'Three Dolla Bill Ya'll' by Limp Bizkit. I also regret knowing how to spell their name."

Patrick Gantert
Studio Art
Junior

"I snorted Coke once, but the ice cubes got stuck in my nose."

Becky Magalski
Interior Design
Junior



"Getting kicked out of 'The Market' because I couldn't stand. Apparently I was a danger to myself."

David Feyma
Engineering Technology
Senior

"Not kissing the girl at the 'No-Brand' convention."

Travis Swonger
Multimedia Design
Junior



"Not studying when I'm supposed to."

Crystal Caron
Undecided
Freshman



"Putting off homework on a nice days and staying up all night getting it done."

Becky Michlig
Apparel Design and
Development
Freshman

Exploring UW-Stout's history yourself

By Katie Triphan
Campus Writer

This past year I have written about numerous different people, landmarks and historical events pertaining to University of Wisconsin-Stout students. It is nearing the end of the year, and I would like to leave you with some resources for continuing your own local historical education, be it for a class assignment or for something different to do on a Saturday afternoon.

As I mentioned in one of my earlier articles, the Stout Historical Association, which includes the Stout Historical Association committee, has a lot to offer students by way of historical recreation.

Their Web site, located at <http://www.discover-net.net/~dchs/>, provides easy access to

information about local historical sites that would be of interest to students, such as the Caddie Woodlawn Historical Park and the Empire in Pine Museum in Dunnville.

Another Web site that has a wealth of information is the University Archives and Area Research Center Web site at <http://www.uwstout.edu/lib/arc/index.html>.

This Web site contains information about the history of the university, the history of Menomonie, photos, genealogy records, PDF files of diaries from John Holly Knapp (one of the founders of the Knapp, Stout & Co. Company) and searchable newspaper indices.

Though the Web site contains a lot of information, a lot of resources aren't available on the Web yet, and a trip to the ar-

chives (located on the third floor of the Library Learning Center) is definitely worthwhile if you are looking for any local information from back issues of *The Stoutonia*, photographs from athletic events (or nearly any past campus event), or maps showing historical sites in the area.

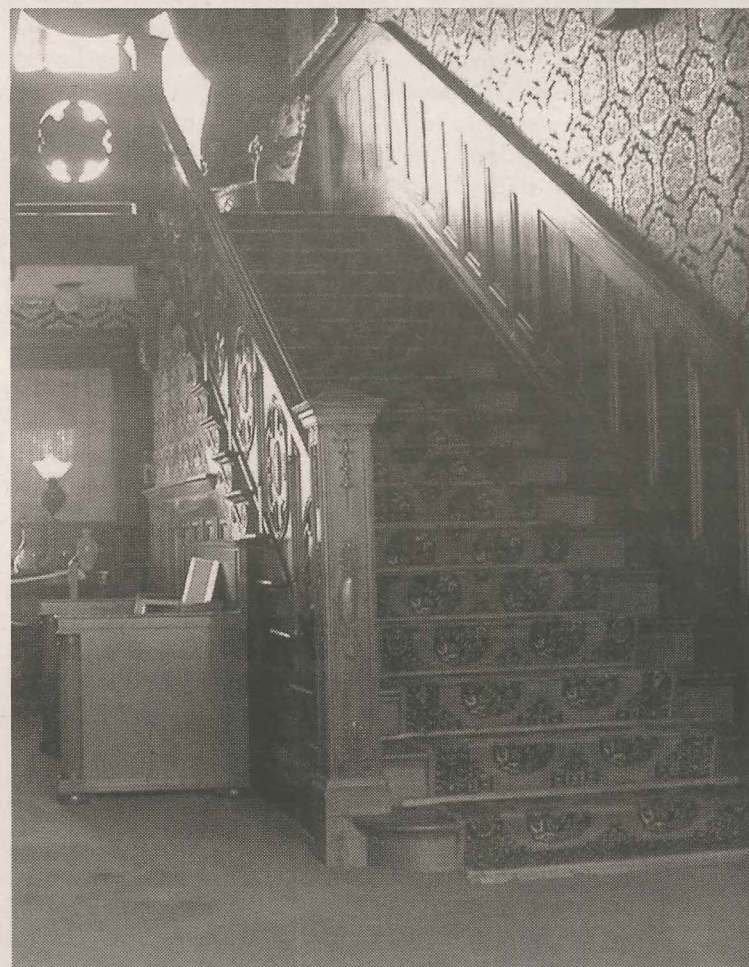
I already mentioned the Caddie Woodlawn Historical Park and the Empire in Pine Museum, but there are several other historical sites that are must-sees before leaving UW-Stout.

The Rassbach Museum, which I detailed in an earlier article, is located next to Wakanda Park. This museum features interesting history pertaining to UW-Stout and the community.

The Rassbach Museum includes detailed information regarding a bank robbery involving high profile criminals from the 1800s, information about the Knapp, Stout, & Co., and many artifacts from the university from early courses and recreational events that took place at Stout. That barely scratches the surface of what's on display there.

A name frequently tossed around on campus, but rarely given the attention it deserves, is the Mabel Tainter Theater. The theater is not just an historical landmark more than one hundred years old; there are many different events that take place at the theater year-round.

The theater really is a goldmine in that it provides students with the opportunity to do something cultural and out of the ordinary



UW-Stout Archives/Area Research Center

The Wilson Place Museum, located next to the University Clinic, is an elegant and luxurious building once owned by James Huff Stout.

Reed / director

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in the filmmaking industry. Two of the people that Reed met were Evan Katz, executive producer of the TV show "24" and Doug Eilan, executive producer of "Entourage," a series on HBO.

Reed currently has a crew of eight people that he works with to create his films.

"We all take part in the creative process," said Reed. "We've produced six films in the last two years and we have at least three in the pipeline, just kind of in the pre-production stage."

Many of you are probably wondering why Reed chose a major in technical communication when his passion is filmmaking.

"The reason I choose technical communication is that it had flexibility and I was able to design my own applied field," said Reed.

This degree will also allow Reed to have something to fall back on while building his career in the film industry and will allow him to continue to improve his writing skills.

"Every writer needs to have

practice writing," said Reed.

Reed has high hopes for the future and plans to continue working hard to build his filmmaking business.

"In the next five years I would like to be fully invested in film and not have to have the typical nine to five job," said Reed.

Reed has some advice for any aspiring filmmakers that happen to come across this article.

"Don't let anyone—and I mean anyone—tell you you can't do it," said Reed. "You don't need permission to be a filmmaker."

Reed also emphasized the fact that a filmmaker's first film is rarely a success, but that this should not discourage them and he gives some advice for this dilemma.

"There is a high learning curve [in filmmaking], but once you get past the learning curve it's easy," said Reed.

Reed is currently making some adjustments to his Web site, but anyone that's interested in seeing some of his work or simply learning more about him can visit his Web site at karmageddonfilms.com.



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The Russell J. Rassbach museum is located next to Wakanda Park. Displays include artifacts from early courses and events at UW-Stout.

on a Friday or Saturday night that doesn't require spending a lot of gas money driving to Minneapolis or Eau Claire.

The theater keeps an up to date schedule of events on their Web site, <http://www.mabeltainter.com/>, along with a history of the theater and hours when the public is allowed to come in and take tours. If you haven't

experienced an event at the theater, be it a play, a concert or an art exhibit, it is a definite must before you leave UW-Stout.

A final historical site that I have already talked about this year is the Wilson Place Museum. This museum truly fits the adage, "You can't judge a book by its cover." I passed by the museum for years without giving it a second thought. What a mistake on my part that was!

Luckily, this year, I took the hour-long tour of the inside of the museum. It was definitely a very memorable experience and a real window into the life of the founder of our university and how his family and relatives lived.

I hope I have succeeded in interesting you in the rich history of UW-Stout and the Menomonie community, and have inspired you at least once during your career at UW-Stout. Go and experience some of it firsthand.

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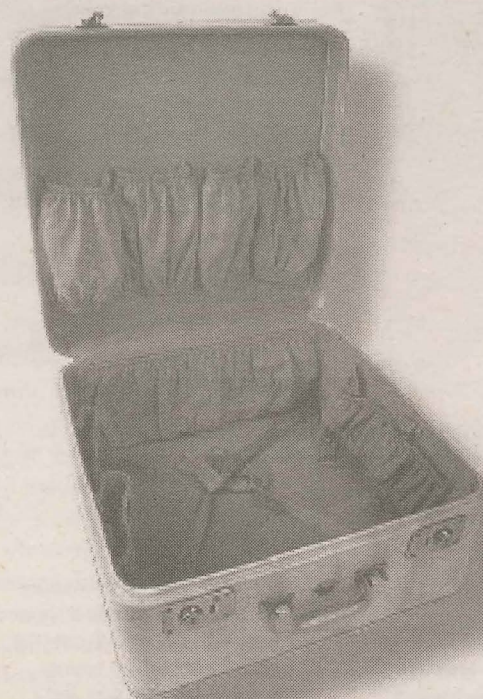
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Silhouettes shows student creativity

By Jennifer Gauthier
Campus Editor

Each year the Stout Apparel Society puts on a fashion show for apparel design students. The 2006 fashion show entitled "Silhouettes" presented work from apparel students and highlighted the seniors' collections. It took place on April 26 and 29, with the line to get in stretching all the way through the Memorial Student Center.

There was a huge range of styles presented, everything from very preppy to cowboy party girl, Las Vegas housewife and British high fashion superhero. Floral patterns, Asian-inspired design and black and white color schemes were well represented throughout the night.

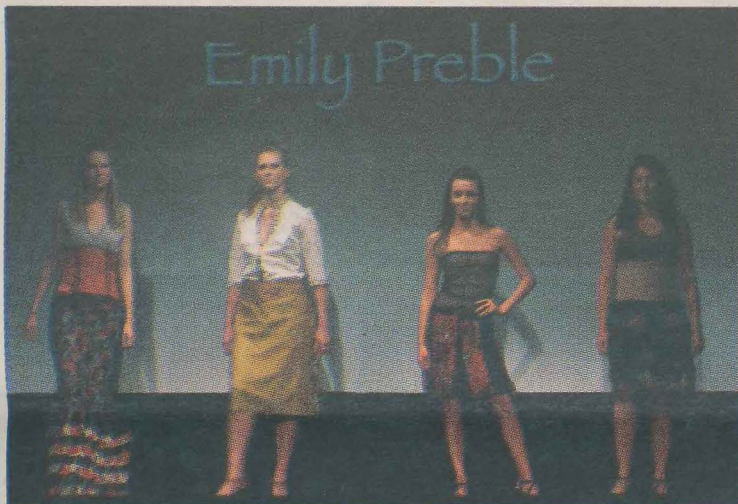
At the end of the show, some designers modeled outfits they made inspired by the art of Gus-

tav Klimt. The pieces tended to have richer, warmer colors, and were more heavily embellished. There were many different takes on design inspired by Klimt, so much so that it wasn't obvious that there was anything tying the pieces together.

Twenty-nine seniors presented collections, with 55 designers in all. The clothing was modeled by a range of people, from UW-Stout students to children, even an infant.

"[I most enjoyed] seeing the creative side and the originality by students that I go to school with everyday," said Logan Macrae, a freshman majoring in computer science. "I also enjoyed how they put their creative nature into action. There are a lot of people that claim that they are creative, but these students proved they were."

Of course, the show isn't all



Apparel design students put a huge amount of work and resources into creating the garments for the Silhouettes show.



Drew Retherford/Stoutonia

The Stout Apparel Society held its annual Silhouettes shows on April 26 and 29. A total of 55 designers presented garments, 29 of which were seniors. Some models were young children, including an infant.

about fashion. The show advertised that their models were the most attractive girls on campus. Judging by the wild cheering and attendees' testimonies, they didn't disappoint.

"There were a select few that you could tell were spitfires because of the way they went out there and presented themselves," said Macrae. "One

model in particular had some snappy hip action that was pretty amazing."

Admittedly, pretty girls in sassy, original clothes are a pretty good draw.

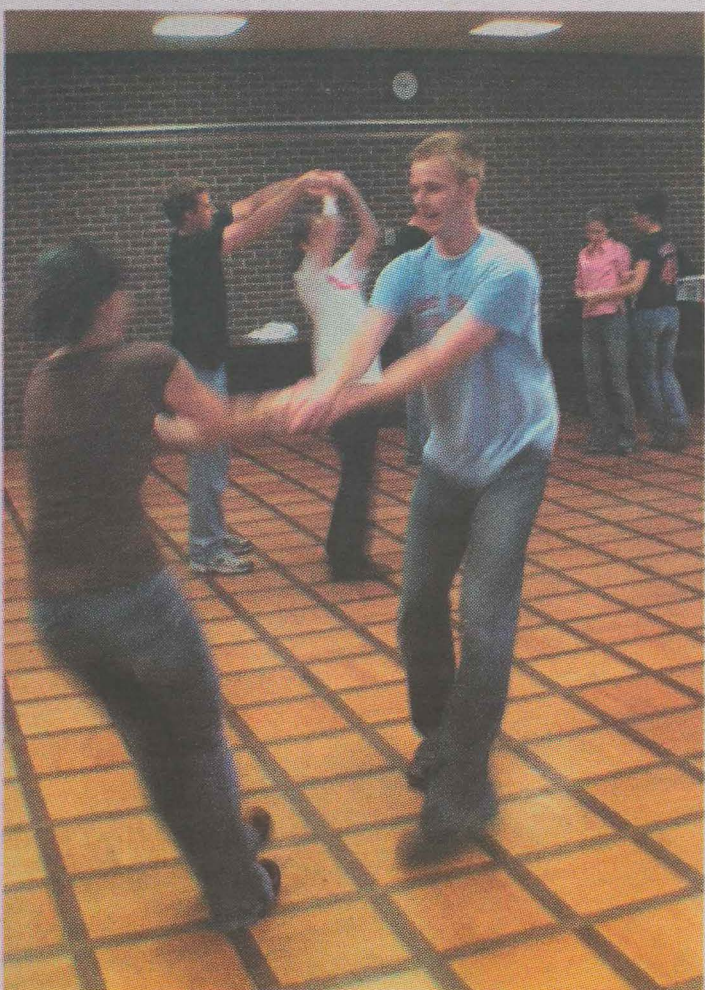
Maybe most notable of all was the obvious amount of work that was put in by design students, show organizers, volunteers and music, sound and light

technicians, among many others. At certain points in the show it really felt like an actual designer runway; the work was much appreciated by the audience.

We want to know what you think.

<http://faculty.uwstout.edu/tankd/StoutoniaSurvey.html>

Last chance to dance



Drew Retherford/Stoutonia

The Stout Swing Club held professional Swing Dancing lessons led by Pollie Evans on Wednesday, May 3. The club also held a dancing session on Saturday, April 29.

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A celebration of spring at the good ol' Stoutnic



Drew Retherford/Stoutonia

Last Thursday's Stoutnic, put on by Housing and Residence Life, ushered in the spring with such activities as karaoke, "Hollywood Squares," tie-dying shirts and more.

"Advent Children" delivers action



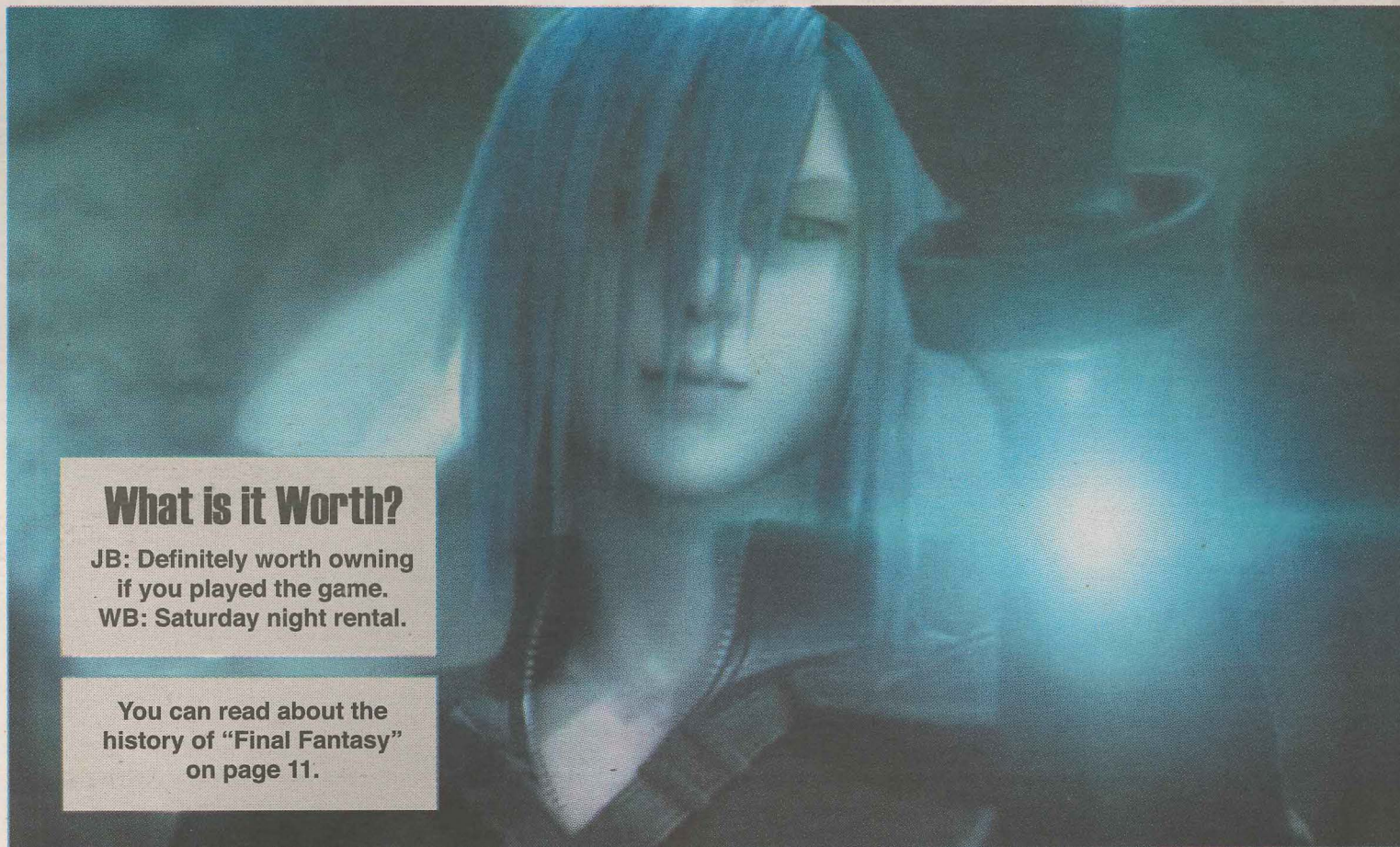
Jarrod Burns and William Butchee
Entertainment Writer

Continuing the story that was laid out in the "Final Fantasy VII" video game, "Advent Children" revisits the battle between Cloud Strife and his archenemy, Sephiroth.

Both characters being former S.O.L.D.I.E.R.S, and both wielding giant swords, the clash between good and evil is an action-packed one.

The game is hailed as having an involving and captivating story, yet lacking an effective conclusion. "Final Fantasy VII: Advent Children" has its own story about an infection plaguing the world, while tying up the story of the characters from the "Final Fantasy VII" game.

JB: Let me start by saying that I bought and played "Final Fantasy VII" from the day it was first released. The technologically modern setting of the story was new to me in role-playing games (RPGs), and the characters looked more like people than blocks of pixels. To anyone that played the game when it came out, the characters are as endearing as the characters of the original "Star Wars." It was promised long ago that "Final



What is it Worth?

JB: Definitely worth owning if you played the game.
WB: Saturday night rental.

You can read about the history of "Final Fantasy" on page 11.

Source: www.beyondhollywood.com

"Final Fantasy VII: Advent Children" provides fans of the classic video game with a closure they've always sought, but does little for the casual viewer. Also, doctors warn that if your wrist begins to glow following a viewing of this movie, you should seek medical attention immediately.

Fantasy VII: Advent Children" would bring back those characters and present them even more realistically while wrapping up the story's loose ends.

That promise was delivered, and it came with enough action to keep fans' mouths open for the 101-minute running time.

WB: Having never played "Final Fantasy VII," I did not have the chance to understand the entirety of what was going on in the movie.

Introductions to characters and plot explanation that normally occur in movies seemed lacking in this one.

JB: The fights in this movie are above and beyond what you would see in most videogames.

Needless to say, the directors and animators use their computer-generated (CG) actors to great effect, making the most realistically unreal action that you have probably ever seen.

The word "fantasy" in the ti-

tle does not refer to fruity elves prancing through dragon-infested forests. "Fantasy" means throwing out the laws of physics to enable sword fights and gunplay that will make "Matrix" fans cry.

While it's true that the story will be lost on most non-gamers, to anyone who has played the game, "Advent Children" is an epic finale to an epic story.

WB: Epic story or not, most of the budget and time for "Ad-

vent Children" was funneled into the style and CG department. With any CG movie, the music also plays a significant role, which was in this case based on the original game's orchestral soundtrack.

This nicely compliments the larger-than-life fight scenes. Overall, with the minor fact of not getting a full grasp of the story and characters, "Advent Children" will satisfy your craving for action.

The 411

May 4
to May 11

Thursday, May 4

- >The Plastic Constellations, Rec. Center, 8 p.m., Free.
- >Bill + Saddlesore, House of Rock, 7 p.m., Free.
- >Dumate, Stones Throw, 10 p.m., \$3.
- >Downer's Grove, The Mousetrap, 10 p.m., Free.
- >Changing Subjects, Tailgates, 9:30 p.m., Free.

Friday, May 5

- >Sunspot + MSB, Stones Throw, 10 p.m., \$3.
- >Runway 36, Blind Munchies, 7 p.m., Free.
- >Baghdad Scuba Review, The Mousetrap, 10 p.m., Free.
- >Live Jazz, Shanghai Bistro, 6:30 p.m., Free.
- >Half-life, O'Leary's, 9:30 p.m., Free.

Saturday, May 6

- >Queen Elizabeth, Acoustic Cafe, 8 p.m., Free.
- >Possibly Bailey, The Mousetrap, 10 p.m., Free.
- >Live Jazz, Shanghai Bistro, 6:30 p.m., Free.

Sunday, May 7

- >Fat Maw Rooney, The Mousetrap, 10 p.m., Free.

Monday, May 8

- >The Adam Braatz Quartet, Stones Throw, 9:45 p.m., Free.

Tuesday, May 9

- >Open Mic, The Mousetrap, 10 p.m., Free.

Wednesday, May 10

- >The Buffali, The Mousetrap, 10 p.m., Free.
- >Peter Phippen, Shanghai Bistro, 6:30 p.m., Free.
- >Catya's Trio, Sammy's Pub, 7 p.m., Free.

Thursday, May 11

- >Highway 53 Revisited, House of Rock, 7 p.m., Free.
- >The Midwest, The Mousetrap, 10 p.m., Free.
- >Peter Phippen, Fischer's on the Green, 7 p.m., Free.
- >Campus Night, Jericho's, 5 p.m., \$3.

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Reliving the cartoons of our lives



Matt Schubbe
Entertainment Writer

I'm trying to remember if I've done an article about cartoons before. During my tenure at *The Stoutonia*, I've written about a lot of things, not all of which I can remember clearly, but it boggles my mind that I haven't yet written about one of the great loves of my life. I was raised on cartoons, and since I also plan to raise my kids on them, it's about time I wrote something about the state of my animated pseudo-parents.

That being said, there are some very good cartoons on during the evening these days.

We all know about Adult Swim—I'm sure a good portion of the readers of this paper watch Cartoon Network's late night programming block as a nightly ritual—but what about other channels that air cartoons? Is there anything worth watching?

Well, if you had any spare time away from playing with your Pogs and watched TV in the early '90s, then the answer to the above question must be a resounding "yes." Well, maybe not if you're a girl, which is not to say that this is a gender-targeted article, but I am a male and I absolutely loved the shows from my youth. You



Source: www.doomedculturegraphics.com

"The Tick" is one of many beloved cartoon shows from your past that are worth seeking out during the late night programming of Toon Disney.

may still enjoy them regardless of gender, and that's why these '90s retreads are just as good as they ever were.

Remember "Gargoyles"? It was the show about medieval creatures that were cursed to remain stone until a rich industrialist bought their tower and they awakened into modern times. If not, then you should check your local listings and watch it on Toon Disney. Not only was it a very cool premise for a show, but it featured voice acting from nearly every cast member of "Star Trek: The Next Generation" besides Patrick Stewart. Solid.

Incidentally, all the shows I talk about in this article can be

seen in the evenings on Toon Disney. It seems they're ushering in a kind of '90s tune renaissance these days, because they're also running not only the excellent "X-Men" cartoon that aired while most of us were in elementary school, but the "Spider-Man" cartoon from the same time period as well.

Both great cartoons in their own right, they tackled a lot of source material from the comics pretty faithfully. Look for even more reruns of the "X-Men" cartoon as the release of "X3" in theaters draws near.

The last cartoon I'd like to mention is one of my favorites and is considered a cult classic by many: "The Tick." Based

on the offbeat comic of the same name, the titular Tick is a large, blue, nigh invulnerable dunderhead with a penchant for poorly thought out heroics and a battle cry of "Spoon!" His sidekick, Arthur, who dons a moth suit in order to fly, serves as his sensible foil.

They live in a city called—what else—"The City" and fight bizarre villains alongside an equally bizarre array of costumed rival heroes. This is basically one of the best super hero parodies ever.

If you don't believe me, see it for yourself. To find out when all of these shows air, check your local listings for the Toon Disney network.

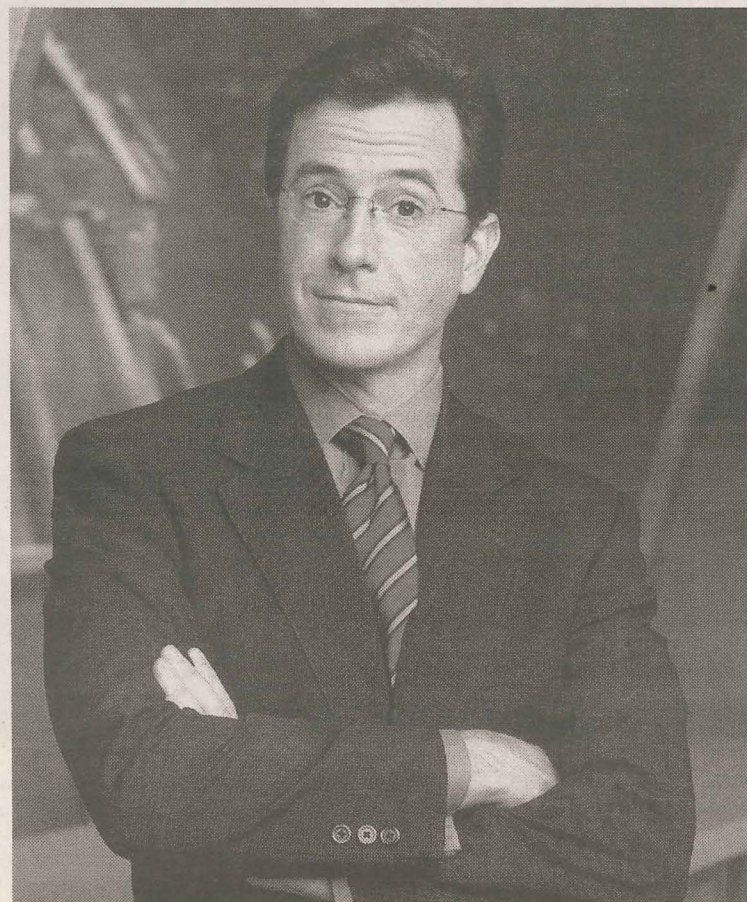
Colbert rips president new one at press gala

By Mike Ryan
Entertainment Writer

Many have watched Comedy Central's "Colbert Report," Steven Colbert's comedic twist on right wing pundit shows like "The O'Reilly Factor." On his show, Colbert ironically displays contempt for all media (except FOX News), intellectuals, liberals and basically every person who questions the government.

At this year's White House Correspondents' Association dinner, Colbert made one of the funniest and boldest speeches in recent memory, bashing President Bush on C-Span's coverage of the gala.

The president himself was seated merely feet away. The



Source: http://press.comedycentral.com

Stephen Colbert, satirist and coiner of the term "truthiness," opened fire on the president during the annual White House press gala.

tenor of Colbert's speech played like a New York Friar's Club Celebrity Roast.

"I'm sitting right here next to George W. Bush," said Colbert. "Somebody pinch me ... actually, I'm a pretty heavy sleeper ... somebody shoot me in the face."

Colbert went on in his speech to comment on the president's lack of support in public polls, most of which show his approval rating as low as 33 percent (FOX News Poll) and steadily declining.

"What are polls anyway besides factual representations of

what the American people actually think?" said Colbert.

Colbert frequently spoke directly to the president, who masked certain discomfort with a blush and a smile, although some audience members visibly disapproved.

The attendees appeared highly uncomfortable when Colbert referred to the string of appointments and firings made by the president as "rearranging the deck chairs on the Hindenburg."

Amidst the crowd's mixed reactions, Colbert criticized the first lady's reading initiative, arguing that it "promoted truth," which constantly displays a "liberal bias." Laura Bush was clearly displeased with Colbert, scarcely acknowledging him at the speech's conclusion and nodding only briefly before exiting the stage.

Toward the middle of his address, Colbert made an obscene gesture at Justice Antonin Scalia, known as a staunch conservative.

He also mocked the Joint Chiefs of Staff's persistent backing of Donald Rumsfeld.

Colbert concluded with a video depicting himself as the White House Press Secretary, shouting down reporters who posed questions about Iraq and plugging his ears.

The video ended with Colbert being chased by the outspoken journalist Helen Thomas.

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Gallery hosts local sculptors



Justin Emry/Stoutonia

The latest show at Gallery 106, an advanced sculpture exhibition, features local artists Alizabeth Kaiser, Emily Walley, Paul Housken, Matt Banker, Scott Shankster, Quinn Justman, Andrew Christensen, Erich Boldt and Brian Marcou and will run through May 13. Check it out.

A "fantasy" for all time

Helping gamers waste their lives since 1987

By Ellen Schuetz
Entertainment Writer

"Final Fantasy" is one of the longest running game series now existing, with its first installment released in 1987 for the Nintendo Entertainment System as the last ditch effort of a failing company.

To Nintendo's surprise, the game was incredibly popular and that success has continued to this day with the upcoming fall release of "Final Fantasy XII."

"Final Fantasy VII" remains one of the most popular games in the series and has inspired the recent movie, "Final Fantasy VII: Advent Children."

There are also many video games to be released, including a shooter game called "Dirge of Cerberus," which focuses on "Final Fantasy" character, Vincent Valentine; "Before Crisis," a cell phone game about the Turks.

The original "Final Fantasy VII" game was released in 1997 and stars a spiky-haired hero named Cloud Strife.

Strife is a mercenary wandering around looking for

work and winds up working with a group of people who are out to destroy a corporation called the Shinra Electric Power Company.

Eventually, playing as Strife, you make friends with these rebels and no longer consider this just another job. In fact, it's now your duty to save the world!

During his journeys, Cloud learns more about his past. This game has the annoying habit of

telling you just enough information about the character to get you by, but lets you fill in the gaps.

Sometimes you can end up just as confused as the main character.

This game isn't just busi-

ness. Even though the world might come to an end in the near future, you still have plenty of time to dress up as a girl, go to the casino and breed chocobos, animals that look like giant, cute chickens. If you haven't tried "Final Fantasy VII" yet, it is a classic must-have role-playing game. Many regard the game as the best of the series.

"To Nintendo's surprise, 'Final Fantasy' became incredibly popular."

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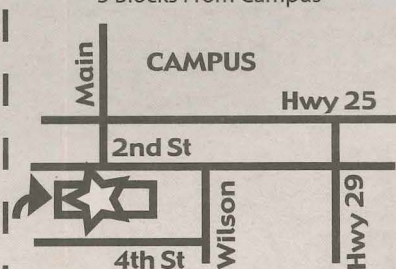
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Outdoor activities around campus

By Matt Edison
Sports Writer

It's warm. Classes are winding down, and the thought of studying is physically repulsive to most students.

Most people get together with their friends for a cookout or a few cocktails, but many spots on campus also offer a place for friends to meet and workout or play games.

All around campus there is plenty of sports equipment for students to use free of charge.

In an effort to spread personal wellness, *The Stoutonia* is going to list some activities that can be done outside for someone who is bored, wants to have fun with their friends, wants to get in shape or just to enjoy the nice weather.

Remember, finals are coming up, so here are some good ideas for taking a break from studying from all those books.

Disc Golf: For all you Frisbee lovers, did you know that on South Campus there are disc golf baskets scattered around the dorms for students to use?

It's not a huge course, but it is a great way to touch up on those easy shots.

This activity is great for exercise due to all of the walking, and it is also a great way to interact with your friends.

There is a bigger course off campus which is located in Wakanda Park, just off of Pine Street. Also, the Brickyard is located on Hwy 29 by the Humane Society.

Volleyball: Want to get down and dirty?

Then get all your friends together to get a rousing game of volleyball going.

Just about every dorm has a volleyball pit outside. This activity is a great way to get in shape, catch up on your tan and have fun with your buddies. You can play 2-on-2 or up to 9-on-9 on the court.

Basketball: There is a basketball court within minutes of every dorm.

Gather all your friends to play an intense game of 5-on-5 or 3-on-3. You don't have to have six or more players to play a game with a basketball; there is always a game of 21, lightning, around the world or everyone's favorite, pig/horse.

Horseshoes: If you are looking to get some sun and not build up a sweat, horseshoes is the way to go.

This activity is easy and is a great way to have fun with your friends while enjoying the weather.

Horseshoes doesn't require that much work and is fun at the same time. If you don't have a set of horseshoes, some can be borrowed from the front desk of your dorm.

Horseshoes can be played with as few as two people and up to four.

Football: There are three football fields here on campus, all located on South Campus near the Fieldhouse.

This activity is a great way to get into shape, improve hand/eye coordination and to have fun with your friends.

You can play two hand touch, which does not involve equipment, or you can play flag football. Flag football is more exciting and is more challenging than two hand touch.

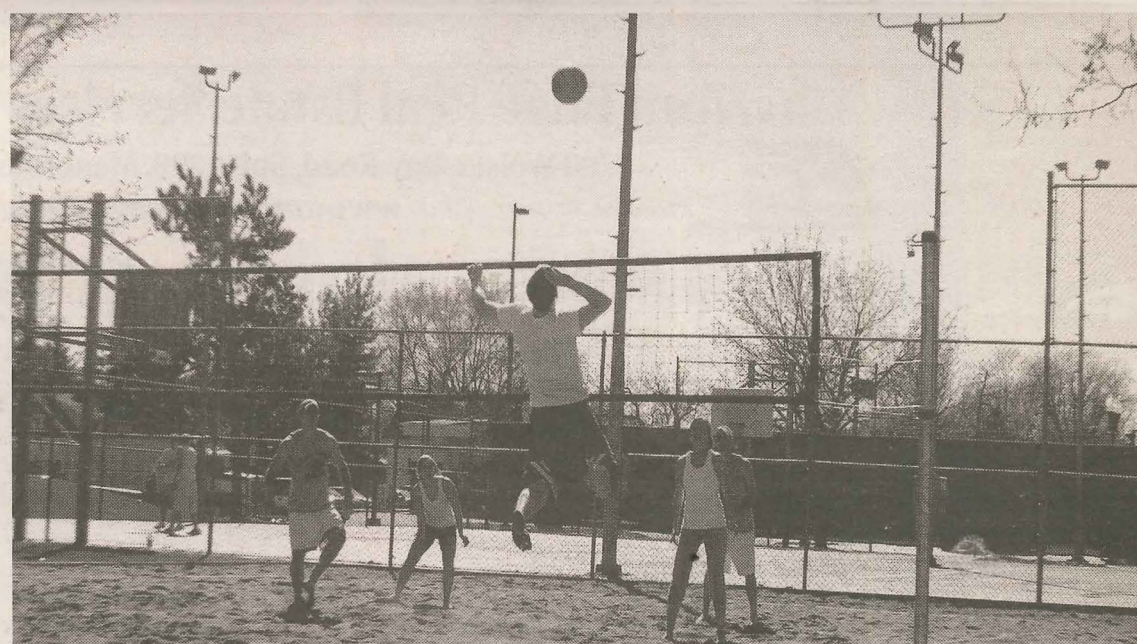
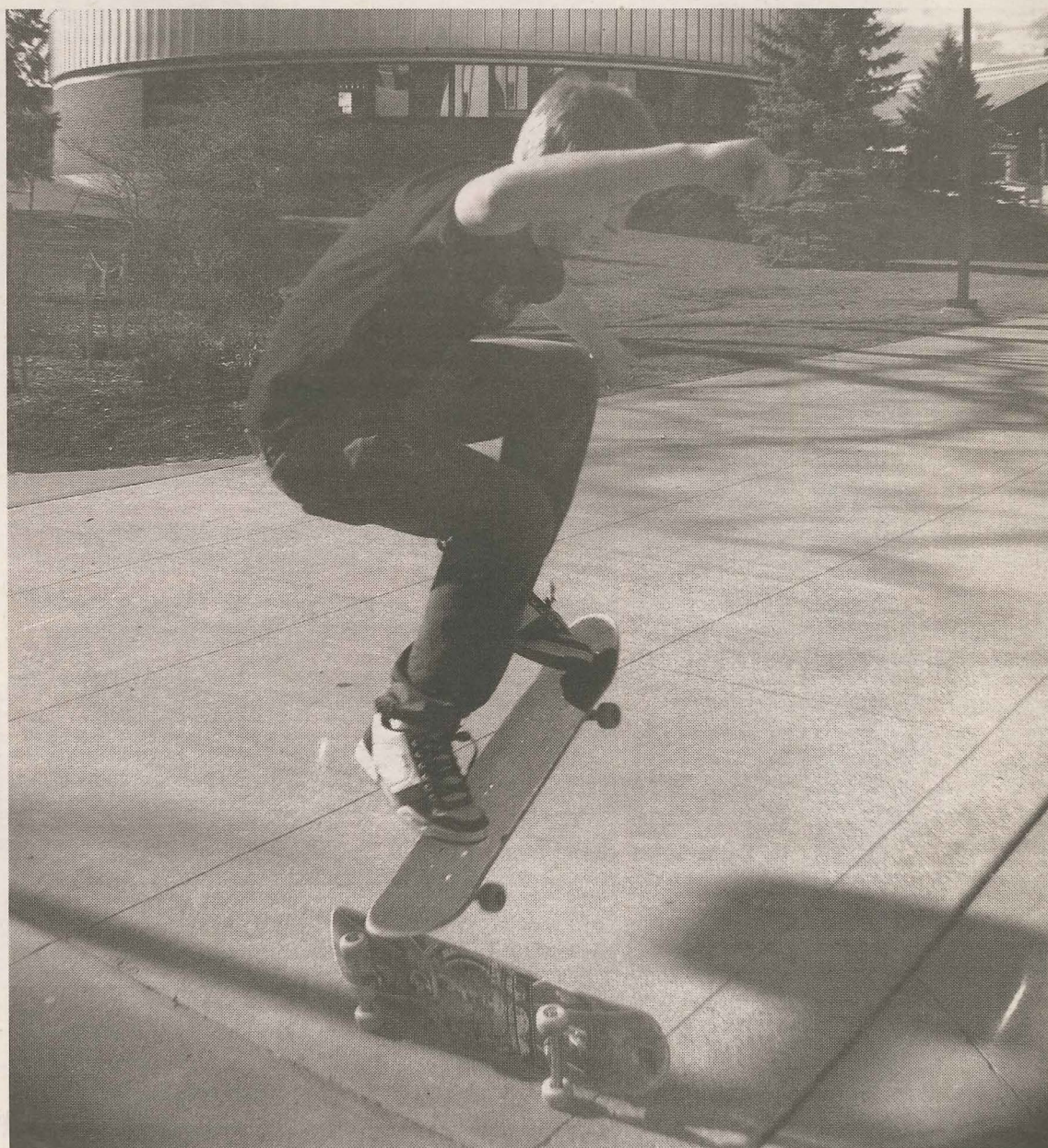
This sport is best when there are more than eight people participating.

Rollerblade/Skateboarding: Rollerblading and Skateboarding is a great way to get a workout and cover alot of ground. A pair of good rollerblades may cost alot, but it is a good investment if you don't like alternatives like running.

Skakeboarding takes more experience but also can be fun if you are willing to put in the time to learn.

Softball/Baseball: This is a great activity to play with a lot of people because everyone is involved during the game.

Holding a home run derby is another activity that can be played out on the field.



Drew Retherford/Stoutonia

(top) Dan Rosas is one of many UW-Stout students who skateboards on campus. Remember to follow local laws and to stay in areas where these activities are allowed. (below) Volleyball is popular on campus.

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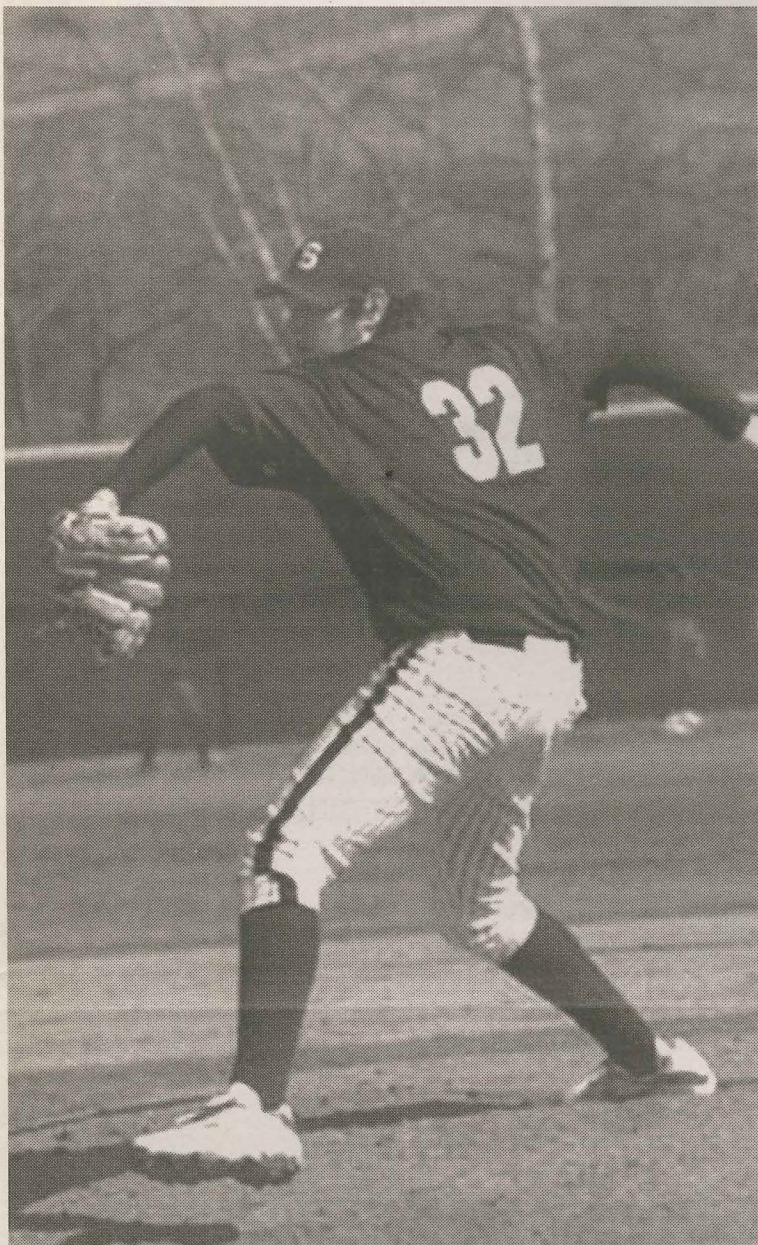
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stout a 10-2 lead in the fifth inning while pitcher Scott Decker finally broke his scoreless streak at 20-plus innings. Decker also struck out seven players in the seventh inning.

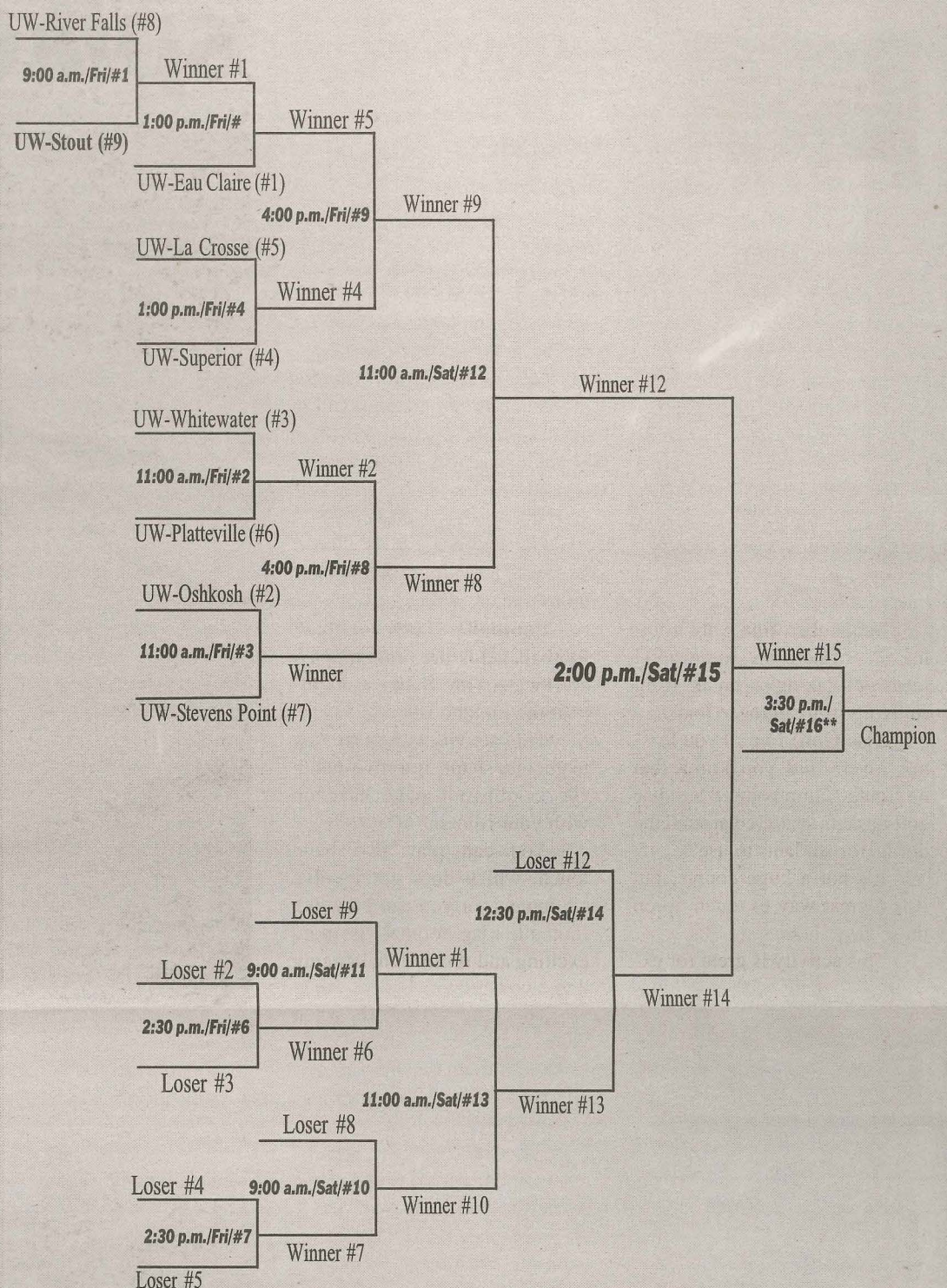
The final score was a well-earned 14-3, leaving the Blue Devils in high spirits. They were

scheduled to take on the Pioneers again the following day, April 20, but the game was canceled due to rain. The Blue Devils will take on the University of Wisconsin-Oshkosh on May 5 and 6. Cheer the Blue Devils on as they host Viterbo University on May 7 at 1 p.m.



Courtesy: Sports Information
Joe Chittum and the UW-Stout pitching staff hope to keep the wins coming as the season draws to a close. Two key wins over UW-Platteville kept the Blue Devils in the race for a conference playoff berth.

2006 WIAC Women's Softball Tournament Hosted by UW-Stout at Wakanda Park in Menomonie May 5-6



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Blue Devil Scoreboard



Baseball (14-18)

The baseball team swept Northland College 11-4 and 7-1 on May 3.

Next Game:
May 5-6 at
UW-Oshkosh

Men's Track & Field

Matt Delaney placed second in the high jump while Ryan Kowski took second in the discus at the Kip Janvrin Open at Simpson College.



Women's Track & Field

Jackie Bruchez placed second in the triple jump and Char Edwards was second in the high jump at the Macalester Invitational.



Softball (8-28)

The softball team was swept by Hamline University 1-0, 6-5 on May 2.

Next Game:
May 5-6 hosting
UW-River Falls



Blue Devil tennis spikes opposition

By Casey Nold
Sports Writer

The University of Wisconsin-Stout's tennis team had an amazing fall season.

While the team has seen a bit of a turnaround in their non-traditional season, they still have their accomplishments from the regular season and have hope for the upcoming year.

The team's main focus and toughest goal this year was to improve their conference standing.

"The last two years we finished seventh in the conference standings and this year we finished fifth, which was our biggest goal that we had in front of us," said head coach Mark Noll. "That was a great improvement and we worked hard to make that happen."

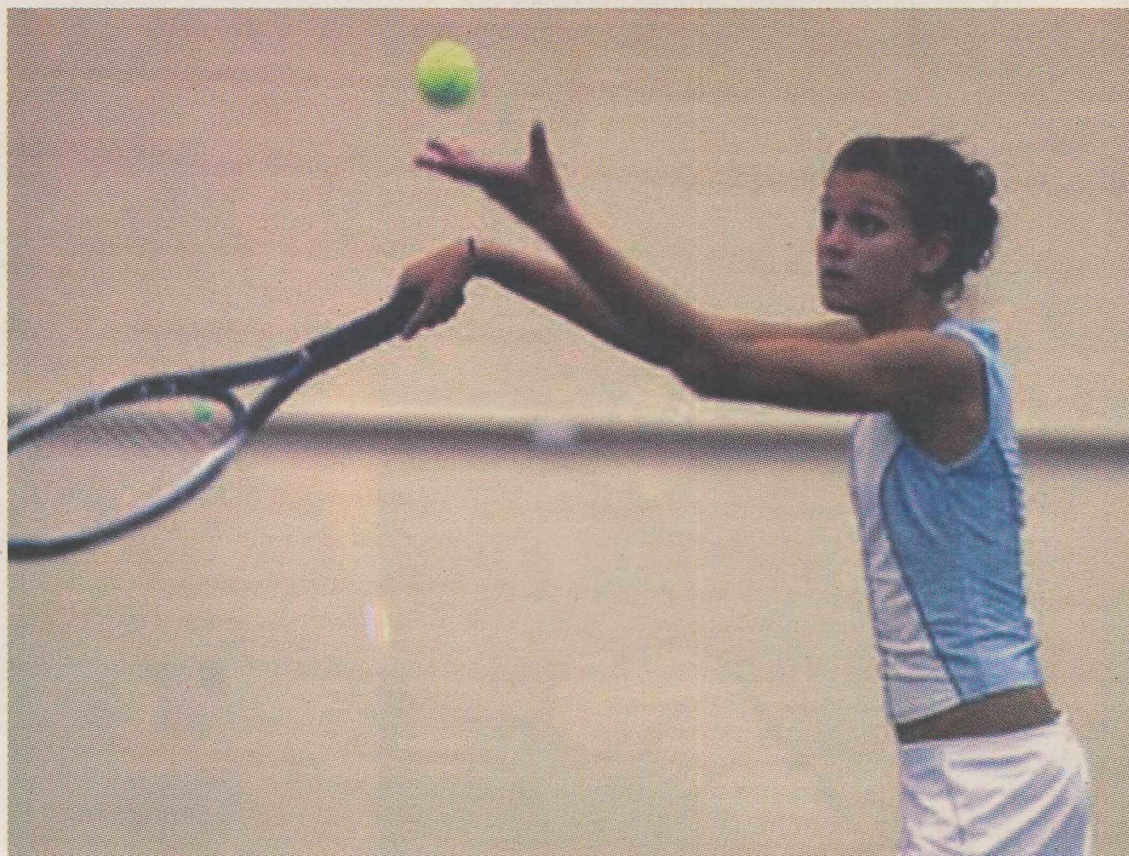
The girls were at the top of their game in the regular season. With much hard work, effort and support from their coaches, the team ended the season with an overall record of 7-5.

This marked the first winning season for UW-Stout's team since 1997.

"Our girls this year were very talented, driven and hard working," said one of the team captains, Nicole Hayek, graduating this year with a business degree.

She also said that the new girls that joined the team this year were lively and full of spirit which helped this team earn its victories.

Although much excitement was had during the traditional season, the girls now move to their non-traditional season which lasts about five weeks and serves as practices to im-



Courtesy: Sports Information

The UW-Stout tennis team had a great fall season. Although the short spring season wasn't as successful as hoped, the team finished with a 7-5 record throughout both seasons. It was the best record since 1997.

prove their game and work on team talent.

The non-traditional season has been rough on the team so far. They played against St. Catherine's and St. Mary's out of Minnesota with scores of 9-0 and 8-1.

Although these scores may look bad, coach Noll said that individual scores in the matches weren't as bad as the overall scores made them look.

"We may not have a winning record right now, but I think as coach continues to push us at practice we're going to build up a strong line up," said freshman Jodie Czech addressing issues of working hard to maintain a strong team.

The girls are working very

hard right now, although their record may not show it.

The main reason for the girl's lack of consistency in the non-traditional season is because they are playing against teams that are still in their traditional season.

So while the girls haven't played a regular season game since October, their current competition is still in their regular season, so they are on top of their game.

Unfortunately, the girls have had some setbacks on continuing and finishing their non-traditional season, because two of their scheduled games have been cancelled due to weather conditions.

Although the season is

coming to an end, there is much excitement for the future of the team.

"I'm excited to see how the upcoming freshmen will be. It's always fun to get new faces joining to help us build up our team," said Jodie Czech.

There isn't a better way to end this season and coast into the next than with some inspiring words from a captain, leader and great teammate.

"I have seen tremendous growth in the program, in coach Noll and in the girls," said captain Nicole Hayek. "I was very proud to be a part of this team through both the wins and the losses. I wish the team luck in the seasons to come."

Ball teams set for playoffs

By Jessica Boe
Sports Editor

The University of Wisconsin-Stout baseball team proved they have the skills to make a mark in the conference on April 29, as they were victorious in a double-header against the University of Wisconsin-Platteville.

In the first game, Nick Klaren, a freshman, put the Blue Devils on the board with a two-run double in the first inning, and Seth Maier, a junior, hit a home run and three RBI.

As UW-Platteville tried to gain some ground, UW-Stout added three more runs and fin-

ish the game with an ending score of 6-4.

Wasting no time in their second game, the Blue Devils scored four runs in the first inning with Klaren and Tanner Kattre, a freshman, each driving in two runs.

In the third inning, things were looking good as Kattre plated Klaren after Klaren smashed a leadoff triple to deep centerfield.

In the fourth inning, Maier bumped the score to 8-0 with a three-run homer into center. Bryan Vilstrup and Eric Paul were driven home, giving

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Courtesy: Sports Information

Erik Johnson and the UW-Stout baseball team have had a season full of ups and downs. The team hopes to stay on the winning track and get into the playoffs.

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The class of 2006 says goodbye

By Kristie Wilson

Campus Editor in Training

Most students this time of year are frantically trying to prepare for all of their finals, but some have other things on their

mind: their future. University of Wisconsin-Stout will hold commencement on Saturday, May 13 from 9:30 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. in the Johnson Fieldhouse.

According to the last calculation there were 122

advanced degrees and 715 undergraduate students who had identified themselves to be graduating this weekend.

"May Commencement Ceremony is pretty big these days since Stout no longer has

a Summer Commencement Ceremony," said Larry Graves, Assistant Registrar for UW-Stout Registration & Records, "If a student will finish in August, they have the opportunity to walk in May.

"Chancellor Charles W. Sorensen will be the one who addresses the graduates, confers degrees and presents diplomas."

The students graduating in the morning will be from the College of Human Development and the School of Education. Following that, the afternoon ceremony will be from the College for Technology, Engineering and Management and the College of Arts and Sciences.

The UW-Stout band will provide music directed by Stephanie Graber. There will also be choral music from Stout Symphonic Singers directed by Patrick Liebergen and accompanied by Joy Becker.

Robert Heuermann, the assistant chancellor for Foundation and Alumni Services, will be there to welcome the graduates into the Stout Alumni Association.

For all graduates who are procrastinating on their preparations, caps and gowns are to be purchased at the University Bookstore. You do not need to place an order in advance. Students who are graduating with honors, identified on the commencement bulletin, are given a cordon to wear at commencement.

All students will wear traditional black attire. All gown sizes are calculated by the graduate's height and weight, whereas the caps are one size fits all.

Students should plan to arrive a half-hour before their scheduled ceremony. Since there is no rehearsal it is important to be there to receive instructions. All graduates should also bring a 3x5 card with their name printed clearly on it. This card will be handed to the reader for the ceremony, so if your name is hard to pronounce, help them out.

If you have any other questions you can go to www.uwstout.edu/stusrv/commencement.html.

One last glimpse



Chelsea Rickert/Stoutonia

The Bowman Hall clock tower has been a main attraction at the University of Wisconsin-Stout for many years. As seniors graduate and begin their new lives in their various careers, the image of this tower standing over the rest of the campus, is one that will not easily be forgotten.

Save money on some loans

By Lindsey Schultdt

News Editor

For graduating students with thousands of dollars in debt to begin paying, there may be a way for them to save some of their money. There is a provision on the Reconciliation Bill that may help students with their federal loans.

"Anytime we can alert our students about a way to save money, we will," said

Beth Resech, the director of financial aid at the University of Wisconsin-Stout. "If students and parents take advantage of this opportunity, they could save a significant amount on the total cost of their students and parent loans. Locking their variable rate student loans in an attractive low interest rate can reduce the overall cost of the loan, as well as lower the monthly loan payment amount."

Anyone who has a federally

insured education loan can lock into their current rates and stop their payments and interest from getting higher by consolidating their debt. Even if students or parents only have one loan, they will still be able to consolidate.

By consolidating, anyone who has one of these loans will lock into a fixed rate of what the interest currently is.

Congress recently raised the

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Reviewing proposals

The Board of Regents looks at new programs

By Karen Rivedal

Wisconsin State Journal

MADISON -- Though it's far from a done deal, members of the University of Wisconsin Board of Regents on Thursday reviewed proposals for \$43 million in new programs that could boost enrollment, graduate more teachers and nurses, and strengthen research efforts across the University of Wisconsin System.

The ideas, advanced for board consideration in plans for the next two-year budget, are designed to fit the System's new "growth agenda," announced by System President Kevin Reilly in February.

Reilly on Thursday said the proposed programs "will help take Wisconsin where it needs to go." The state lags behind the national average in residents with college degrees, and the new ideas will address that problem, Reilly said.

If approved by the state, the programs could increase enrollment by 2,800 students

in the 2007-09 biennium, staff said, with a total of 7,700 students if funding is continued over six years. As proposed now, about 70 percent of the \$43 million cost would come from state tax dollars, with the rest from tuition, representing \$12.6 million or about a 1.6 percent annual increase.

Regents must approve a budget proposal for consideration by Gov. Jim Doyle and the Legislature by August. System officials are hoping for more money in the next state budget, after the past six years of budget cuts or hold-even funding.

Also on the list of ideas Thursday -- but not included in the \$43 million bill -- was the Wisconsin Covenant, a major new financial aid program announced by Doyle in January and backed by the board. Doyle plans to update the board on covenant details today.

Doyle also will tell the board about his recent efforts to

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Stoutonia staff has many new faces



The Stoutonia is seeing many new faces this year and is preparing for a revival of the paper for next year.

From left to right, David Hinrichs, online editor; Sam Schuna, opinions editor; Casey Nold, sports editor; Xander Moser, chief copy editor; Al-lycia Funkhouser, advertising manager; Jason Harsh, photographer; Ryan Scheuerman, business manager; Tracy Considine, news editor; Kyle Kingston, editor in chief; Russell Griesmer, production manager; Chelsea Rickert, entertainment editor, and lying down is David Hackel, computer technician. Not pictured are Kristie Wilson, campus editor and Alan Briggs, ad design manager.

The new staff has worked hard to help keep *The Stoutonia* together throughout the past year and prior years and expect next year to be the best yet.

NEWS for the COLLEGE attention span

Another Bush?

On Wednesday, President Bush suggested that his younger brother Jeb would be suited to continue the family White House legacy. Bush believes Jeb would "make a great President." Jeb Bush is currently in his second term as governor, and there is no word as to whether he plans to run for presidential office.

Fondling confession

A 23-year-old New York man has given N.Y. police a handwritten confession

of attempting to kiss, lick and fondle the legs and toes of over 70 women on New York subways over the last three years. His aim was reportedly "to make them laugh and smile and open to talk to me." He is charged with forcible touching, sexual abuse and unlawful imprisonment (for grabbing womens legs and not letting go).

Young assault

Last Friday at Columbia Accelerated Community Educational Center, an

eight-year-old second grade girl was sexually assaulted by twelve first and second grade boys during recess. The teacher who was supposed to be supervising recess has been fired and another suspended. The boys could be facing misdemeanor counts of assault and sexual misconduct.

Don't shoot your teachers

Beth Ann Cox, a junior at Peachtree Ridge High School, was suspended for five days after singing

a spoof of "On Top of Old Smokey" that included lyrics about shooting a teacher. Cox admits to humming the song after leaving her German class but denies singing loudly or directing the song at any teacher. The lyrics she was reportedly singing were "On top of Ol' Smokey, all covered with blood, I shot my poor teacher with a .44 slug."

Don't poison your teachers

Julie Hunt, a 43-year-old mom was charged with helping her teenage daughter and two other friends make cookies laced with laxative to give to a teacher. Hunt pleaded innocent to a charge of misdemeanor assault. The principal of the school called

police after hearing the girls talking about the incident. The girls are not facing any charges at this time.

Come to a complete stop

On Friday, Chrysler recalled around 45,000 Chrysler 300, Dodge Charger and Dodge Magnum sedans for repairs to brakes. Apparently the brakes need repairs to prevent brake fluid leakage that could potentially lead to engine compartment fires. The recall is specifically for 2006 models with 2.7-liter engines. Currently, there are nine reported engine fires and no reports of crashes or injuries.

Loans / save \$1,000 by consolidating

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interest rates on student loans as part of the Reconciliation Bill. Anyone who gets financial aid next year in the form of a Stafford loan will be paying 6.8 percent interest, which is up about 1.5 percent from last year.

The Parent Loan for Undergraduate Students (PLUS) has also gone up in interest to 8 percent, which is about 2 percent more than last year.

"The UW-Stout Financial Aid Office wants to make our current and former students and their parents aware of the window of opportunity to consolidate their Federal Stafford loans or their Federal PLUS loans," said Nancy Johnson, a financial aid counselor at UW-Stout. "As a result of the Deficit Reduction Act of 2005, the opportunity to consolidate student loans while still in school ends June 30, 2006. If students or parents want to take

advantage of this opportunity, they will need to act now."

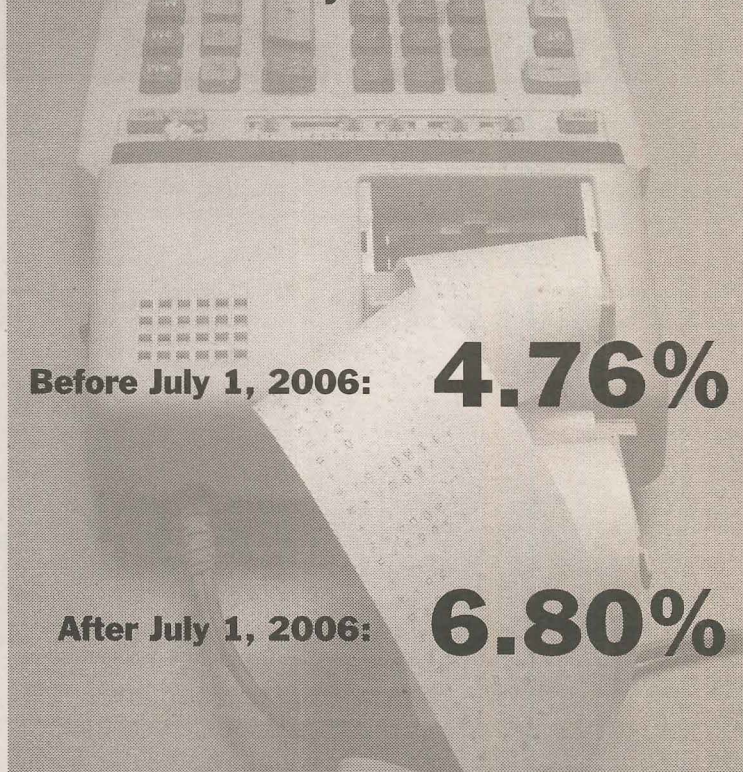
Any current students who apply before July 1 will get an interest rate of 4.75 percent at the most. Anyone who graduated more than six months ago can have their rates capped at 5.375 percent. Those with PLUS loans can cap their interest at 6.125 percent, which could save borrowers around \$1,000 for a \$10,000 loan. After the end of June, however, higher fixed rates will be given to anyone who has not consolidated.

"There is some aggressive marketing going on," said Resech. "Our students are receiving mailings, phone calls and e-mails encouraging them to consolidate with companies that promise 'the best deal.' Our office sought out a resource that could help our students make an informed decision as to what is the best deal for them."

Anyone who is interested in finding out more information on consolidating loans can contact the financial aid office at 232-1363, or they can call the Great Lakes Higher Education Loan Service at (800)-950-0152. Great Lakes also has a Web site with more information at www.mygreatlakes.com

"Great Lakes is the company our lenders work with and so they are the perfect choice," said Resech. "[Great Lakes] has an extensive Web site including a consolidation loan calculator and an online consolidation loan application. And, they have loan experts available to help answer questions on consolidation. We could not have a better resource available for our students and parents. Using Great Lakes will help students and parents see for themselves how much they could save."

Consolidate early and save on intrest:



Alex Van Dree/Stoutonia

One last note from Chancellor Sorensen. Looking for summer reading?

Studying morale to improve campus job quality.

“For the current study, the Morale/Job Satisfaction Task Force completed interviews and focus groups in February and March with 104 randomly selected faculty/staff about their job satisfaction at the University of Wisconsin -Stout. Participants included 20 faculty, 21 instructional academic staff, 23 professional academic staff, 20 classified staff and 20 LTE’s. I would like to thank everyone who took time out of their busy day to participate in these focus groups and interviews. The committee is currently in the process of transcribing the results and analyzing the data. (The transcriptions are being done by students.) They expect to issue a report to the campus summarizing the results in June 2006. The results will be reviewed by the Strategic Planning Group in preparation for the annual summer retreat. Additionally, they will be shared with the campus in a meeting open to all with the opportunity to comment on the report. Results will be used to implement actions to improve job satisfaction at UW-Stout.”

Planning for the summer retreat is well under way.

“The campus Strategic Planning Group is already talking about and preparing for our 2006 summer retreat. Several pre-retreat meetings have been scheduled to review and discuss information and data in alignment with the Focus 2010 planning. Following our established process, we will be bringing campus priority ideas to the all-campus forums in the fall for further discussion and input.”

The Chancellor’s picks for summer reading.

“If you are looking around for some interesting reading, I suggest that you consider the following books. Annie Proulx’s “Close Range: Wyoming Stories” is very good. (Brokeback Mountain is one of the short stories.) “Team of Rivals: The Political Genius of Abraham Lincoln,” by Doris Kearns Goodwin; “At Canaan’s Edge: America in the King Years,” 1965-1968, by Taylor Branch; and “John Hope Franklin’s Mirror to America” are all excellent books.”

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urge the state’s private colleges to be a partner in the covenant, spokesman Matt Canter said Thursday. Doyle so far has discussed the plan with Marquette University, Lawrence University, the Milwaukee School of Engineering and Northland, Beloit and St. Norbert colleges.

The covenant, expected to cost about \$7 million per year from state and private sources, would essentially guarantee a higher education to low-income middle-schoolers who follow through with a signed pledge to get good grades, stay out of trouble and take college-prep courses. Financial aid would come in the form of grants, subsidized loans or work-study jobs.

System staff didn’t include a dollar amount for the covenant in the list of ideas discussed Thursday because Doyle hasn’t said yet how much taxpayer support he will seek for it.

Proposed taxpayer support for the other ideas included:

\$1.9 million to help 1,140 additional non-traditional students around the state finish their degrees online.

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1	1	613 13th Street #8	\$295	\$295	n/a	n/a	Nice location, incl. WSG & hot water, studio	8
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1	1	803 Wilson Avenue #5	\$335	\$335	n/a	n/a	Great location, utilities included, parking	8
1	1	803 Wilson Avenue #2	\$350	\$350	n/a	n/a	Great location, utilities included, parking	8
1	1	1520 1/2 7th Street	\$375	\$375	n/a	n/a	Washer/dryer, garage space, available 8/1/06	D
1	1	421 1/2 13th Ave	\$435	\$435	\$535	\$535	Very nice, great location, storage	D
2	1	1506 1/2 6th Street	\$330	\$165	\$428	\$214	Enclosed front porch, great location	D
2	1	115 West Main Street	\$380	\$190	\$500	\$250	Close to campus and downtown	3
2	1	119 West Main Street #2	\$380	\$190	\$450	\$225	Close to campus and downtown, parking	3
2	1	2121 5th Street #C	\$395	\$198	n/a	n/a	Available 9/1/06, Inc. WSG, washer dryer	4
2	1	603 13th Street #3	\$395	\$198	n/a	n/a	nice location, includes heat WSG	4
2	1	1415 4th Street West	\$410	\$205	\$540	\$270	Gas heat, garge, modern, location, West side	D
2	1	1506 6th Street	\$420	\$210	\$590	\$295	Huge bedrooms, enclosed front porch	D
2	1	421 Wilson Avenue #1	\$495	\$247	n/a	n/a	Inc. heat, WSG, hot water, parking	6
3	1	1503 7th Street	\$570	\$190	n/a	n/a	Close to campus and downtown	H
3	1	321 13th Ave West	\$595	\$198	\$765	\$255	Nice location, off stree parking, washer/dryer	H
3	1	208 13th Avenue West.	\$600	\$200	n/a	n/a	Lrg. Rooms, gas heat, parking	D
3	1	921 Main Street #3	\$600	\$200	\$765	\$255	Good location, parking, economical	4
3	1	147 1/2 Main Street #B	\$780	\$260	n/a	n/a	Inc. Utilities, W/D great location, very large	A
4	1	1120 15th Avenue	\$600	\$150	\$720	\$180	Washer/dryer excellent shape/lrg rooms	D
4	1	1809 6th Street	\$600	\$150	\$810	\$203	Washer/dryer, gas heat, garage	H
4	1	321 13th Avenue West	\$525	\$148	\$765	\$191	Super location, washer/dryer	H
4	1	309 14th Avenue West	\$820	\$205	\$970	\$243	WD good location, gas heat	D
4	1	915 Main Street	\$800	\$200	\$980	\$245	Good location in duplex, parking	D
4	2	1301 9th Street	\$920	\$230	\$1,170	\$293	Beautiful house, garage, location, washer/dryer	H
4	2	1021 8th Street	\$1,000	\$250	\$1,245	\$331	Beautiful house w/decks close to campus W/D	H
5	2	1521 8th Street	\$900	\$180	\$1,145	\$229	Washer/dryer great location	H
5	2	2303 3rd Street	\$1,025	\$205	\$1,305	\$261	Detached garage, large, washer/dryer	H
5	2	1803 7th Street	\$1,000	\$200	\$1,280	\$256	Washer/dryer, parking, good location, large	D
5	2	1708 6th Street #B	\$1,200	\$240	\$1,477	\$289	NEW, Washer/dryer, parking, large bedrooms	D
6	2	221 12th Avenue West	\$900	\$180	n/a	n/a	Big house, nice location	H
6	2	415 13th Avenue West	\$1,050	\$175	\$1,330	\$222	Modern house very lrg. rooms, good location	H
6	2	1603 7th Street	\$1,170	\$195	\$1,450	\$242	Washer/dryer new carpet, very nice	H
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Seniors finally get to keep laptops



Staff Editorial
The Stoutonia Staff

For many students here at the University of Wisconsin-Stout the laptop is their most precious commodity.

It is quite possibly their most valuable material object.

However, after four years, this wondrous item is taken from us, just as it was given.

Until now.

Before they leave, senior

students are given the option to keep their laptops instead of turning them back in.

This being the first year the new laptop give-away program is being put to use, there's no telling if it will stick around or not. But so far, many students

seem very excited and optimistic about the program.

It is important to keep in mind that many students do not own a computer except the one leased to them through UW-Stout. Before this plan came about, students had to shell out their cash for a brand new computer.

This was especially frustrating when students were forced to pay two to three times as much as the cost of

a brand new laptop over four years, only to return it after a limited time.

Most of *The Stoutonia* staff was very pleased to hear that the program was being initiated, and many more wondered why UW-Stout didn't have a program like this in the past.

Other advantages for students who utilize this opportunity would include not having to back up all the information and files al-

ready stored on the laptops and not having to waste time re-formatting documents that may not work on a different computer.

While students should always have their files backed up anyway, it is much less of a hassle to just keep the laptop instead of uploading all that information to a completely new computer, which can be quite time consuming.

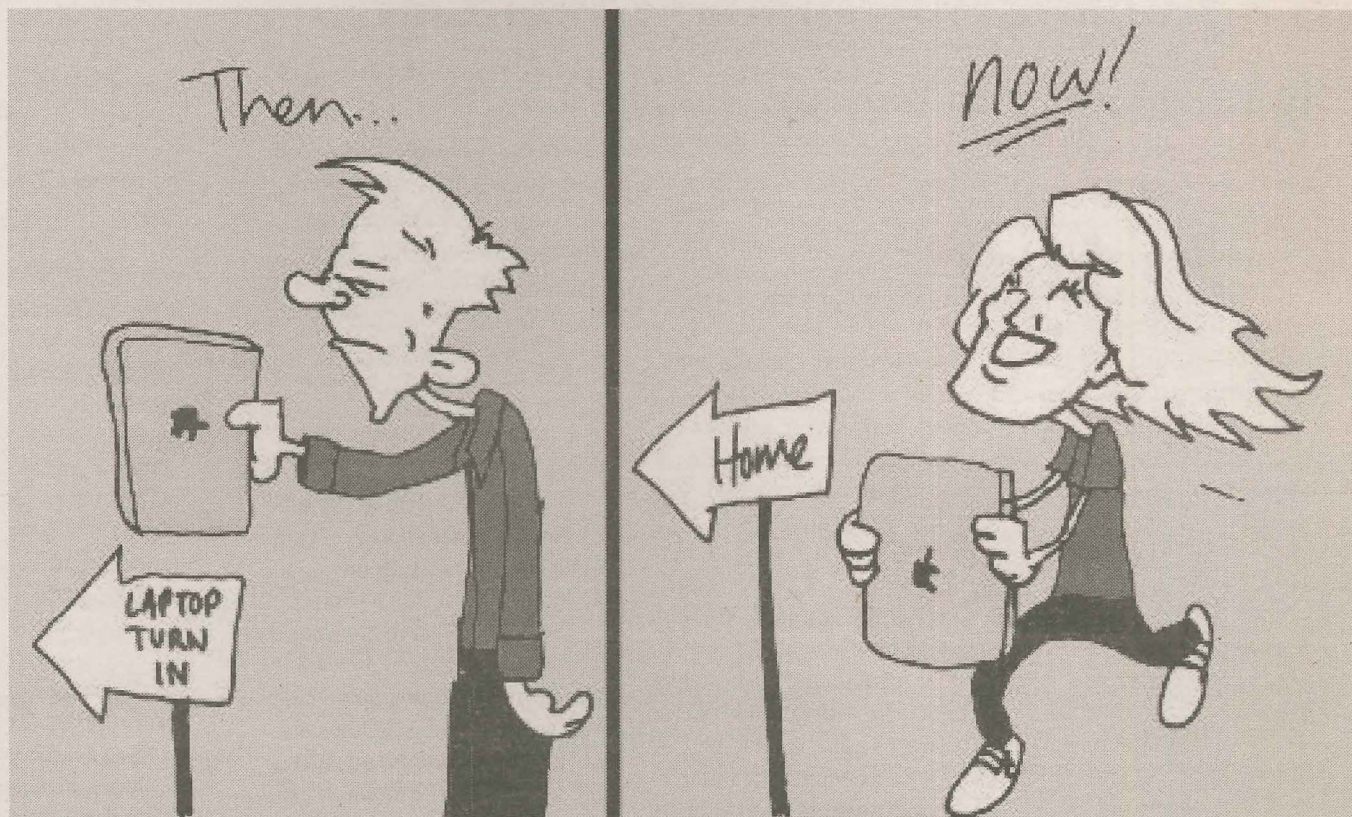
If more and more students realize the benefits of

this program and take advantage of it, it may not just be a temporary opportunity.

If seniors wish to make use of this plan, they can visit Joan Wahl of the Business and Financial Services staff for any questions.

Joan Wahl can be contacted by e-mail at wahlj@uwstout.edu.

Students can sign a contract entitling them to ownership of the laptop, making ownership official.



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Morality, ethics important in election



Michael Graney
Columnist

Recently, I received an e-mail containing a survey from the Republican Party. The survey asked me what I found most important in the upcoming election cycle.

One of the issues regarded morality in government and whether or not that was an issue I would vote on in the fall.

Morality, to me, has close ties to ethical decisions. If one yields to unethical expectations can the actions achieved really be moral?

I know this is a complicated issue with many differing viewpoints on the subject, and each one defines their own morality.

Ethics tend to be broad definitions of methods concerning what is and what isn't permissible to do to achieve goals.

The means for achieving an end are just as important as the end itself.

The ethical oversight committees in Congress are responsible for ensuring basic acceptable behavior by the members of the political machine.

Theoretically, these committees have rules and guidelines to follow for each and every member of Congress.

If violations become apparent, it becomes the job of these ethical committees to decide on the appropriate measures to be taken.

"A truly ethical and moral party would let these issues come to light so they can accept responsibility for their actions."

This action should *not* include waiving rules when convenient.

Unfortunately, the republican controlled House ethics committee did just that when it waived the rules for representative Tom DeLay.

He used his position within the party to avoid the

repercussions of his alleged ethics violations.

Does this sound like an ethical thing to do? Was the party afraid that its majority in the House and Senate would seriously be damaged by the exposure of political scandal?

A truly ethical and moral party would let these issues come to light so they can accept responsibility for their actions.

Strong ethics in government would also ensure a transparency of government, letting

the citizens have the capability to know exactly what is going on and how our elected officials are governing us.

The potential benefits of ousting the corrupted parts of the party that could have been discovered by such an ethics committee would have been profound.

However, we didn't get that. What we got was a basic permissiveness of the whole affair. Basically, it is acceptable to commit unethical actions as long as your political party is in power.

One only has to worry about prosecution of potentially improper actions when your political party isn't in power (i.e. the Clinton impeachment).

I'm not here to pass judgment over anything in particular, but when I'm asked if morality and ethics will play a role in my voting decision this fall, I have to exclaim, "yes!"

I want my government to act ethically, to make all people, wherever they are in the political process or not, to be equal under the law.

Most importantly, when unethical and illegal actions have been committed by anyone who is supposed to be serving citizens of this country, they have to take responsibility and deal with the consequences.

Innocent until proven guilty doesn't mean innocent at all times until the weight of guilt kills one—it means once proven guilty, the perpetrator must pay back society for the harms they caused.

Farewell to UW-Stout Thanks and good luck to all



Shawn Peter
Columnist

It's hard to fathom how short the four years of the college experience really is, yet how that short time can dramatically transform someone into a better person.

The University of Wisconsin-Stout has allowed me to grow considerably in my leadership abilities, strengthen my faith in God, increase my patriotism as an American citizen, understand my core beliefs and, most importantly, become acquainted with some of the best people I've ever met.

My last article for *The Stoutonia* has been in the back of my mind for quite some time. First, I just want to express my appreciation for the strong readership and even the opportunity to meet some of the readers.

When I approached *The Stoutonia* last fall, my main goal was to write well-informed editorials, because sometimes they are lacking in a college newspaper. It is my hope that this was accomplished this past year.

It's been mentioned numerous times that life is a path you take and you decide which direction to go. To me, this has been proven a false analogy because it seems selfish.

I think life instead should be compared to railroad tracks. God chooses the best path ahead of time.

The many people in our life help us lay the tracks, span the bridges and bore tunnels through mountains to help our life train get to its many stops along the way to our final destination.

This seems very true because many of my accomplish-

ments could have never been achieved without some of the great people I've come to know, especially at UW-Stout.

Sometimes I get derailed or go down the wrong track, but great people with the help of God redirect me down the right track.

I want to sincerely thank the many great people that entered my life, my friends and one of my best friends for getting me here. Most importantly, thanks be to God. It's just not possible to do great things on our own.

A few weeks ago, the one and only letter to the editor was submitted in response to one of my articles. The writer wrote that I should focus on playing with my choo-choos.

Well, to that I say, "Damn right, I will."

My life's ambition since I was five has been to go work for the railroad and that's what I intend to do after graduation.

To those that need a job, I highly recommend the rail industry. Railroads are posting record profits and they have more demand now than they've had in fifty years. There is a future in railroads, and that's where I'm headed.

My advice for the future leaders at UW-Stout is simple. Get involved! There are huge opportunities to make a big difference.

True leadership at UW-Stout involves serving fellow classmates and future underclassmen. The best reward is how much of a difference just being in someone's life can make.

Finally, I want to wish the best for my fellow classmates who are graduating to pursue their dreams and ambitions.

It's truly amazing to think that those graduating will leave to become great people in their careers, their communities and hopefully one day become great parents.

Farewell, UW-Stout. I'll never forget this place. God bless.



Tiffany Laschinger
Columnist

Five years ago, as a first semester freshman, I started working at *The Stoutonia* as a reporter. I wanted to get involved on campus, and I love to write. I didn't even know that I would get paid.

Soon I was writing three stories a week for different sections and within a semester, I became the Student Life (Campus) editor. From there, I took on Entertainment editor, layout assistant, Advertising manager and now Production Manager.

The Stoutonia really shaped my college career. After my first two years here, my graphic design major became intense, and my partying days and my social life were over. *The Stoutonia* still remained an important priority.

I have seen many people come and go on staff, and they

have made a very diverse group of people.

Everyone brought something different to the paper, but we all worked well as a team. I will miss our production nights the most because everyone was very candid and fun. Our twelve-plus hours together every week flew by.

School took up the rest of my time. All of my roommates can attest that I didn't see the inside of our house very much unless I needed to sleep. Sometimes it would be a couple days before I came home.

While I gave up a social life to concentrate on my work, I wouldn't change a minute. The University of Wisconsin-Stout gave me a lot of opportunities to practice my creative side.

We have so many great facilities that you could work in almost every medium possible. I will miss having everything I need at my fingertips.

I will definitely miss my professors. There have been so many that have made an impact on my life as an artist. Many opened my eyes to new talents and broadened skills I already

had. I will take all of their lessons with me when I go.

Some instructors pushed me beyond my limits, and I hated it at the time, but it prepared me to push my own limits in this last semester.

By far, this has been my most trying semester. I pushed my body and mind further than I ever have. I gave up sleep and a normal life to show what I have learned these past five years.

I love learning, and I know that I will miss the chance we get to change what we are doing every three months.

Class can be trying and seem like a burden, but it made life interesting. Maybe when I retire I will take art classes again to learn new techniques.

My time at UW-Stout will stay with me forever and I will have many stories to tell. I look forward to starting my career and building a future. I have got one major thing checked off on my list, and now I can move on to complete all of the others.

Thank you, UW-Stout and *The Stoutonia*, and good luck in the future.

Still waiting for my jetpack



Matt Schubbe
Columnist

This was supposed to be the future! Where is my jetpack!?

Not only have I said this outloud at least ten to fifteen times over the course of my short life, but I'm pretty sure it's on a T-shirt now, too.

That being said, it doesn't diminish my need to beg the question again and again: Where is my jetpack? Why haven't they (whoever "they" are) tried inventing something like a personal jetpack yet?

To find out, I first did some independent research, and by that I mean I watched that episode of "Myth Busters" in which they tried to create a jetpack with vacuum motors.

But after watching and, to my disgust, finding the myth

with every ending is a beautiful chance for beginnings.

In such a rush to grow up. In such a hurry to leave.

And now all I want to do is go back to the age of six, when I put on my sister's make-up and wore my mom's dresses and shoes.

So this is it. Not the end of a chapter, the end of a book.

Not the chance to start over, the opportunity to begin.

An empty room. The walls are freshly painted. Yesterday I was a visitor looking at new apartments. Today I have the key.

to be thoroughly busted, I was once again right back where I started: demanding a jetpack from an unsympathetic scientific community.

But wait! After combing the Internet for information I found a compelling lead. A story on CNN.com from a few years back described what seemed to be a step in the right direction.

A company based out of California, called Millennium Jet, had developed in 2002 something they called the Solotrek FXV.

Reading further, I became engrossed in the story of its creation, its complex layout of duct fans and combustion engines.

And even though it was only capable of hovering a few feet above the ground, it still seemed like at least a predecessor to the jetpack I saw in my mind's eye.

But the problem still remained that this was an article from four years ago. I needed some current information.

My eyes jumped to the very bottom of the page, where

related links usually end up, and stopped on a link to the Millennium Jet official Web site. I gleefully clicked it to find: "Error. Not Found."

I was crushed. They (who is this "they" I keep referring to?) dangled a false jetpack in front of my face like a carrot in front of a mule, and for what?

So that I would get my hopes up for nothing and have to start my search anew? Am I destined to remain jetpackless for the remainder of my days, tethered to the ground whilst the clouds mock the distance between us?

Sorry, that was a little dramatic. And to be fair, I'm sure developing a jetpack is certainly not a cheap endeavor, and the company most likely went out of business trying to get their baby to hover more than just a few feet off the ground.

I've started searching again, trying to find out more about this elusive technology, but the fact remains. This was supposed to be the future. Where is my jetpack?

swing dancing, alternative energy, current bills in the house and so much more.

I too am proud to be a conservative republican and Shawn has finally inspired me to finally write in. Thanks Shawn for your dedication and commitment as a proud American citizen and keep inspiring people to speak up for the truth.

As a popular talk show host coined the phrase "Excellence is easy, when it's a way of life."

Joe Westphal

From home to memory



Lindsey Schuld
News Editor

An empty room. The walls are freshly painted. The splatters of red and yellow paint on the old brown carpet are eerily dull. And I stand in the doorway with my last bag of clothes in my hands.

For the past four years, I have called this town my home. It is a place that has introduced me to some of my best friends and allowed me to experience some of my biggest heartaches.

Today it is my home. Tomorrow it is my memory.

Today I will use my key to

lock the door that has welcomed me home so many late nights and early mornings. Tomorrow I will be a stranger, standing on the doorstep without a key.

So this is it.

So this is goodbye.

For four years I have waited. I have dreamt of the day I would get to leave this place that I felt was too small for the person I am.

And now I hesitate at the door. Do I look back? Or do I just wake up and leave? No one has taught me how to say goodbye. Not like this.

Finality courses through every thought and action, and I wonder if I go to sleep and just pretend that tomorrow isn't here yet, if it will mean that it will never be over.

That I will never have to feel the tears build behind my eyes as I remind myself that



Letters to the Editor

Proud republican

I'm just writing to commend Shawn Peter on the great articles he's written for *The Stoutonia* this past school year.

Unfortunately, there hasn't been enough conservative thoughts in *The Stoutonia* and I want to say not only has he done a great job being proud of what he stands for, but he's written great articles on investing,

Three UW-Stout gamers compete in Dallas



Three UW-Stout students attended the Cyberathlete Professional League in Dallas, Texas to compete against gamers from universities around the globe.

Ami Kriho/Stoutonia



Ami Kriho

Entertainment Writer

The Cyberathlete Professional League (CPL) was first founded by Angel Munoz in 1997.

Every year in Dallas, Texas, thousands of gamers gather from across the globe to compete in one of the largest Local Area Network (LAN) parties in the nation or just hang back and watch others take on the action.

Three of those competitors are students from the University of Wisconsin-Stout: Tim Lurvey, a senior in applied science; Colin Pueschner, a junior in retail; and Janis Buikauskis, a sophomore in ITM.

AK: So how did you first get started playing "Counter Strike"?

TL: My hometown, Marshfield, is a pretty boring place.

When "Half Life" and "Counter Strike" came out, it gave me something to do.

CP: In Christmas of 2000, I got a new computer. Soon after, I went to my first LAN party. My friends introduced me to "Counter Strike," and the rest is history.

JB: I started online gaming back in 1997 with "Cyber Strike". Then newer games came out, like "Unreal Tournament," and I started playing those. Then I met Colin in high school, and he introduced me to "Counter Strike."

AK: So how did you guys first get involved with the CPL?

CP: I first got started in the Cyberathlete Amateur League (CAL).

JB: The CAL is a good way to stay competitive year round. There are about three to four seasons per year, and it's all online. No money is involved in the CAL, it's just for fun.

CP: Cheating is a problem

though. Unlike in real life, where you have spectators watching you.

JB: CAL is also very big.

CP: There are a lot of other popular games on it besides "Counter Strike."

TL: I first found out about CPL at a LAN party.

AK: What have been your biggest accomplishments during your trips to the CPL?

CP: The first two years we went were just for fun.

Last year, our third year, I played with my online team that placed 17th-24th out of 128 teams. We were just out of the rankings that were awarded money.

TL: One team we played against was a well-known German team. We won the first round against them, which really surprised us. But then they made their comeback.

CP: Some of the teams are paid to go.

JB: These are the really good teams that play the game nonstop.

AK: Tell me about the server you guys play on.

TL: The server is UW-Chem and is located in Madison. There are about 20 dedicated gamers from UW-Stout that play on it, including us.

JB: I recently donated a gig of RAM to the server. As technology and games keep advancing, it's important to continually keep up with them.

AK: So what are your plans or goals for this year's CPL?

TL: This year we're just go-

ing for the fun of it. We like the road trip too.

CP: We want to enjoy what it has to offer over just the competition.

TL: There are a lot of vendors that sell and give away prizes.

JB: It's really geared towards the spectators, which make up most of the people who go there.

AK: Are there any closing comments you'd like to make?

CP: Well, competitive gaming is getting to be pretty big. MTV has true-life documentaries on it.

TL: People put a lot of time into being a cyberathlete, but it largely goes unappreciated, at least here in the United States.

CP: In other countries, cyberathletes are considered celebrities.

Some even get sponsored by clothing companies to wear their brand of clothes at the competitions.

JB: A lot of funding comes from these types of managers.

CP: Not of a lot of people think that this can be a career. At CPL, the top prize can be around \$60,000.

JB: Add that on top of the other prizes, and you're talking millions of dollars.

TL: There are a lot of tournaments that are branching worldwide.

Not just "Counter Strike," but other games, including console games.

Acoustic Café hosts Eau Claire trio



Chelsea Rickert

Entertainment Editor

Quinn Elizabeth, a three person contemporary folk band, played at the Acoustic Café on Saturday, May 6.

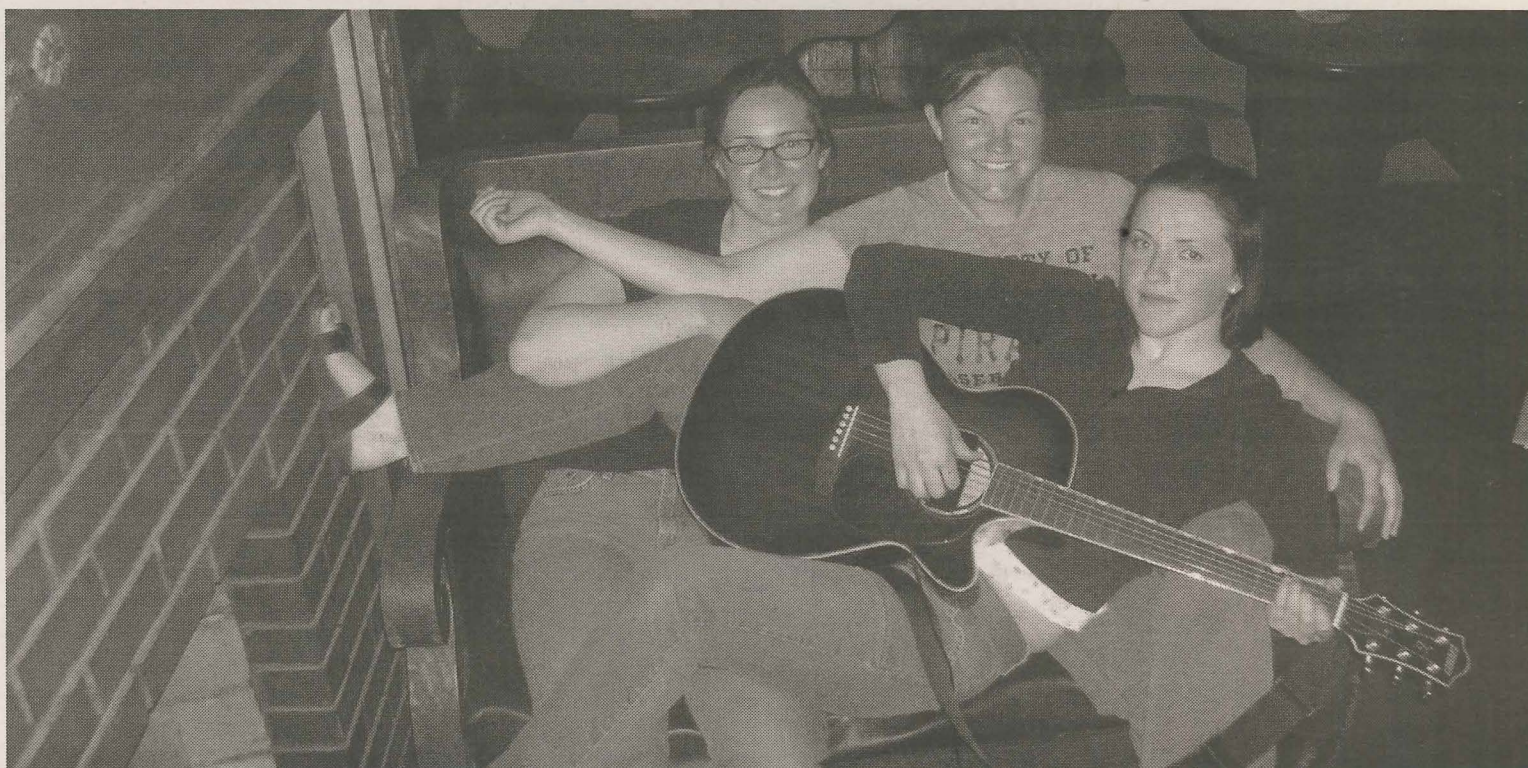
The band is comprised of three sisters from Eau Claire: Elizabeth, the lead singer and guitarist, and Jerrika and Jerissa, who accompanied Elizabeth with the djembe, flutes and backup vocals.

A soulful performance astounded the audience; their powerful voices backed with startling lyrics and soothing drumbeats left listeners in admiration of their ability.

"This is music that describes my soul," said Kayla Stalboerger, a junior majoring in family consumer sciences, after viewing the performance.

Quinn Elizabeth's performance was laidback.

At times the sisters would pause in their performance to converse with the audience, sometimes providing back stories to some of their songs.



Christianson sisters from the band Quinn Elizabeth lounging after their performance at the Acoustic Café last Saturday. Performers from left to right are Jerissa, Jerrika and Elizabeth.

Chelsea Rickert/Stoutonia

For instance, the song "Little Miss" was a tribute to a nameless child whose body was found in the remnants of a '40s fire, the full story of which is detailed in the Stewart O'Nan book, "The Circus Fire."

Despite the damage done from the fire, the dead child's body was somehow unmarred.

"She looked like she was

only sleeping," said Elizabeth before she began her crooning melody.

Their song "Daddy" featured the trio singing in harmony with a haunting flute solo.

The sisters said it was their favorite song because creating it was a joint effort.

"Daddy" was the apex of their performance because of

their sisterly bond and harmony," said Katelyn Filbrandt, a junior majoring in food systems and technology.

The three musicians are self-taught and formed their group three years ago. At first, Elizabeth tried a solo career.

When Jerrika and Jerissa attended their first drum circle and fell in love with it, they

joined Elizabeth's act to form Quinn Elizabeth.

Quinn Elizabeth's next performance is scheduled for June 15 at the House of Rock in Eau Claire. The band hopes to have an album out by the end of summer. As far as future endeavors concerning fame, their goal is simple: "We want our music to be heard."

Cannon doesn't cut it

Lackluster improv sketch show fails to humor



Matt Schubbe

Entertainment Writer

So for whatever reason this week (the last paper of the year, for those that don't know), my editor decided to give me an interesting subject as the topic of my column.

Now, based on what the topic is, he's either trying to challenge me as a writer or is just maniacally toying with me in the hopes of getting some kind of end of the year "jollies."

Either way, this week I was asked to watch a show, or even a couple of shows, that I would never consider watching normally.

Needless to say, it may or may not have been detrimental to my health, depending on how you look at it. But I suppose they say 'whatever doesn't kill you makes you stronger.' Here goes...

In accordance with this assignment, a few days ago I hunkered down to watch "Wild 'N Out." For the uninitiated, "Wild 'N Out" is a show developed and hosted by "comedic" actor Nick Cannon. Notice the quotes on the word comedic; they'll come into play later on.

The program is an improv comedy/sketch show, but in all honesty, it's pretty much "Whose Line is it Anyway?" with more street cred. Many of the improv games done on "Wild 'N Out" even have direct parallels to the aforementioned show, "Whose Line..." making it feel even more like a retread.

Each week, Cannon and his

troupe of comedians are split into two teams to compete in various games and challenges. The show's DJ D-reck keeps score and declares a winner at the conclusion of each episode.

The problem I have with this show isn't the material. Although it's derivative of other similar or even better shows, there are only so many improv comedy games that translate well into television. What really bugs me is that Nick Cannon thinks he's much funnier than he actually is.

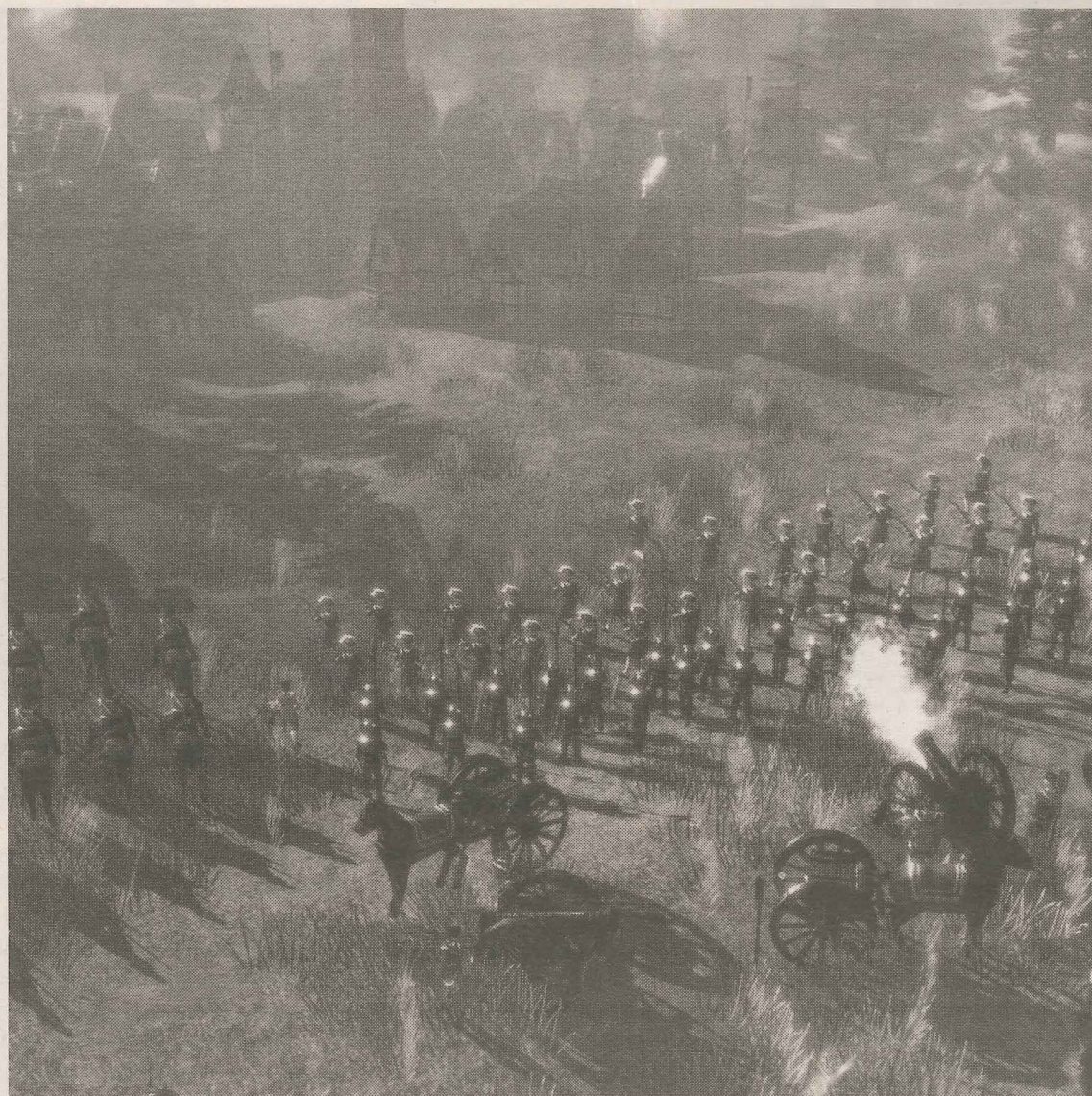
Can any of you think of a time in your life (aside from trying to be ironic) that you've honestly said, "Boy, that Nick Cannon, he sure is a laugh riot." I can't. From his uninspired beginnings on Nickelodeon to his string of terrible movies, I can't think of anything that sets him apart as being particularly funny.

Before actually watching a complete episode of the show, I'd seen bits and pieces of it here and there. Cannon does a sketch at every show opening to set the tone for the show, and each is a clunker. Needless to say, a show helmed by an unfunny ringmaster is destined to wallow in the "no chuckle" zone.

Fronted by someone other than the "Carson Daily of comedy," the show might almost MAYBE be slightly tolerable. Right now it's just a bunch of hams mugging for the camera while Cannon sits back with a smug smile on his face while he counts bills.

My editor shouldn't make me watch shows that I wouldn't normally consider watching. Based on my brief liaison with "Wild 'N Out," I'm pretty sure this is how ulcers start.

No class? Get your game on



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Staging a battle for the game Rise of Nations 2: Rise of Legends, due for release in May. Gain power and wage war in this real-time strategy game for the PC.

By Ellen Schuetz

Entertainment Writer

Magnetica

Nintendo DS's "Magnetica," due for release on June 5, is a puzzle game which uses marbles that wind in a twisting pattern on the lower screen.

A certain colored marble shows up in the center of the screen that must be shot at the other marbles.

When three or more marbles of the same color in a row are shot, they disappear.

This is a newer version of the 1998 arcade game called "Puzzloop."

The game relies on the use of the stylus and makes good use of the dual screens.

Samurai Champloo: Sidetracked

Playstation 2 will release "Samurai Champloo: Sidetracked"

on April 11. This action game is based on the hit anime series that currently airs on Cartoon Network's Adult Swim.

The graphics stay true to the look of the characters from the anime.

You can choose from the two main characters and also a third secret fighter.

Mugen has a break-dancing style of fighting and Jin uses Bushido.

Each of the characters follows the same plot, but they arrive at places at different times, so you get a different perspective.

The combat system is unique from other samurai games because it uses the hip-hop music, which runs throughout the series.

Rise of Nations 2: Rise of Legends

"Rise of Nations 2: Rise of Legends" will be released for PC

in May. This is a real-time strategy game in the RoN series.

Unlike its predecessor, this game does not take place in real cities.

Instead, it is fantasy-based and filled with mythical creatures, machinery and magic.

The game has three playable races which all play quite differently.

A strong unit on your side might not correspond with a unit on the other team; they're all different in strength and abilities.

Gain power by becoming a military power, taking over strategic locations and gathering wealth and resources.

If you are the leader in one of these areas you will have access to special powers.

This game has a skirmish mode, world domination mode and of course, a story-based campaign.

No time for love, Dr. Jones...

...but there's always
time to pick up
The Stoutonia!



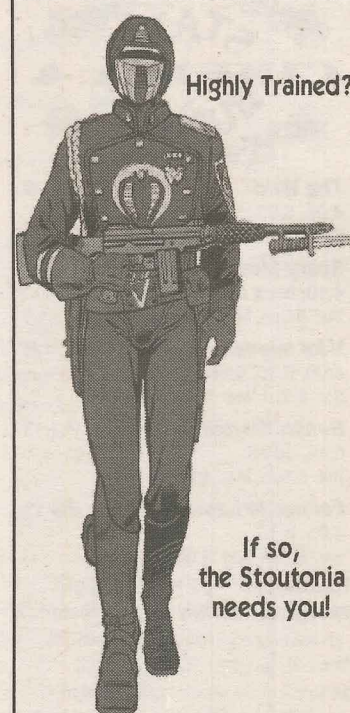
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>Highway 53 Revisited, House of Rock, 7 p.m., Free.
>The Midwest, The Mousetrap, 10 p.m., Free.
>Peter Phippen, Fischer's on the Green, 7 p.m., Free.
>Campus Night, Jericho's, 5 p.m., \$3.

Friday, May 12

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>Minus 3 + Forever Tomorrow, Mr. Heavy's, 11 p.m., Free.
>White Iron Band + Hobo Nephews of Uncle Frank, Stones Throw, 9 p.m., \$6.
>Modern Society, The Mousetrap, 10 p.m., Free.
>Skeeter Lewis, Klassix, 8 p.m., Free.
>Live Jazz, Shanghai Bistro, 6:30 p.m., Free.

Saturday, May 13

>Drunk Drivers + The Belles of Skin City + Fame, House of Rock, 10 p.m., \$5.
>T.U.G.G., The Mousetrap, 10 p.m., Free.
>Contradiction, Tailgates, 9:30 p.m., \$2.

Sunday, May 14

>Deathtrap, Mabel Tainter, 2 p.m., \$13.

Monday, May 15

>No Scheduled Events

Tuesday, May 16

>SAE Mini-Baja, Fryklund 114, 6 p.m., Free.

Wednesday, May 17

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Thursday, May 18

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The season of entertainment



Jarrod Burns and William Butchee

Entertainment Writers

Since this summer will be full of awful piece-of-crap movies, we are making you a guide suggesting what's worth watching each month and what isn't.

MAY

Theaters

"Poseidon." This remake—which looks quite boring—was made possible by all you dummies that made "Titanic" a blockbuster.

Thanks for nothing; try not to buy tickets to this Hollywood hype.

"The Da Vinci Code." Tom Hanks runs around Rome with an awesome haircut. Bible conspiracy theorists beware.

"X-men III: The Last Stand." Third in the series, this sequel has a new director on board.

It will probably be as equally entertaining as the previous two X-Men films.

DVD

"Munich." Ever wonder how governments get revenge? This is the dramatic story of the retaliation following the Munich terrorist executions of Israeli athletes.



Source: media.filmforce.ign.com

"X-Men III" introduces more of the familiar comic book characters, including Angel, an airborne, winged mutant. The third movie in the saga is due for release in May.

"The Ringer." This tasteless comedy had some bad reviews, but any movie that stars the mentally handicapped is okay in our book.

"BloodRayne: Unrated Director's Cut." Uwe Boll, the Ed Wood of the 21st century, has done zombies and monsters, and now he does vampires. Although guaranteed to make you laugh, this movie is only worth a rental.

JUNE

Theaters

"The Break Up." Vince Vaughn, being the comedic genius he is, may be able to make this romantic comedy tolerable for guys, too.

"Typhoon." This action film straight from South Korea might give the movie "Hard Boiled" a run for its money.

"Cars." Looks like it could be Pixar's first mistake. The bubble shaped car characters look like they could interest only the youngest of toddlers. I'd pass on this one.

"Nacho Libre." From the creator of Napoleon Dynamite, this movie is sure to be funny and likely to be rammed down your throat by everyone who sees it. You may as well be among the first.

"Fast and Furious: Tokyo Drift." Because one crappy sequel isn't enough to make import/car racing fanatics jealous.

DVD

"Running Scared." We missed "Running Scared" in theaters, but we will be sure to check out this gritty action drama on DVD.

"Sarah Silverman: Jesus is Magic." If you haven't seen Sarah Silverman's stand up performance, this film will plunge you right into her unforgiving and offensive comic style.

"Walker Texas Ranger Season 1." Chuck Norris may be a good basis for jokes, but his work on this series is a joke by itself.

DVD sales will likely be highest in the rural areas of the home state of this show.

JULY

Theaters

"A Scanner Darkly." Richard Linklater finally puts the animated real life style to good use in this futuristic Philip K. Dick adaptation.

"Miami Vice." Michael Mann revisits the show that made him famous by directing this update of the '80s show.

In a way, this could be "Collateral 2." This is going to good.

DVD

"The Matador." Pierce Brosnan plays a hit man as a grim parody of his James Bond character.

Compared to the last few "Bond" movies, this might actually be good.

"Tsotsi." The story of a South African gang leader that actually has a heart to care for an

abandoned kid is definitely worth a gander.

"Road House." If you haven't noticed, Patrick Swayze hasn't been doing too much lately.

Help the guy out by adding these films to your collection. Sure they suck, but at least you can laugh at them.

AUGUST

Theaters

"World Trade Center." Nicolas Cage survives the destruction of the World Trade Center in this drama based on the true story of John McLoughlin and William J. Jimeno, the last two survivors extracted from ground zero.

This might actually turn into an insult later on...

"Snakes on a Plane." This is a story about an assassin who releases a crate full of poisonous snakes in-flight over the Pacific Ocean in order to kill a passenger.

Just remember, Samuel L. Jackson actually wanted to star in the movie.

"Clerks II." The long awaited sequel to the trash talking "Clerks" will now feature color and actors who've aged a decade. Kevin Smith hasn't disappointed yet.

"Beerfest." This is the next film from the makers of "Super Troopers" and "Club Dread."

In this comedy, some guys go to Germany and discover an underground Beer Games ring. Looks like Broken Lizard's downward spiral continues.

DVD

"V for Vendetta." The Wachowski siblings finally redeem themselves as idea thieves by getting this visually stunning comic book adaptation made. Definitely worth owning.

"The Sentinel." Similar to "The Sum of All Fears" in the fact that there is a spoiler in the commercial, this intriguing drama sort of mimics the TV show, "24."

"Larry the Cable Guy: Health Inspector." Larry the Cable Guy cannot also be a health inspector.

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Students involved with research

By Renee Currington
Campus Writer

This year, students and faculty at the University of Wisconsin-Stout have unveiled yet another unique variety of research projects.

The fruits of a semester's hard work filled the Great Hall in the Memorial Student Center at the Research Day Conference on Thursday, May 4.

What caught the attention of many was the exhibit of pottery that had been fired in a microwave. Did you know that the same microwave oven you use to nuke your food can melt just about any kind of metal or even glass? It can be done, and it only takes about 10-15 minutes. (Don't try this at home.)

"Most people believe you can't put metal in a microwave," said Malika Ahmed Abdul Hai, a sophomore in applied science. "We put the metal inside brick and other insulating materials to minimize the sparking."

Another eye-catching display was the environmentally-friendly Aveda cosmetic packaging, which was designed by a group of students in the Consumer Packaging Systems course taught by instructor Claire Sand.

"There were a lot of guys in the class, so we had to do a lot of research," said Joseph Ertl, a packaging senior. "[Aveda] is looking for natural aesthetics."

The group displayed several prototypes made of various cardboards and plastics, all of

which are completely recyclable. In particular, a seashell-shaped container was made of medical woven plastic.

Exhibits featuring pottery firing, Legacy Chocolates and the 2006 Italian Packaging Technology Paper were chosen as favorites by the audience. However, two other impressive research projects won awards.

Sujatha Gudala, Shweta Kumari and Suvash Kafley won an award for their graduate research on antioxidants in green tea.

In their poster presentation, the group compared the amount of antioxidants in the caffeinated and decaffeinated green tea of three brands.

"It was interesting to find that Bigalow was the only brand that has more antioxidants in the decaffeinated green tea than in the caffeinated tea," said Gudala.

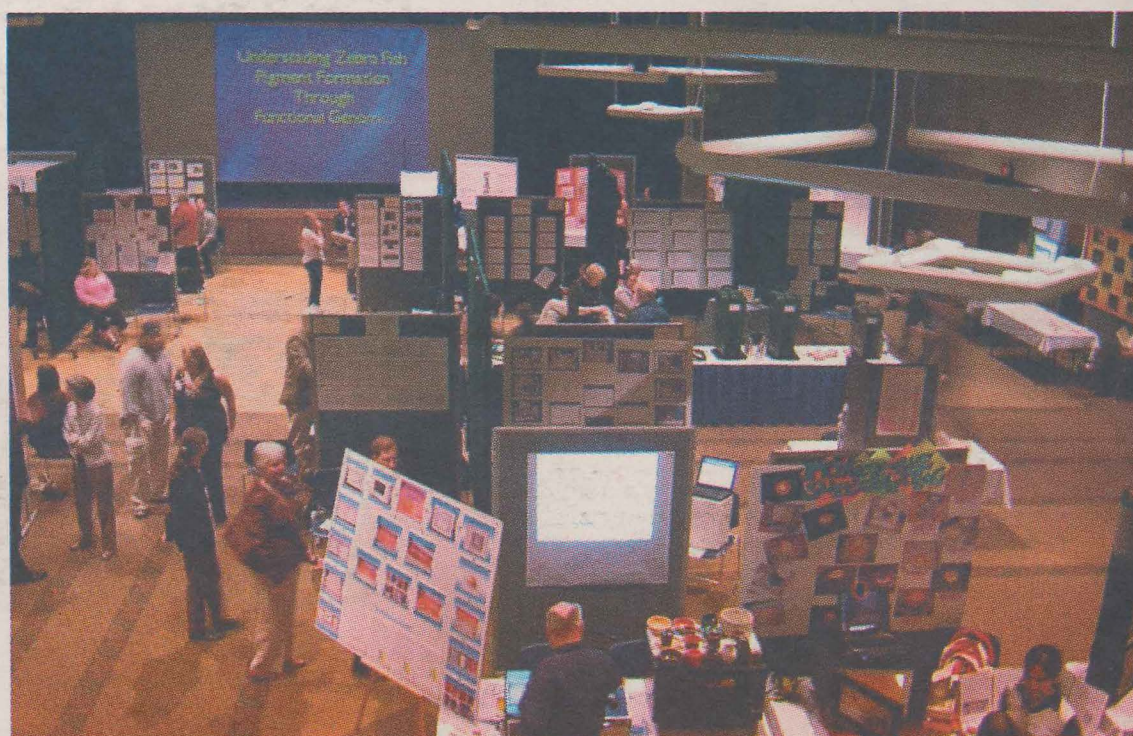
Antioxidants are powerful anti-carcinogens, which help ward off cancer.

"Antioxidants are 100 times more effective [against cancer] than vitamin C and 25 times more effective than vitamin A," said Kafley.

Who would have guessed that experimenting with the color of zebra fish could lead to helping us improve our health?

Up until recently, researchers have focused on using mammals such as mice and chimpanzees to learn more about human genes in hopes of finding cures for genetic diseases. Recently, research on zebrafish has shown to be very promising.

"We can get a lot more data



Source: Submitted by Liubov Samsonova

The students and professors came together at the Research Day Conference to present their research results on Thursday, May 4. It was held in the Great Hall in the Memorial Student Center.

in a shorter amount of time [using zebrafish]," said Tiffany Hoage, an applied science senior who completed the project for her advanced biology experience course.

Hoage explained in her presentation that zebrafish are more ideal for research because they are very inexpensive, easy to maintain and grow quickly.

Each week, one female zebrafish can produce more than 100 embryos at a time that develop in approximately two days.

Researchers can observe the zebrafish life cycle from birth to adulthood in a relatively short amount of time and see results of testing far

sooner than in mammals.

Zebrafish are also prime research candidates because the sequence of their DNA is remarkably similar to that of humans. Through learning how chemicals affect zebrafish, researchers can learn more about how those chemicals might affect a human.

Hoage won Research Day awards for her poster presentation and her oral presentation on her undergraduate research, which she says is also part of her thesis work.

Becky Valaske and Shweta Kumari assisted in collecting data, and the project was supported by the UW-Stout Student

Research Fund Grant.

"I would like to see more interdisciplinary student teams to develop these research projects," said Michael Pickart, Hoage's research advisor who has a doctorate in psychology and is a professor of biology.

Pickart hopes that through strong collaboration among UW-system faculty, UW-Stout students will gain access to more resources for identifying genes and their function. Access to these resources could create opportunities for pharmaceutical research, which has never been done at UW-Stout.

Homemade delights for your sweet tooth

By Amanda Schroeder
Campus Writer

Are you ever just craving something a little extra after dinner?

"Dessert, whether fruit or chocolate, is a good ending to any dinner," said Jennifer Hannum, a senior in art education and studio art.

That is exactly what dessert means. The word comes from the Old French word *desservir*, which means to clear the table. And this turned into the American word dessert.

Desserts can be made up of many different things including fruits, chocolate and even breads. Any way desserts are prepared, they are always best homemade.

Instead of the same old boxed desserts or things you can buy in the store, try making your own desserts. They taste better and you can control the quality of ingredients and make them as healthy or unhealthy as you want.

"It's better to have one marvelous dessert than to binge on crap," said Hannum.

So, try some of these delicious homemade delights next time your sweet tooth hits.

Hershey's "Perfectly Chocolate" Chocolate Cake

This decadent dessert is pretty easy to prepare and will impress your friends with its presentation. It will also cure anyone's craving for chocolate. Serve with a tall glass of ice cold milk. This recipe is from the Hershey test kitchens.

2 cups white sugar
1 3/4 cups flour
3/4 cup Hershey's cocoa
1 1/2 teaspoons baking soda
1 1/2 teaspoons baking powder
1 teaspoon salt
2 eggs
1 cup milk
1/2 cup vegetable oil
2 teaspoons vanilla extract
1 cup boiling water

1/2 cup butter
2/3 cup Hershey's cocoa powder
3 cups confectioners' sugar
1/3 cup milk
1 teaspoon vanilla extract

1. Heat oven to 350 degrees. Grease and flour two 9-inch round pans.
2. Stir together the sugar, flour, cocoa, soda, baking powder and salt in a large bowl. Add eggs, milk, oil, and vanilla; mix on medium speed for 2 minutes. Stir in boiling water and pour batter into prepared pans.
3. Bake for 30 minutes or until a toothpick inserted in the center comes out clean. Cool 10 minutes and remove from pans onto a wire rack. Cool completely and frost.
4. For the frosting: melt the butter, stir in the cocoa. Alternately add the sugar and the milk, beating to spreading consistency. Add additional milk if needed. Stir in the vanilla.

Easy Banana Cream Pie Bites

This is a really simple recipe that is great for parties because it is easy to eat. What your guests won't know is that it is also really easy to make. Feel free to make different flavors using different puddings such as chocolate cream or pistachio. Or to make it really fancy, use a cream cheese pie filling.

2 Roll-out refrigerated pie crusts
2 bananas
1 package banana cream pudding

2 cups milk
Whipped cream for topping

1. Preheat oven to 450 degrees. Roll out the pie crusts and cut into 2 to 3 inch circles, depending on the size of your mini muffin pan.
2. Press dough circles into the pan and prick with a fork. Bake in preheated oven for about 5 minutes or until lightly browned. Allow crusts to cool. Remove crusts from pan.
3. Slice banana and place one slice in the bottom of each mini crust. Prepare pudding by mixing packaged pudding with the milk. Let set in the refrigerator for about 10 minutes then place dollops of pudding into the crusts.
4. Top with whipped cream and a quarter of a slice of a banana.

Honeysuckle Pineapple

Try this healthy dessert the next time you are grilling out or make it indoors on a grill pan. Feel free to substitute one teaspoon of vanilla for the brandy. This dessert has less than 90 calories per serving, but it doesn't taste like it. This recipe is from www.allrecipes.com.

4 slices fresh pineapple
1 1/2 tablespoons honey
2 tablespoons cherry brandy
1 teaspoon lemon juice

1. Mix together the honey, brandy, and lemon juice; add the pineapple slices and coat well. Marinate in a covered dish in the refrigerator for one hour.
2. Preheat grill to medium heat and lightly oil the grate.
3. Remove pineapple from dish and place on grill. Grill for about ten minutes, turning once, until the pineapple is hot and caramelized.

A note of closure



Renee Currington
Columnist

After seven years at a total of four institutions, I am finally ready to graduate.

I've never been what you would call a traditional student. My employment and college ex-

perience has really run the gamut. something better, and as someone with quite an array of college experiences, it's been interesting to compare institutions.

I am extremely satisfied with the instructors at UW-Stout. I look back on work I did as a freshman and can't believe how much I've learned. I went from being overly anxious about returning to the workforce (after dealing with the recession) to being confident enough to be sure I will find a job.

Through all of the valuable experiences I've had here, there have

ing, but if there is still a problem, we need to use our creativity to find a solution. However, funding is only part of the problem.

Places like the library and certain labs are closed a lot during the weekends. We can say that funding doesn't allow them to stay open, but it's how we choose to use our funding that affects resource availability.

Some instructors have implied that the hours these resources are available is chosen based on when most students like to party.

I understand perfectly well that we live in a democratic society—a free country. But the students who utilize these resources the most are often not the students at those parties.

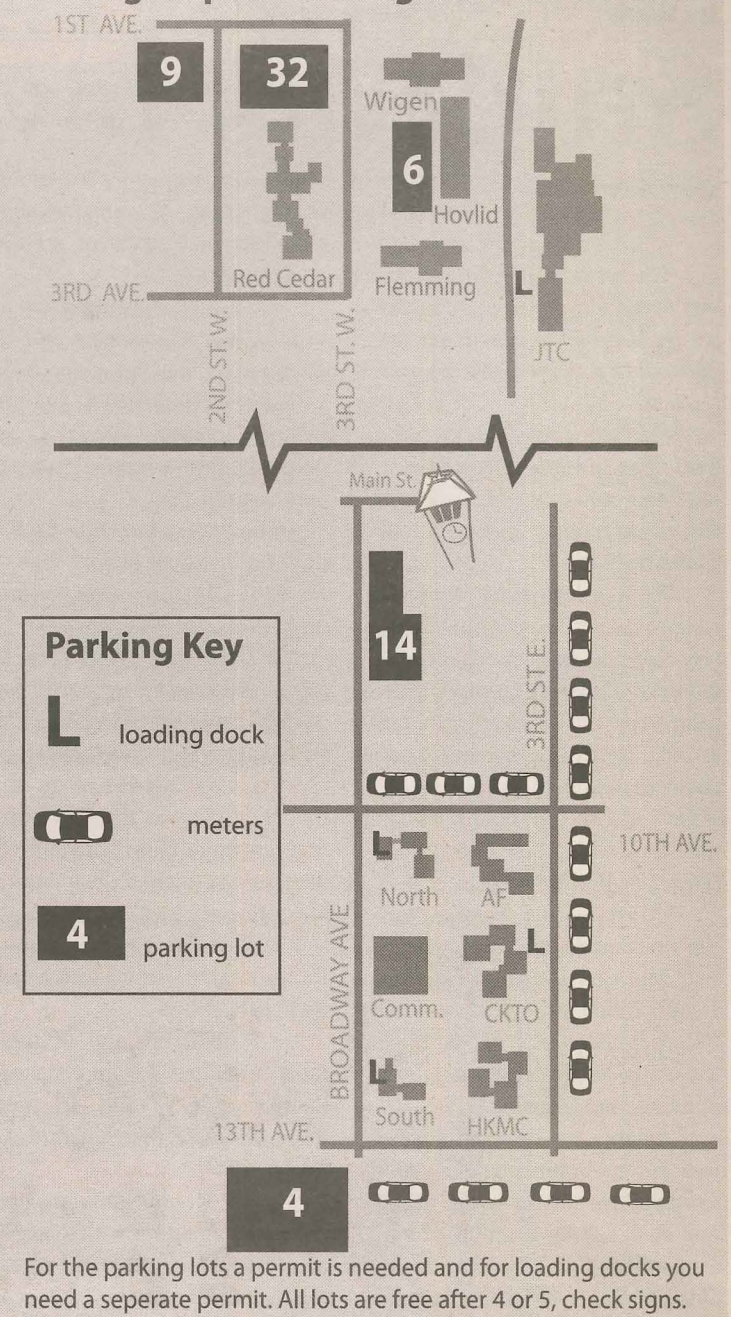
Honor students are a small percentage of the student population but have limits imposed on them based on the number of students who spend less time on their studies. Perfectionists and hard workers are inhibited, and students who have full time jobs to pay their bills or who have families may often be barred from opportunities to be more successful.

I commend UW-Stout's efforts to draw in a diverse range of students. Just during the time that I've been here, I've seen more discussion of the important, yet elusive topic of diversity.

But once the student population becomes more diverse, the school has to take into account that different people have different values and needs. We have to use our creativity to find ways to accommodate students' needs without taking resources away from others.

Recognizing the resource needs of students who are not in the majority helps us retain a diverse student population, helps more students succeed and also contributes to the overall success of the university.

Parking Map for Moving Out of the Dorms



Renee Currington/Stoutonia

Currington is graduating Magna Cum Laude on Saturday, May 13 with a bachelor's degree in technical communication.

perience has really run the gamut.

I've been to technical college, I studied abroad in Germany and I attended one other college in the University of Wisconsin-System before I decided to devote three and a half years as a full time student at the University of Wisconsin-Stout.

Changing schools has been a way of life for me ever since preschool, and I've never attended any institution of learning longer than I've attended UW-Stout.

I am always looking for

been times when I thought about leaving UW-Stout.

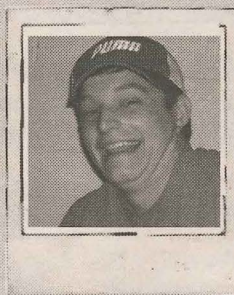
College shouldn't be easy; if it was, it wouldn't be a very respectable accomplishment. I have found that college is all about dedication and learning to find and use resources.

It's one thing to have the resources at an institution, but there isn't much value in having resources if they are not readily accessible.

I understand that access to resources such as the library and labs depends a great deal on fund-

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Jordan "Goose" Chaffee
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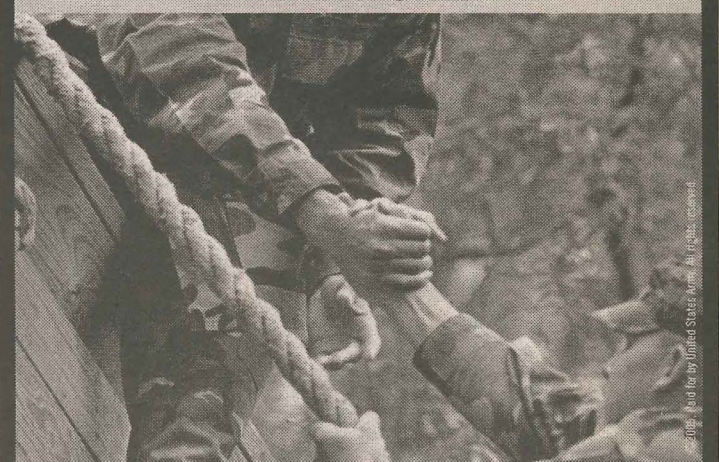
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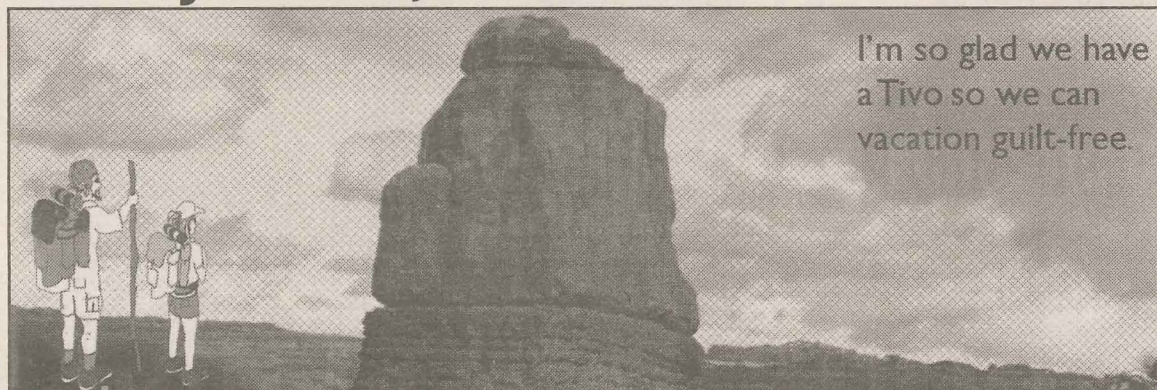
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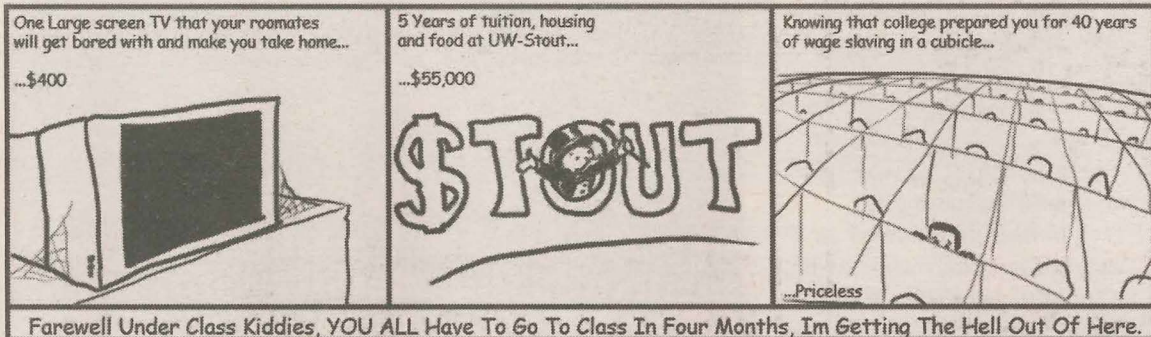
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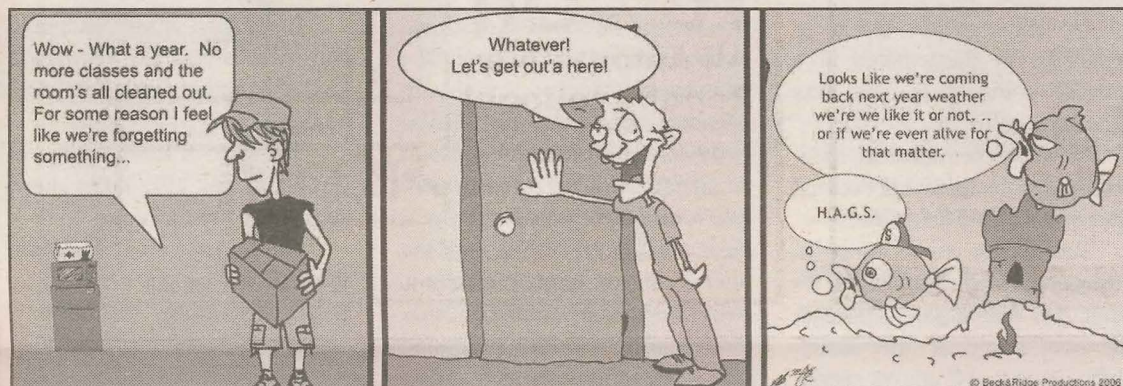
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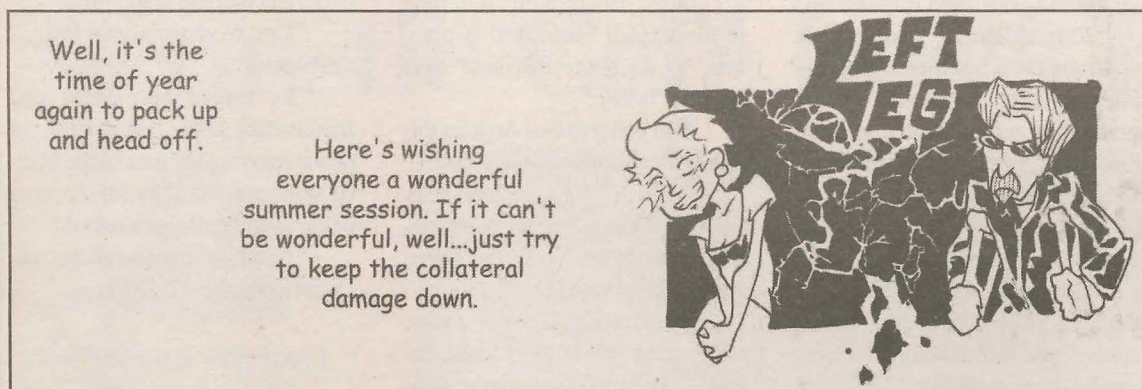
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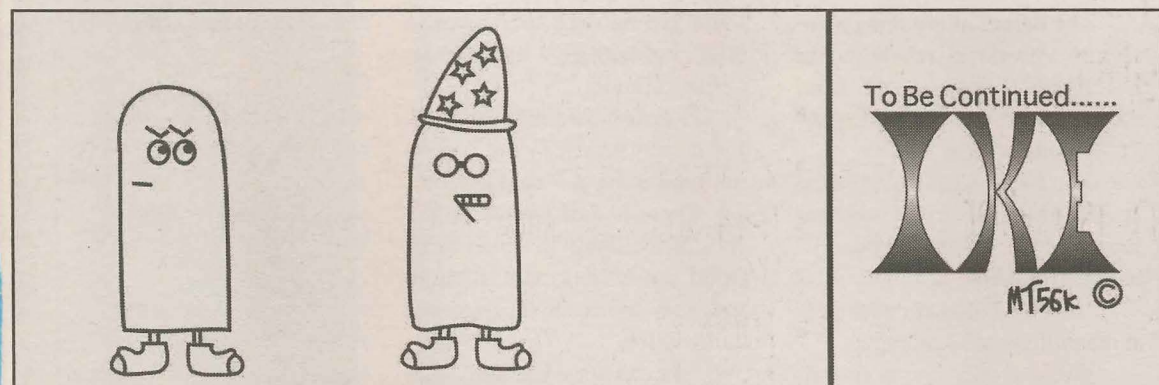
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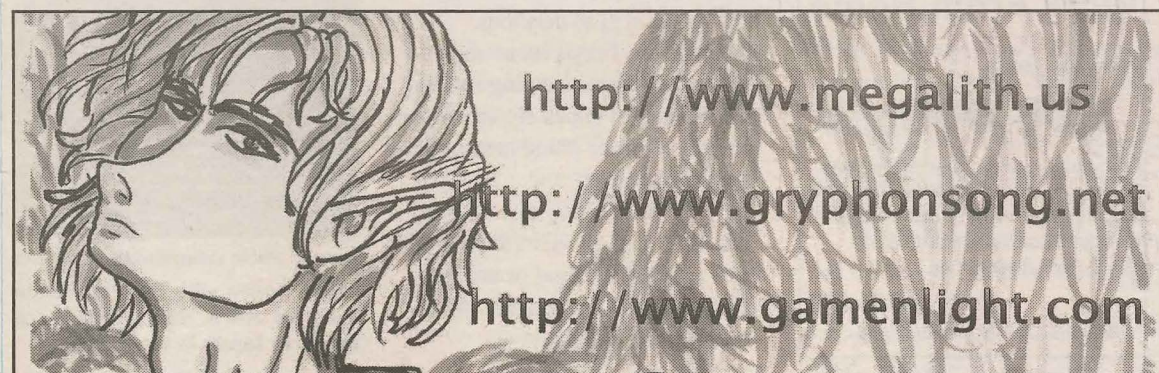
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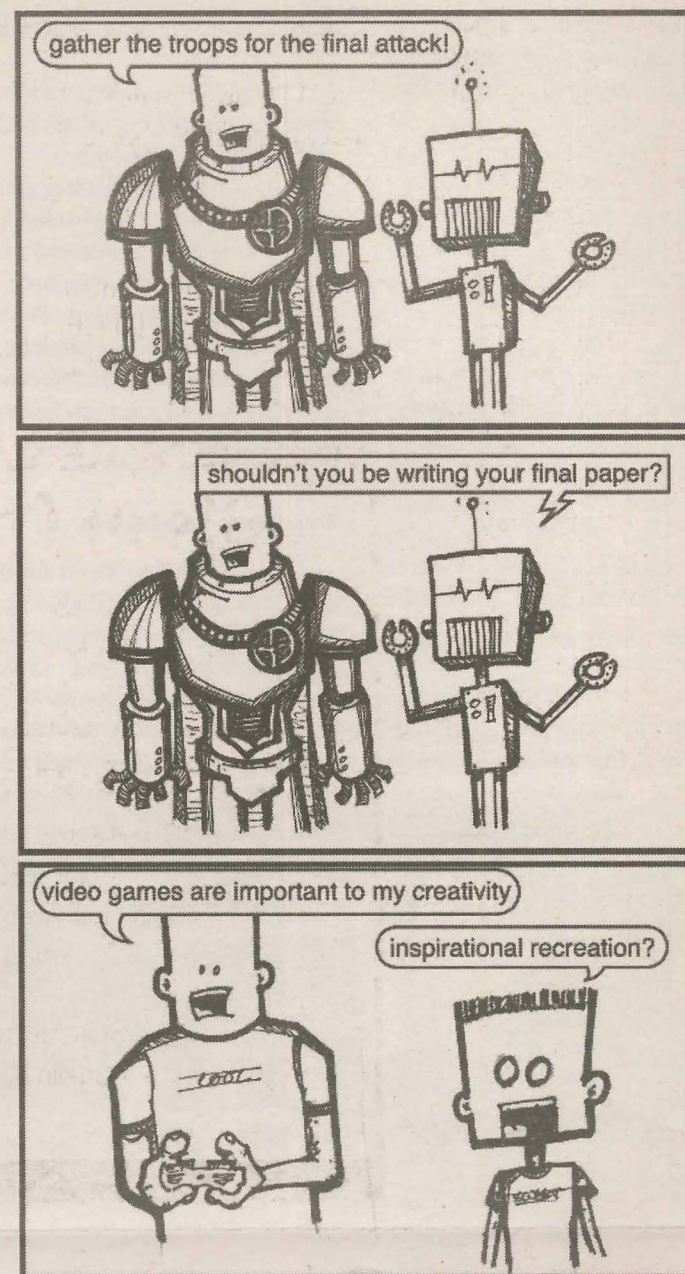
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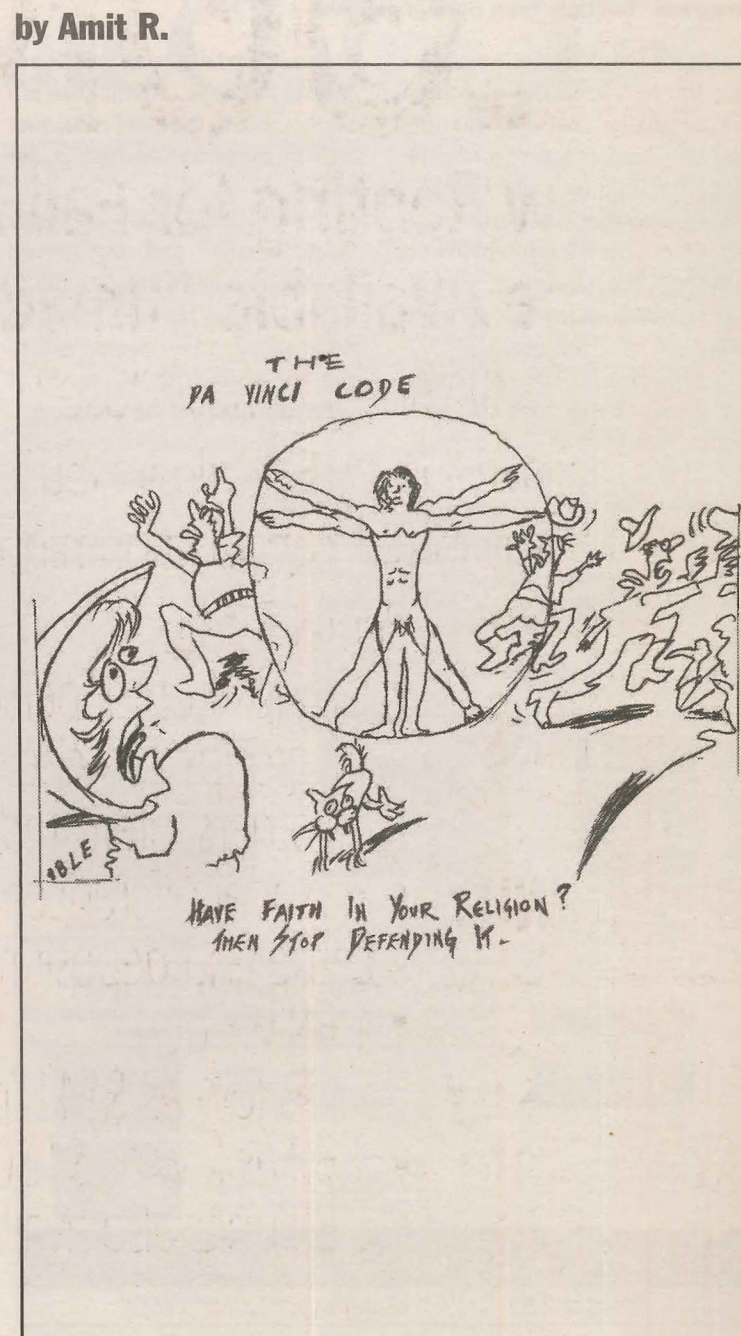
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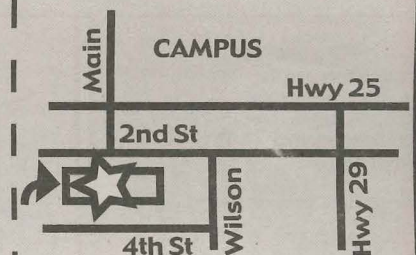
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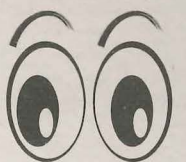
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Softball gains experience

By Casey Nold
Sports Writer

The University of Wisconsin-Stout hosted the WIAC softball tournament May 5 and 6 at Wakanda Park. The Blue Devils had a rough end to this season of softball.

UW-Stout won the conference tournament last year, gaining entrance into the NCAA championship, and this year they were eliminated in the first round.

This is a big change in one year's time, but since this year's team was half new faces and half return players, there were a lot of adjustments that needed to be made.

"This year we had a very young team, and it's something that we can overcome but takes time just playing together and having more experience," said sophomore Savannah Oeltjen, majoring in graphic design. "In the beginning of the year we were lacking communication, but as our season progressed we improved tremendously."

UW-Eau Claire went on to win the tournament and received the NCAA Division III automatic bid.

Even though the girls had

a rough end to the season, they feel that next year will be better for them now that they have an idea of what it's like to play well together.

"Next year I think we can do great things! The freshman and I have now had one year of experience which will help us next year," said freshman Tara Donahou, studying retail and merchandising management.

"I think that we just need to refine our mistakes and just keep working hard. I know we have the talent to go far; we just need to believe in ourselves that we can do it and give it all we got."

Next year the team will lose two key senior players Megan Donley and Courtney Zafft. But the team still shows hope that next year they can come even closer together and work to achieve higher goals.

This may be Megan Donley's last year, but she sure went out with a bang. In Florida, at the beginning of the season, she suffered a gall bladder attack and had to overcome surgery to continue to lead her team.

Megan has been awarded the 2006 Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (WIAC) Judy Kruckman Women's Softball Scholar-Athlete.

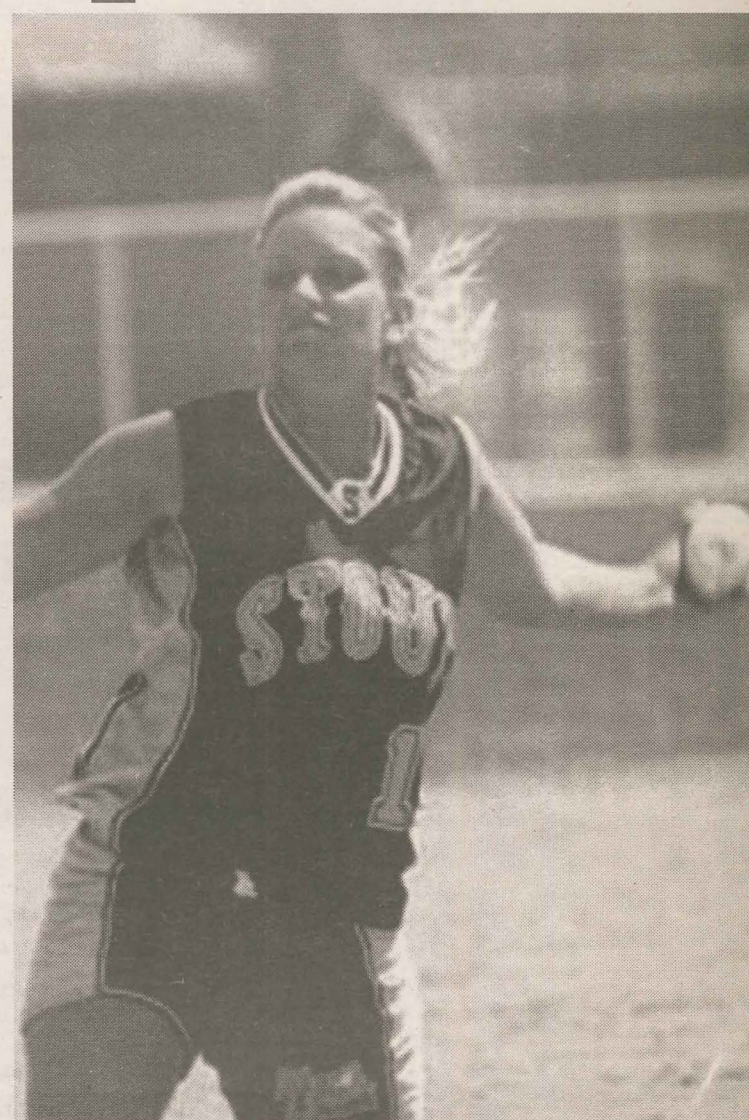
Megan is studying business administration here at UW-Stout and has accomplished many things in order to be given this award.

The requirements for this award are that a student must have a minimum 3.25 grade point average, have competed for a minimum of two years and be in their last year of competition or be scheduled to graduate.

Last year Donley received a UW-Stout Foundation Scholarship. She is a three time member of the WIAC Scholastic Honor Roll and seven time Chancellor's Award winner here at UW-Stout.

In 2003 she was named Rookie of the Year. She earned honorable mentions and Co-Most Valuable Player in 2004. In 2005 she was named the team's Super-Sub and this year she received all-WIAC honorable mention.

While accomplishing that, she has been an important part in leading her team. Congratulations to Megan Donley. It will be sad for the girls of the softball team to watch Megan go, but with much effort they will all strive to match the accomplishments that Megan has left for them to reach.



Courtesy: Sports information

The softball team did not win as many games as hoped, but the new faces on the team saw a lot of action on the diamond. The team will take the experience into the offseason and prepare for next season.

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Support sports



Wesley Simonis
Sports Writer

If you can't be an athlete, be an athletic supporter.

Usually that phrase does nothing but conjure up giggles from the back row, but it's something I've tried to spread to the University of Wisconsin-Stout community during my tenure in the sports department.

Athletics at any level are a way of life. They represent your city, state, university and even your country. We gloat when our teams win and are embarrassed when they lose, but most importantly, the true fans always remain loyal.

Being a sports writer at *The Stoutonia* has shown me a lot of things about our athletic community. It has also allowed me to keep an eye on other universities and compare them to UW-Stout.

First off, UW-Stout is gifted

with a great group of athletes in nearly every sport, and I'm not just saying that to give the higher powers a warm fuzzy feeling. I've had the privilege to cover countless conference championships, playoff victories and many winning seasons.

It also has shown me a lot about our fans who, while loyal, don't seem as large in number as in previous years.

Football and basketball seem to draw good crowds, but I encourage you to try a soccer game or gymnastics meet. Getting strong support across the board is what helps create dynasties. Student athletes will want to attend a university that has large crowds at its events.

• My goal as a sports writer was to challenge my readers. I wanted to make you aware of upcoming events and teams who were performing well. Many people at this campus probably couldn't say what the football team's record was last fall, or who the starting point guard for the women's basketball team is, and that needs to change.

For those of you who don't attend Blue Devil sporting

events, I challenge you to try it out. It is something every UW-Stout student should do before they graduate.

On the administrative side of things, I think more can be done to attract fans to these events. The implementation of a mascot in association with our cheer and dance squads to rally fans is a simple move that would yield huge results.

If you've ever been to Madison, you would know how fans young and old rush to see Bucky the Badger. His presence during halftime shows, pre-games and those crucial moments give crowds that extra boost of energy needed at sporting events.

I realize Madison has a bigger draw, but the idea is the same: to get people excited to come to the game.

No matter where I end up I will always keep an eye on UW-Stout. Not the latest programs available or who's teaching classes but the athletics and the fans. I want to see the winning traditions continue and the fans to always be there regardless of the outcome. Last but not least: Go Blue Devils!



Courtesy: Sports Information

UW-Stout is full of gifted athletes who participate in a variety of sports. While football and basketball still get large crowds, more students should also try soccer and baseball games to rally teams.

STOUTONIA'S Athlete OF THE Week

Seth Maier Baseball



The Facts:

Junior
Park Falls, Wisc.
General Business

*Batted .448 in a 10
game span, hitting two
homeruns and driving in
14 RBI*

The Blue Devil baseball team's fire was fueled by junior Seth Maier as he was a key factor in leading the team to a record of 4-3 on the week.

Maier's performances offensively were nothing short of perfection. He batted .448 on the week scoring 10 runs and 14 RBI.

The University of Wisconsin Oshkosh has probably seen enough of Maier; he batted .500 against the Titans in a four game series.

One of his two home runs for the week was a grand slam to lock up a 15-9 win.

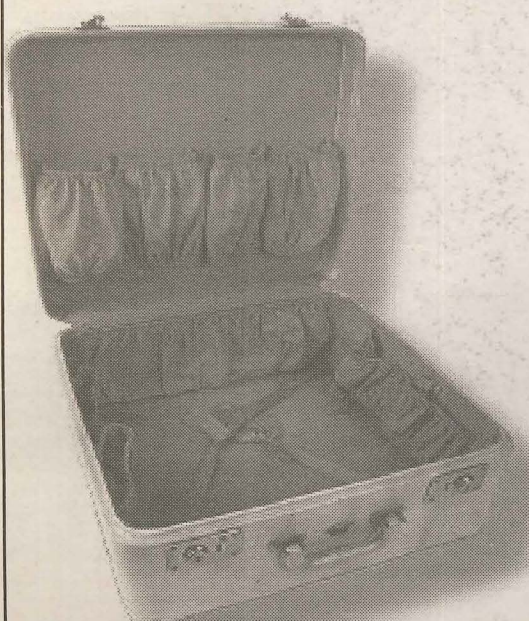
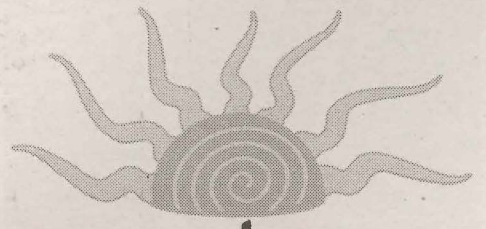
Overall, Maier had two doubles, a triple, four games with multiple hits and five

games with multiple RBI. He currently leads the team in batting with an average of .385, eight home runs and 45 RBI.

Maier was selected Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Conference position player of the week.

The baseball team had a slow start to the season but has clawed back to .500 in the Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic conference at 11-11.

The team has won four of the last seven games, taking two off the Titans, sweeping Northland College and losing to Viterbo as the season draws to a close.

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Blue Devil Scoreboard



Baseball (16-21)

The baseball team lost to Viterbo University 10-4 on May 7

Men's Track & Field (7th)

UW-Stout took seventh in the WIAC Championships at UW-Oshkosh



Women's Track & Field (8th)

UW-Stout took eighth in the WIAC Championships at UW-Oshkosh



Softball (8-29)

The softball team lost to UW-River Falls in the first round of the WIAC tournament 10-0



Making Waves



Courtesy: Sports Information

With warmer weather arriving, the UW-Stout waterski team will be out on Lake Menomin getting ready for upcoming events. The team has had a lot of success over the past years but still encourages new recruits to be a part of the club. The team competes in multiple events.

By Casey Nold
Sports Writer

Calm water, a boat, skis, some towing rope and no fear are the perfect recipe for waterskiing.

In the beginning, waterskiing was just some crazy old guy's way to have some fun, but now it is a nationally recognized sport that is practiced at the University of Wisconsin-Stout.

That crazy old guy was Minnesotan Ralph Samuelson. In 1922 he got the idea that gliding across the open water on a pair of skis behind a motor boat would be absolutely exhilarating.

Not many years passed, and by the 1930s waterskiing became an exhibition sport

practiced across the globe.

It takes a lot of guts and preparation to learn the tricks of waterskiing. There are many different stunts and styles of waterskiing that test what people think they can do on the water.

Slalom skiing, practiced on a course, is a way to test skills on the water.

The course consists of buoys set eight feet apart with another six buoys prearranged as guidelines for the boat driver.

The boat driver must keep at a specified speed as straight as possible through the buoys while the skier zigzags around the buoys. The idea was derived from downhill slalom skiing.

To add to the excitement of waterskiing, various forms of trick skiing have developed. This is done by a skier removing one ski and holding it above

his/her head while throwing in a few side slides. Lately, trick skiers are known for their toehold-tricks. Toe-holds require a special harness that is used to hold the rope with a foot as the skier performs step-overs, jumps and even flips.

A list of tricks the skier plans to perform must be turned in before competition. Points are awarded for the number and degree of tricks. Two trick runs are allowed, and the performer has 20 seconds to perform.

Jump is a very exciting event in the water ski world. Jump usually consists of ramps made of wooden rollers that the skiers must jump over.

The jump ramp is adjustable from 2 1/2 to 5 1/2 feet. The maximum boat speed, for safety precautions, is 36 mph.

Ski flying has derived from

jumping and is much more dangerous. The boat speed is increased and the skiers can fly up to 300 feet. Freestyle jumping is also becoming very popular and is much more difficult.

Gutsier skiers have even tried bare-footing. While it sounds so simple, applying tricks, jumps and wake slalom can be very difficult and very dangerous. The skier is forced to face faster speeds and, in certain competitions, use different equipment.

Waterskiing is an exciting sport and would be a great way to spend your summer.

All of this crazy activity goes on at UW-Stout. It is an amazing sport to watch, so come cheer on your fellow students. Or heck, get crazy and join the team!

